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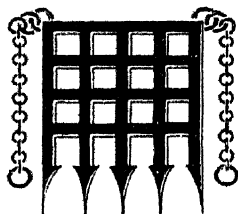
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1439 - 1509

BIOGRAPHIES

AN INTRODUCTION

This is the introduction to the first of three volumes which deal with Parliament from 1439 to 1509. It covers that turbulent period of English history which extends from the eclipse of Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, to the settled, stable accession of Henry VIII. On the whole it marked a long decline in the power of Parliament and a corresponding rise in the centralised power of the King and the King's Ministers—of the executive. But that decline was rather in the powers of the Upper House (still the real Parliament) than in the Commons. Feudalism died or became subservient to the Court; but the country gentlemen, the Justices of the Peace, the merchant princes—their House of Commons—increased in power at least relatively, and became established. The desire arose for a seat in the House, if only to secure access to the fount of patronage. Fresh Parliamentary boroughs were created to meet the demand, and the control of boroughs and their representation became an object both with magnates and with officials. The authority of Parliament waned; the status of the member waxed. The type of member changed as the competition for a seat became more keen. That contact between Ministers and Commons which is essential to democracy made its appearance; but Ministers did not like Parliament and Parliament did not like Ministers. In the end Ministers nearly had their way and Parliament was within an ace of death. But it was the Ministers who died, Empson and Dudley; for by 1509 Parliament had entrenched itself among County and City; while Ministers had no army nor police save as the County found them—no loans nor cash save as the City could discover—no protection save the Crown.

All this it will be the business of these three volumes to illustrate, record or deduce.

This first volume gives the lives of the Members of the Commons House, so that one may see who each really was and what authority each held. The next volume will give the Lists and analyses of all Members of both Houses in each successive Parliament, with brief identification—offices, party, age, constituency and experience. The third volume will analyse the preceding volumes, and make deductions

covering the whole field of political development and action throughout the century. Knowledge of the personnel is essential to knowledge of the working of the institution. The institution illustrated is not merely the Commons, nor Parliament, nor democracy, but the whole government of a people.

Parliament did not then sit continuously ; during most of the time no Parliament was in existence. It was called together for a few short sessions when those who ruled wanted it—sometimes to provide money, but, as often, to share the blame of some unpleasant piece of work, or to give glamour and legality to a new Government. The destruction of Humphrey of Gloucester (1447) was easy, but a Parliament was summoned ; the odium of the peace with France had also to be shouldered (1449) ; Jack Cade dead, required another Parliament to clear up the affair, but that Parliament was not one of the Government's happy ideas (1450) ; Yorkists on top after St. Albans, required a Parliament at once (1455) ; Lancastrians on top after Ludford, required a Parliament to attain Yorkists (1459). Once this method of attainder had been found so simple, and Parliament so useful thereat, then the summoning of Parliament grew in frequency and the importance of using Parliament grew in the estimation of Ministers and Crown. After Northampton another Parliament, 1460-1 ; after Towton another, 1461-2—indeed, after each revolution or change of Government. Parliament could also pass bills and make laws—for example, Acts of Resumption which deprived discarded Ministers of their perquisites, and Acts dealing with exports and imports and aliens and currency—of an intelligence comparable with modern statutes of the same sort. It dealt also with private Acts concerning family settlements, and group Acts concerning those in the wool trade, or concerning Yorkshire.

But the last four Parliaments of Henry VII were widely spaced, the pulse nearly stopped—1491-2, 1495, 1497, 1504, 1510. No more need to share blame, no more revolutions, no one left to attain, and a young upstart M.P. called Thomas More (now St. Thomas) positively upsetting the plans of a Cardinal ! Henry VII would have no more Parliaments.

In these seventy years, a Parliament was summoned to meet 29 times altogether. Each time some 270 Members were elected (or should one say returned ?) to Parliament. Each time the country loved it—the excitement, the news, the trip to town, the gossip and the exaggerations. Just a few, chiefly Ministers, did the work ; the others visited the Court, the Chancery, the Exchequer—and Southwark. They rode up on horseback, 35 miles a day, in parties of a dozen or so, with a servant apiece, often on foot. They met, mostly standing, in some painted chamber in the Palace of Westminster, chose a Speaker, found cousins

and old friends, collected into little groups with common interests. Perhaps the young lawyer from Bridgwater drew up the petition or bill for one group, someone else did it for another party or committee. They all sought and sometimes paid for the assistance of Mr. Bayen, the Under Clerk of Parliament, and were cursed into order and seemliness by Siddle the serjeant-at-arms in attendance on Mr. Speaker. They buttonholed the Controller of the Household, and bored the Under Treasurer of England with their ideas on finance. They mixed ; they talked ; they petitioned ; they made public opinion. Then, when the Commons had decided anything, the Speaker conducted a group over to the Parliament Chamber proper, bowed obsequiously before lords and lawyers, and spoke what he thought the Commons wanted him to say, modified by a regard for what he could wisely say in his own interest. After a few weeks, when they had had enough of town and talk and bills, and wanted to go home, they were not allowed to go until they had voted a subsidy of half a tenth and a fifteenth, which they did on the last day. Then Parliament was prorogued or dissolved, and the Members had spent an enjoyable time. Half a dozen of them went back escheators or controllers of customs, and another half dozen had collected a promise of bailiwick or keepership, and yet others had put through a useful job for their clients or their town, of which they may have been the recorder, or mayor, or just the lord's steward. Generally they returned somewhat uncomfortably, feeling that the story they had to tell would not be well received. Most grievances would be unredressed, most promises unfulfilled ; and there was often that subsidy into which they had been jockeyed. . . . Those who were resident in their boroughs had to report to their electors. It was not for nothing that the French of the 15th century called the English the "Goddams".

Sometimes they came back very quietly, far from pleased that they had gone—rather anxious indeed to forget it, and still more anxious that others should. Christmas in 1459, 1460 and 1470 was a worrying return home for the fathers of families ; the wisest had probably found excuse to stop at home, for lands and lives and jobs were in jeopardy.

But year after year Ministry and country met and mixed on equal terms as those must who want something from each other. They also found things out. No newspapers, no broadcasting, no political speeches—only the wildest rumours each way—all this must have left governments ignorant of peoples and peoples ignorant of governments to a degree beyond modern conception. Only in England did a meeting of Parliament "tell each other". All the grievances, all the alarms, were told, not in public but in private. In England the executive was more helpless than, but not so ignorant as, on the Continent. The English had more grievances, but at least they could tell the executive

about that villainous escheator in Staffordshire and that swindling customer at Plymouth. Parliament heard of the private civil war between Percy and Nevill in Yorkshire, between Bonville and Courtenay in Devon, of the squabble between bishop and citizens at Norwich or Salisbury, of the strikes of tenants and the riots of townfolk. The Duke of Norfolk might even hear that Debenham was going a bit too far, or the story about Dame Knyvet in her castle. Parliament *qua* Parliament could not *do* much, but the safety valve was open.

Who were these people who created democracy and hope ?

NUMBER OF BIOGRAPHIES AND MEMBERS

This volume contains such biographies as are possible of the 2,600 men known to have been elected to the Commons House between 1439 and 1509, in some one or more of twenty-nine Parliaments summoned during that period.

But perhaps 3,800 men in all were elected to these Parliaments, for the names of those elected to many Parliaments are still lost. From a large variety of sources (indicated in the Lists volume) we have recovered names of many "missing" members, but the list of missing still stands as follows :—

<i>Parliament.</i>			<i>Probable No. of M.P.s elected.</i>	<i>Names known.</i>	<i>Names missing.</i>
1439-40	..	..	264	108	156
1442	..	..	268	268	0
1445-6	..	..	268	122	146
1447 (Bury Parliament)	..		272	272	0
1449 (Jan.)	..	..	276	274	2
1449-50	..	..	278	272	6
1450-1	..	..	280	268	12
1453-4	..	..	286	278	8
1455-6	..	..	286	204	82
1459 (Parliament of Devils)	..		250 ?	167	83 ?
1460-1*	..	..	290	164	126
1461-2	..	..	288	78	210
1463-5	..	..	292	74	218
1467-8	..	..	294	280	14
1469†	..	..	150 ?	28	122 ?
1470-1 (Readeption Parliament)			295	118	177
1472-5	..	..	295	283	12

* We now have evidence that this Parliament was not dissolved in Dec. 1460, but met again in Jan. 1461. It was probably never dissolved by authority, but came to an end automatically on the accession of the new King on 4 March 1461.

† This Parliament, summoned by Warwick, was countermanded and never met, but some members were elected.

<i>Parliament.</i>	<i>Probable No. of M.P.s elected.</i>	<i>Names known.</i>	<i>Names missing.</i>
1478	295	291	4
1483 (Jan.)	296	120	176
1483 (June)*	296	30	266
1483 (Oct.)†	150 ?	19	131 ?
1484	296	117	179
1485-6	296	86	210
1487	296	81	215
1489-90	296	73	223
1491-2	296	294	2
1495	296	112	184
1497	296	70	226
1504	296	68	228
Total	8,037	4,619	3,418

Of course many names "missing" will be those of M.P.s who sat in other Parliaments and whose biographies are recorded. Each M.P. averaged somewhat over two Parliaments. Making this allowance, there should be 3,800 different M.P.s and 3,800 biographies, instead of 2,600, for the seventy years between 1439 and the accession of Henry VIII. Nevertheless in our 2,600 we have a fair sample of the 15th century rulers—from a Duke of Norfolk and a dozen barons to graziers and manufacturers—from Treasurers and Under Treasurers of England to pirates and alchemists—from mayors of London to bailiffs of Poole and the keeper of the coney on the lawn at Clarendon.

THE CONSTITUENCIES

All English counties, except Cheshire and Durham, returned two members throughout (74). The City of London returned four. The following 93 cities and boroughs returned two each in 1442 and presumably in 1439 :—Bedford ; Reading and Wallingford ; Wycombe ; Cambridge ; Bodmin, Helston, Launceston (Dunheved), Liskeard, Lostwithiel and Truro ; Carlisle ; Derby ; Barnstaple, Dartmouth, Exeter, Plympton, Tavistock and Totnes ; Bridport, Dorchester, Lyme Regis, Melcombe Regis, Shaftesbury, Wareham and Weymouth ; Colchester and Maldon ; Bristol and Gloucester ; Portsmouth, Southampton and Winchester ; Hereford and Leominster ; Huntingdon ; Canterbury and Rochester ; Leicester ; Grimsby and Lincoln ;

* This Parliament, countermanded but countermanded too late, actually met, but no Speaker was elected.

† This Parliament, summoned in Oct. 1483, was countermanded on 2 Nov. 1483, but certainly a good many members were elected.

King's Lynn, Norwich and Great Yarmouth ; Northampton ; Newcastle ; Nottingham ; Oxford ; Bridgnorth and Shrewsbury ; Bath, Bridgwater, Taunton and Wells ; Stafford and Newcastle-under-Lyme ; Dunwich and Ipswich ; Bletchingley, Guildford, Reigate and Southwark ; Arundel, Chichester, East Grinstead, Horsham, Lewes, Midhurst and Shoreham ; Warwick ; Appleby ; Bedwin, Calne, Chippenham, Cricklade, Devizes, Ludgershall, Malmesbury, Marlborough, Old Sarum, Salisbury and Wilton ; Worcester ; Hull, Scarborough and York ; and the Cinque Ports—Dover, Hastings, Hythe, Romney, Rye, Sandwich and Winchelsea.

By 1491 (and probably in 1504 also) the following additional boroughs were returning two members each :—Plymouth ; Downton ; Windsor ; Wootton Bassett ; Hindon ; Westbury ; Heytesbury ; Gatton ; Coventry ; Poole ; Bramber ; Steyning ; Ludlow ; Grantham ; Stamford ; Wenlock. Five of these were small Wiltshire boroughs, so that Wiltshire returned in all 34 members to each of the Parliaments 1455 to 1540, more than all England north of the Wash. In 1460 (and probably only then) Farnham, the seat of the Bishop of Winchester, returned two members. Possibly in 1495, and certainly by 1529, the following boroughs were also returning members :—Buckingham, Newport in Launceston, Lancaster, Preston, Thetford, Berwick and Orford.

LENGTH AND SCOPE OF THE BIOGRAPHIES

To bring within reasonable compass a volume containing 2,600 biographies must involve severe compression and cramp style. We have abandoned the narrative method, merely summarised the public life, and curtailed the average biography to 150 words apiece—even so 400,000 words of text !

About two per cent. of these M.P.s are untraced. Absence of any contemporary local records accounts for most of these "undiscovered", but some may be imaginary dummies, some may be errors of the sheriff's clerk as to christian name, some names are very faint or half obliterated and may have been misread. To a further four per cent. we have but two or three possible references, or just that the surname is known to be local ; at least the identification is inadequate. While maintaining the average at 150 words, this allows of longer biographies for many ministers, officials and adventurers.

FOOTNOTES AND REFERENCES

In the *Dictionary of National Biography* a narrative style was adopted, particular references were inserted within brackets in the text,

and a list of the authorities consulted was given as a footnote at the end of each biography. For obvious reasons a different method, more on the lines of the *Complete Peerage*, has had to be adopted in this work.

The footnotes are intended to give the evidence on which the text is based, and to add personal touches which would be out of place in the narrative. Wills, for instance, have been summarised and are often relegated to the notes ; extracts from MS. sources (such as Pardon Rolls, or some contemporary comment) are treated in the same way. But the main purpose of the footnote is to give the authority for statements made and dates given.

WHERE NO REFERENCE OR AUTHORITY IS GIVEN

When the authority is obvious, space has been saved by omission. For sheriffs and escheators the appropriate List issued by the Public Record Office is the obvious authority. Where a knighthood is dated exactly, Shaw's *Knights of England* (well indexed) may be understood. Where a man is described as an elector in any constituency for any year, the reference is clearly to the Sheriffs' Returns to that Parliament. Where ages or exact dates of birth or death are given, the relevant Inquest *post mortem* must be taken for granted. Any "pardon" may be found in the Pardon Roll of that date. These sources are in MS. at the Public Record Office and can be traced from the context. But a far more serious authority has also been omitted from the footnotes. Quite half the material for these biographies is taken from the printed *Calendars of Patent Rolls*. The first of the *Calendars* used here was published in 1897, the last in 1916. It is no exaggeration to say that all County, Borough or Family histories published before the Patent Rolls were published were unreliable and are now obsolete. To give the *Cal. Pat. Roll* reference to each statement drawn therefrom would double our footnote space. Where, therefore, any date is unreferenced, the relevant *Cal. Pat. Roll* volume which includes that year must be understood as authority for the statement. Each volume of *Calendars* is well indexed, so that reference is easy.

THE SOURCES CONSULTED

No classified list of the books and MSS. consulted for these biographies is given. The footnote references must suffice. Most "sources" have been searched for any reference to the names of any M.P. ; county and local histories or MS. records have been searched for the local M.P.s only. All such authorities vary in reliability for date and fact ; they vary all the way from contemporary Chancery Rolls to those Heralds' Visitations which enshrine 150 years of pious family recollection ; from the rumour and gossip of the *Paston Letters*, to the latest piece of

exact genealogical research. Obviously there must be judgment used in assessing relative authority where there is conflict of statement ; but in the absence of good authority, we have to take the second best.

BIOGRAPHIES ARE DEDUCTIONS FROM DOUBTFUL REFERENCES

Biographies of the 15th century men must be deductions, and cannot be sure statements of certain fact. The more discoveries we make in this limitless field, the nearer our guesses will be to the truth. But there is and can be no certainty and no finality.

For instance, some sixty of the men dealt with in this volume are also to be found in the *Dict. Nat. Biog.*¹ These earlier biographies were written by sound scholars, but they were written fifty years ago, and need re-writing with present day knowledge. It is as unfair to criticize them as it would be to compare the map of Africa today with one drawn up fifty years ago. And these 2,600 biographies will be equally obsolete fifty years from now ; indeed they may for many reasons be more open to criticism.

NEW SOURCES AND COLLECTIVE SEARCH

It is not that new sources of information have been dug up at some Jerash or Tel el Amarna, or will be dug up during the next fifty years. Our " finds " are all safe to hand ; they always have been in the Public Record Office or in countless municipal and private muniment rooms or chests. They are there for the taking, but not 1 per cent. have ever found their way into print, or been searched for information about persons. Who would look for a needle in a haystack ? It is here that collective research has had the advantage. We were looking for 2,600

¹ Biographies of the following are in the *Dict. Nat. Biog.* :—

Geo. Ashby	Sir John Howard	Sir Robt. Sheffield
Sir Ralf Assheton	Sir Thos. Howard	Dr. John Somerseth
Sir Thos. Billing	Sir Wm. Hussey	Sir Humph. Stafford
Sir Walter Blount	Sir Thos. Lovell	Sir Thos. Stanley
William Burley	Sir Geo. Lumley	Sir James Strangways
Will. Canynges	Sir Thos. Mallory	Sir Wm. Tailboys
Will. Catesby	Sir Robt. Manners	Thos. Thorpe
Hugh Clopton	Sir John Mordaunt	Sir Roger Townshend
Sir Marmaduke Constable	Sir Thos. More	William Tresham
Sir Thos. Cooke	Sir Walt. Moyle	Sir Thos. Tresham
Sir Giles Daubeney	Sir John Needham	Sir Jas. Tyrell
Sir Robt. Drury	Sir Robt. Ogle	Sir Thos. Urswick
Edmund Dudley	Sir Wm. Oldhall	Sir Thos. Vaughan
Sir Ric. Empson	Sir John Paston	John Vavassour
Sir James Fiennes	John Paston	Sir John Wenlock
Sir John Fineux	Sir Amyas Paulet	Sir Robt. Willoughby
Thos. Flemang	Sir Lewis Pollard	Sir Robt. Wingfield
Sir Ric. Guildford	Sir John Popham	Sir John Wood
Sir Wm. Herbert	Sir John Radcliff	Thos. Young
Sir James Hobart	Sir John Say	
Sir Wm. Hody	Sir William Scott	

needles in a limited haystack. No one writing the life of Sir Thomas Malory or of Sir Thomas Vaughan or of Flamanck the rebel, could bear to read through 4,000 yards of Pardon Rolls, or 10,000 yards of Issue Rolls, or 5,000 yards of Fine Rolls, or attempt to decipher the indentures between sheriffs and a multitude of electors at every election for Parliament in every constituency over 70 years—all in the hope of one day finding that one long-sought-for name! The pious devotee of his family name will go to considerable lengths in his search for ancestry; but such infinite labour with the risk of failure at the end must not be expected even of him. Only when one is hunting for 2,600 of the principal citizens, and flushing a brace or more at every yard, does boredom become sport, in spite of endless repetition. So, for the first time, we have “roped in” for biographical research the MS. Pardon Rolls, Sheriff Returns, Issue Rolls, Fine Rolls. Almost for the first time we have “corralled” the printed but unindexed *Catalogues of Ancient Deeds* and *Early Chancery Proceedings*. The materials they contain and the services they render can be seen in most of the biographies. Unfortunately, Sheriffs’ Returns and Issue Rolls are intermittent after 1460, and end entirely in 1478; and neither exist for the period of the “Readeption” of Henry VI, 1470–1.

MS. SOURCES NEGLECTED

But it would be better to confess that we have been forced to neglect much more extensive classes of MS. records. The Subsidy Rolls and Exchequer of Pleas have indeed been searched fruitfully to discover *names* of “missing” M.P.s, but not for *biography*. The MS. Inquests *post mortem* have provided dates of death and ages of heirs, or proofs of age; but the lists of jurors, the long lists of manors and their value, of feoffees, and of whom the manors were held—all that has been passed unread. Those Inquests for which Calendars in two volumes have been published covering the years 1485–1503, although even therein the jurors’ names are not printed, show only too clearly what we must have missed in earlier and later years. The MS. Close Rolls have not been looked at, save only the *dorse* to get the names of the Peers summoned to Parliament. The Household Accounts and Receipt Rolls were also seen but abandoned. Six volumes of the *Catalogue of Ancient Deeds* have been printed and provide five hundred references, but there are at least six more volumes in typescript at the P.R.O. ready for the press and indexer, and these too were left out. The *Exchequer Accounts* and *Enrolled Accounts* are often referred to, but the reference is to the two printed volumes of *Lists and Indexes*; the Accounts themselves were left alone. The same applies to most *Early Chancery Proceedings*. These unindexed “Index” volumes contain fair abstracts of each case

with the principal names, and the volumes have been read throughout, producing over 2,000 useful references, but not the proceedings themselves (save in the case of Staffordshire).

THE PLEA ROLLS AND FEET OF FINES

But by far the largest class of uncalendared rolls at the Public Record Office are the Plea Rolls and the Ancient Indictments of the King's Bench. Mr. A. T. Butler, Windsor Herald, has constructed at the Heralds College a slip index of some 20,000 names occurring in the Ancient Indictments for the years 1460-75. These he kindly put at our disposal and many M.P.s who would otherwise have been unidentified found at least a location; but we did not look up the references for details. As for the Plea Rolls, they go back to 1190 and their bulk is unbelievable. Major General the Hon. George Wrottesley extracted and printed such Rolls for Staffordshire, and his short abstracts fill about ten volumes of the Staffordshire Collections. They put Staffordshire in a better position than any other county for recovering the past, so that indeed no M.P. in that county remains unidentified in this volume. Yet even he hardly abstracted one suit in twenty. He also printed in the *Genealogist* a series of *Pedigrees from the Plea Rolls* dealing with all England. Most of the references to the *Genealogist* in these biographies are to this series from the Plea Rolls, but a party's statement of his case and claim and descent is not always to be trusted. Apart from Staffordshire the Plea Rolls remain unseen; although the list of attorneys, given at the end of each term, have been read in 1440, 1450, 1460, 1470, 1480 and 1490 to discover which M.P.s were attorneys. A few counties besides Staffordshire have printed their "Feet of Fines"; otherwise that source also remains unseen. The same limitation applies to the proceedings of the Court of the Star Chamber.

WILLS AND MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTIONS

As for the Wills—the one personal touch with the man and his mind—those at Somerset House, Canterbury, Rochester and Lambeth have been read and abstracted, and also those printed for York, Somerset and Bristol. *Testamenta Vetusta* has also proved useful. But the unprinted wills from York, Bristol and elsewhere have not been seen. Wills can be annexed or attributed to about one-third of the members, and the authority for many of the relationships stated in the text derives from these wills. Much biographical help for M.P.s other than the testator has naturally been obtained from this source. Memorial inscriptions on brass or tomb are far more rare, but adequate printed lists and illustrations of these are available.

LOCAL MS. AND PRINTED RECORDS

Of the 110 Boroughs that returned members at any time during this period, 47 at least have MS. records full of local names and offices going back to the 15th century. Very few indeed of these have been read by us for biographical information—York, Maldon, Northampton, Bridport, Hereford, Romney, Rye and Hythe—though many have been searched for the elections of “missing” M.P.s or for the recorded payments of wages. We have, however, been fortunate in finding willing helpers, better situated and well fitted to fill out the biographies of local citizens and burgesses in London, Winchester, Exeter, Bridgwater, Bristol, Barnstaple, Salisbury, Hull, Shrewsbury, Lynn and Sandwich. The ancient records of most of the other cities and boroughs are partially in print or have been extensively abstracted by local historians or are in the *Historical MSS. Commissions Reports*; all such have been used.

Printed source books which have not been read thoroughly must include many of the old County Histories, and many of the county record-printing societies' volumes. In a dozen counties, however, others well qualified have taken this labour off our hands as regards the members for their own county. Most of the Borough histories have been read and used to the full; so have the *Victoria County Histories*, where available. The City of London is best served of all. There all names have been recovered and, thanks to Miss Winifred Jay, all biographies are full.

THE LAWYERS AND THE YEAR BOOKS

One printed source of national scope remains largely unread. The Year Books are printed in Black Letter, and the names of litigants are generally indicated by an initial. The abbreviated Norman French is most difficult for a non-legal reader, but the object in reading them should be to find who were practising barristers at law and when such men begin to appear as leaders. Fortunately the Selden Society has printed and edited some of these Year Books. Four of their volumes deal with the 15th century¹ and have proved of the greatest value, both for institutional² and biographical work. They illustrate judges and the leaders of the Bar, often House of Commons men at some time. But the junior Bar hardly appear in the pleadings. Few factors have had more influence on our history than the connection between Bar and Parliament. Lincoln's Inn, alone among the Inns, possesses records going back to the 15th century, so that in most cases we must decide on other grounds who was a lawyer. It would appear, however, that

¹ *Select Cases in Chancery*, Vol. 10. *Select Cases in the Star Chamber*, Vol. 16.

Year Books of 19 Hen. VI and 11 Edw. IV, Vol. 47.

Select Cases in the Exchequer Chamber, Vol. 51.

² Notably on the question of whether men under attainr could sit in Parliament and the hint as to the Speaker's name in the 1470-1 Parliament.

young gentlemen entered Lincoln's Inn, not so much to study law as to enjoy "repasts" and good company. It corresponded to the modern club, and they paid their subscription sometimes with a buck in season. Which M.P.s were lawyers, i.e., barristers or attorneys, must in general, if their names do not appear in the Plea Rolls which have been examined, be deduced from the facts known of a man's life and from the offices he held—often from his will, for lawyers almost alone had the books to bequeath and the education to appreciate. The lists of Justices of the Peace printed in the *Calendar of Patent Rolls* do not distinguish those who were of the quorum. We have collected these from the *dorse* of the Rolls. Practically all so distinguished appear to have been lawyers; so that our determination of that particular profession may be considered reliable.

THE FORM OF EACH BIOGRAPHY

Explanation of the form of each biography is needed. The first paragraph gives the Member's surname, christian name, and estimate of his date^x of birth and death, where he lived, his trade or profession if he had one, his public offices if not merely temporary, the Parliaments in which he sat either in Commons or Lords, and his political party while in Parliament. His title is also given if he ever had one—in brackets if the title was subsequent to his last appearance in the Commons.

The next paragraph should give his parentage, with father's date of death, and his marriages with any dates available.

The third paragraph—the main portion—should be a chronological account of his public life, omitting for economy of space his elections to Parliament.

A final paragraph gives his date of death, heirs, will, and any remarks. Each of these items requires explanation.

THE SPELLING OF THE SURNAME

The surname is given in modern form; and the most extravagant of the spellings of the name, as given in the Sheriffs' Returns, is added in brackets immediately afterwards, if the difference is sufficiently marked to cause trouble. Of course there are few whose descendants of the name are *known* to exist today to indicate the modern spelling. But the immense majority of surnames are taken from (a) place names, (b) christian names, (c) trade names. In the 15th century, as will be seen, place names gave a far larger proportion of the total than they do today, especially among leading citizens. So that we have taken the modern spelling of the place (where known), of the christian name, or

^x Wherever the date is determined from contemporary evidence it is given in Roman type; wherever it is a mere deduction or estimate based upon all the other dates in the man's biography the date is given in italics.

of the trade. Thus, of the perduring families, Assheton will remain Assheton, but Fenys will be spelt Fiennes ; Karlil will be spelt Carlisle, Edwardes will be Edwards, and Clarke, Clerk. There will be alternatives in brackets and cross references only where necessary ; e.g. (Ashton), (Fenys), (Karlil), (Clarke)—but not Edwardes.

SURNAMES FIXED

Surnames had hardly become stabilised. Throughout the 13th and 14th centuries, even during the 15th, they varied from father to son for the common people. The poorer the man the more names he had. A common man might be Salter, Shepherd, Stodherd, as his occupations changed ; perhaps he was Squires or Parsons as his master changed ; possibly Tomkinson or Parnel according to the survival of his father or mother, and he might be Green or Townsend according to the site of his temporary lodging. If he had the appearance he might be called Fox or Coney. It was only when he attained a written individuality that the same name stuck to a man for life ; and his sons had an even stiffer job to remain known by an out-of-date description.

The freehold-owning gentry attained the distinction of a fixed surname at an earlier date. The 13th century saw them labelled generically, and almost always by their land. Some, such as Harcourt, Bagot, Ferrers or Vernon, could pass on the glories of a real surname even at the beginning of the 12th century and held on to their name in spite of what their English land might be. But the date of the creation of the surname varied with the status of the family. Those with a landed interest and designation came first ; the landed aristocracy had established their transferable surnames by the end of the 13th century. It was not till the end of the 14th century that a similar established position was acquired by the territorial surnames of the copy holders. Between 1370 and 1400 the " de " (= of) generally drops out of the records, and only an occasional " del ", " à " or " atte " survives into the period with which we are dealing ; Ralph à Legh, William atte Wood, Thomas de la More.

At least another century elapsed before non-territorial surnames became certainly transmissible. Those based on trade, or on baptismal name, or on individual appearance, obviously must have taken longer to pass into the transferable stage. The son was not, in such a case, ploughing and owning the same parental acres ; he was perhaps no longer a Smith ; he had not like his father the teeth of a Wolf. His father was son of Adam ; he was son of Dick. But the man who inherited the holding inherited easily the name of the holding.

¹ The " of " and " the " continued later in the wilds of the north, e.g. " de Greystoke ", " le Scrope ".

However, quite half of the surnames derived from a locality are not of the territorial class that we have just been considering. Those who were born in Gloucester and left it often became called Gloucester. Like any Courlander or Hamburger the ancestors of the numerous Staffords of today were exiles from, not barons of, Stafford. Most ecclesiastics took their name in this way throughout the 15th century, e.g., William of Wickham, John Rotherham, etc. Henry the Spurrier from Birmingham settled in Lynn and went to Parliament as Henry Birmingham. But such descriptive territorial surnames did not stick well; the next generation was often something else.

The fluctuating nature of the 14th and 15th century surnames can be seen in a detailed comparison of the changed surnames in each parish between the subsidy lists of 1327 and the Muster Roll of 1539. There is a falling off in the number of surnames drawn from Trade, Font-name and Appearance; a corresponding growth of surnames derived from Place. In 19 Staffordshire parishes taken at random, 340 surnames have vanished from that parish in which they formerly occurred and only 49 re-occur in that same parish; and many of those 49 are so common that there may well be no sequence of descent. This tends to show both that surnames were still fluctuating, and that Place-names of residence stuck best. Among the more prosperous classes represented in Parliament territorial surnames are far more numerous proportionately than among the agricultural classes; and, by the 15th century, they had crystallised.

ALIASES

Aliases were more common then than now, e.g., John Uffenham who sometimes sat as John Lawrence. The Pardon Rolls give most of the *aliases*. The biography will be found under the form most frequently used, the *alias* being given after the surname, and a cross reference provided. Cadets of peerage houses sometimes, and bastards usually,¹ took their surname from the peerage title or residence of their progenitor. The Arundels of Lanherne were never *alias* FitzAlan. When Touchett married an Audley heiress, all descendants became Audley, dropping in a few years even the *alias* Touchett; and Sutton of Dudley dropped the Sutton and became flatly Dudley before the century was out.

SPELLING AND PREVALENCE OF CHRISTIAN NAMES.

Christian names are given in English form. We eschew the latinised Drogo, Bogo, Reginald, Almaric, Reinfrid, Nigel, Alberic, Alveredus, etc., preferring the names by which they were then known and from

¹ E.g. the bastard of Burgundy, or the bastard Faucomberg, or the bastard of Grafton Stafford), or the bastard of Exeter—or indeed, Don John of Austria.

which surnames have sprung—Drew, Bewes, Reynold, Amery, Renfrey, Neil, Aubrey, Avery. The line must, however, be drawn somewhere—Piers and Jane by all means—but let Henricus remain Henry, and Jacobus, James. Fortunately no man had two christian names. The christian names used by the 2,600 M.P.s are as follows :—

John ..	760	Andrew ..	6	Sampson ..	2
Thomas ..	429	Geoffrey ..	5	Vincent ..	2
William ..	414	Giles ..	5	Abraham ..	1
Richard ..	227	Bartholomew	4	Adelin ..	1
Robert ..	187	Oliver ..	4	Amias ..	1
Henry ..	81	Roland ..	4	Anthony ..	1
Nicholas ..	55	Benett ..	3	Arthur ..	1
Roger ..	39	Hamond ..	3	Arnold ..	1
Walter ..	37	Laurence ..	3	Babylon ..	1
Edward ..	29	Michael ..	3	Constantine	1
Edmund ..	28	Alan ..	2	Clement ..	1
Hugh ..	26	Avery ..	2	Cristin ..	1
Ralph ..	25	Bernard ..	2	Degory ..	1
James ..	21	Brian ..	2	Edwin ..	1
Humphrey	20	Charles ..	2	Eustace ..	1
Philip ..	17	Drew ..	2	Gerard ..	1
George ..	17	Everard ..	2	Gregory ..	1
Stephen ..	16	Fulk ..	2	Godard ..	1
Piers ..	11	Gervase ..	2	Leonard ..	1
David ..	10	Guy ..	2	Marmaduke	1
Alexander ..	9	Lewis ..	2	Manser ..	1
Christopher	9	Malcolm ..	2	Morgan ..	1
Reynold ..	9	Matthew ..	2	Otes ..	1
Gilbert ..	7	Maurice ..	2	Saer ..	1
Simon ..	7	Miles ..	2	Seman ..	1
Adam ..	6	Renfrey ..	2		

DATES OF BIRTH AND DEATH

In isolated cases, “proofs of age” made before the escheator give the exact date of birth. In many cases the man is stated in an inquest to have been, perhaps, “30 and more,” at his predecessor’s death. This gives an approximate date of birth—more accurate the younger the heir. When Stourton is said to be 30 *et amplius* at inquests in six counties and 32 *et amplius* in a seventh—then he is more likely to have been 32—and to have sat for Dorset at the age of 16, not 14. But for the large majority the date of birth is given in italics and is a guess based on every other date in the man’s life, on his heirs’ ages, and on his will. Dates of death are more often found, and are more accurately to be

estimated. Wills, besides Inquests, are available ; so are writs of *diem clausit* on the Fine Rolls even when no Inquest has survived. The mention of his widow or a change of office, or omission from the bench, or even omission from the all-embracing Pardon Roll of 1509, help to an approximation of the date of death. Roughly it may be said that most dates of death are correct within five years and 90 per cent. are within ten years. Where the date is so guessed it is again given in italics.

It is essential to have such dates, both to show how young members entered public life and how young they died. These dates are the key to biography and family history. They are a factor in understanding Parliament, and in appreciating the normal career of the governing class both at Westminster and in local government in town and country. If the victor of Flodden had really been 70 on the day of the battle, instead of 60 as we maintain, our War Office would have a dangerous precedent. If, as the *Dict. Nat. Biog.* implies, Sir John Howard really did beget Thomas at the age of 12, child marriage might have serious advocates !

WHERE THEY LIVED

The place of residence should either be found in the Pardon Rolls, or is obvious in the case of resident burgesses. Even the servants of the Household, Treasury, or Chancery usually had a place in the country. The difficulty in entering this item arises through change of residence. Before succeeding, the eldest son will often live on a distant manor, perhaps in a different county (*cf.* Gresley). After succeeding in business, the burgess M.P. will buy and build afar (*cf.* Verney). Throughout, the place of residence selected for entry is that occupied during most of the time he was M.P.—but often two residences are given, since the knights and squires migrated with the seasons for reasons rather of economy than health. In the rare cases where the Sheriffs' Return calls a man "of (say) Weymouth" it seems to be always done to distinguish him from a man at least equally well known of the same name. Where the county is *not* mentioned after the place name, it must always be taken to be in the shire for which he sat in Parliament, and the omission is made to save space.

OCCUPATION.

Then follows trade, profession, esquire, or gent.—often "of the Treasury", or "of the Household". The latter are not contemporary descriptions, but deductions ; as also are such professions as lawyer, shipowner, pirate, soldier, engineer, contractor, sea-captain, brick and tile manufacturer. No one was ever described thus in the 15th century, any more than they were called M.P. Other contemporary descriptions

of occupation are generally taken from the Pardon Rolls, whose value is enhanced by that passion for thoroughness which will call a man "esq. *alias* gent. *alias* chapman". If one might judge from the Pardon Rolls (which one may not), there were no class distinctions in 15th century England. The lords were usually described as "knights" in all classes of documents, without hint of hereditary "barony". Probably all knew their place but not their style, and feared only (as did the Pastons) the deadly charge of servile origin. It is, of course, difficult to distinguish between such professions as chapman, merchant, shipowner, pirate and sea-captain, or between "vintner" and "hostelier". We have arbitrarily shortened "Merchant of the staple" to stapler; and customer covers all those collectors and controllers and scrutineers of great and little customs and subsidy who dominated the ports of England. Customer, however, was more properly an office than a description or occupation.

OFFICIAL POSTS

Only the more important public offices are given in this first paragraph. Offices were held in fee, in partnership, in succession, for term of years, during good behaviour, or at pleasure. Most could be held specifically by self or deputy; some were to be served in person. Most were paid; some brought in money; some were subject to fee farm rents payable to the Crown. All royal castles, and all escheated ones, had "Constables" or "Porters"; all royal manors or honours had "stewards" who might also be "receivers". Constables of the Tower or of Windsor were powerful officers; so were the Stewards of the Duchies of Lancaster or of Cornwall. Other such offices were rather perquisites and rewards. The principal offices were those of the Household, of the Chancery, and of the Exchequer. There were also officials of Parliament, who were elected to Parliament and by Parliament. There sat in Parliament also officers or servants of Earl or Bishop.

EACH MAN'S PARLIAMENTS

Next follow the Parliaments in which the man sat. Each is described by the year or years (New Style) in which that Parliament met and continued. Interspersed are to be found, in brackets, the dates of Parliaments where the *certain* names are unknown, but in which it is *likely* that the man did also sit. If the man had writs of summons to Parliament as a lord or judge, the date of the first such Parliament is preceded by "Sumnd." The authority for the statement that the man sat in such and such a year is shown by the heading or footnote to the full lists in the Lists Volume.

PARTY AFFILIATION

Throughout the Wars of the Roses some party affiliation can be given to most of the knights of the shire and to the official element. Lesser folk, of course, changed complexion pretty thoroughly with each Revolution, but the momentary state of mind might be recorded at each Parliamentary election. Pardons are less guide to party than might be expected, for they were often taken out by victors as well as vanquished, as an insurance against a hostile interpretation of past services to a vanished government. Victors needed the insurance less, but could doubtless get it more cheaply. But more men were consistent in their party view than might be expected, partly because the penalties for being in a minority were more inevitable. The governing class oscillated between opulence and exile, and only a Richard III could compel men to change sides against their interest.

HONORARY TITLES

Titles have also been added to the first descriptive paragraph of each biography. It was usual in the 15th century for a man to be described as John Jones, knight (*miles* or *chevalier* in Latin or French), not as Sir John Jones, still less as Sir John Jones, K.B. Even lords were often plain "knight"; and the "Honourable" for sons of lords can hardly be traced as a title before the 17th century.¹ Nevertheless the modern prefix instead of suffix has been used in these biographies—especially in the descriptive paragraph. They are anachronisms, but they are convenient for distinction among the innumerable Johns and Thomases. Where the "Sir" or "Hon." is within brackets it is to show that the right to the prefix arose *after* the M.P. ceased to sit in Parliament.

The letters M.P. themselves are blatantly anachronistic, and are used solely for convenience. In the body of the work they have usually been replaced by "(*q.v.*)" indicating reference to another biography, obviously of an "M.P.". "Right Honourable" has not been used, is not even convenient. It is doubtful if there was a Privy Council, and more doubtful who were Privy Councillors. It is certain they were not called Rt. Hon. P.C. as a suffix has been included among the offices when known, but should be understood to mean King's Counsellor.

ALL SORTS OF KNIGHTS

There is no evidence that there were any grades of knights in the 15th century—except the supreme dignity of the Garter. The knighting

¹ Even Lord Henry Stafford, second husband of the "Lady Margaret" was always known and described as Sir Henry Stafford. Yet his father was a duke as powerful as was his wife's father.

was sometimes a more elaborate ceremony—at a coronation or a royal marriage, or at the knighting of a King's son. But no man said "I am a Knight of the Bath, and you are a Knight Bachelor", or even "you a Knight Banneret".¹ Knights "of the carpet" and "of the sword" were inventions of the next century. A banneret was a leader in the field, *ad hoc*; no permanent feature. Even captains did not remain captains and were not called "captain", though no subject was more powerful than the Captain of Calais. Colonels were not invented; Lieutenants were just deputies, *locum tenentes*, and the Lieutenant of Ireland was called *the* Lord Deputy.

PARENTAGE AND MARRIAGE

Parliamentary representation passed from father to son far more than at present; relationship played a larger part in life, especially relationship to the great. In any case parentage and marriage influenced all careers and views, and are essential to knowledge of the man. The date of the father's death and son's succession is as important. Yet of most of the burgess M.P.s none of these things are known. Often we have had to rely on the Visitations, or on the slightly more reliable Suffolk Collections of Mr. Davy in the British Museum. Only guesswork can pretend to distinguish John senior from John junior, especially when, as frequently happens, two sons were called John who again split into senior and junior. For instance the family of Tyrrell would be inexplicable had one not been able to sieve out three generations of M.P.s who duplicated and triplicated Johns and Williams.

CAREER

All else comes in the next (the main) paragraph. For example, a man is sworn to the peace—with all the rest of England—in May 1434; he is escheator, J.P., sheriff, pardoned again and again, every date being critical; his commissions and removals from the bench are symptomatic of his political party; gaol delivery commissions, or being "of the quorum", make him look like a lawyer. Perhaps he was admitted to Lincoln's Inn, or a common feoffee for the nobility and gentry, or the bishop's steward, or Norfolk's servant. Every office he held must have dates attached. Most had 30 years of active public life either at Westminster or in their borough.

This main body of the biography should be a chronological sequence of appointments and events with dates attached. Appointments to a commission to raise a loan, or to assess a subsidy in any county, should follow an appointment to the bench in perhaps another county, and

¹ The Deputy Keeper recalls that he has noticed men described as "*baneretti*", *temp.* Hen. III.

precede the pricking for sheriff or appointment as escheator in yet a third county. However, to economise space, it has been found necessary to collect together, out of sequence, the several periods when a man was Justice of the Peace, the sheriffdoms and escheatorships (generally November to November) often repeated at intervals and in various counties, and the infinite variety of commissions on to which all public men were inevitably nominated ; all these must be generalised.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

A man was put on the bench because of his rank, lands or wealth, or because he was some great man's servant, or because he was a lawyer, either a judge on that circuit or especially active in local affairs. He was struck off the bench deliberately because he was no longer trusted by the authorities, or because he had gone abroad, or (sometimes) because he had been made sheriff, or because he was incapable, or dead. The number on the bench varied with the size of the county and with the period. In 1439 fifteen would be a good average number for a county, in 1509 twenty-five. A few are specially marked as "of the quorum" ; these were almost always lawyers. Though no doubt a number of the bench did meet together in Sessions, yet a Magistrate could and did generally act alone. They were the local dictators, with little machinery as yet to carry dictation into effect. Judges on circuit, and Special Commissions, were their superior counterpart. A commission of Gaol Delivery or of Oyer and Terminer, generally a committee of the justices with predominantly lawyer elements, did much of the criminal work both of Justices of the Peace and Justices of the Bench.

Of the 700 different knights of the shire, only 130 were never county J.P.s. The Lists Volume will show that quite a number of lay peers and bishops were also not J.P. when summoned—some never filled that office. Those knights of the shire who were justices may be divided fairly equally between those who were J.P. before and those only J.P. after their first return to Parliament. Of the Burgesses who never sat for a county—1900—only 150 ever got on to the county bench, and, in the case of three-quarters of these, only after they had been returned. Many were, of course, Justices of the Peace in their boroughs. The gap in status between knight of the shire and burgess was still wide if slowly narrowing.

When the Yorkists conquered at St. Albans there was no general purge of the county justices, but there was after the Coventry Parliament in Dec. 1459, and a milder one after Northampton. Thereafter each revolution had its purge—in July 1461, Oct. 1470, July 1471, Oct. 1483, Sept. 1485. Generally a fresh commission of the peace was issued for no special reason, county by county, every year or two ; but on these

serious occasions new commissions were made out for most counties simultaneously. They are good guides to the M.P.'s political party. The fresh commissions issued in Oct. 1470 and in Oct. 1483 show also, now we know the men, how feeble was the hold on England of the government of Warwick, and that of Richard III after Buckingham's rising.

COMMISSIONS AND COMMISSIONERS

Commissions of the Peace were continuing commissions, continuing till a new commission was made out for the county in question. It is possible that Commissioners of sewers (*de walliis et fossatis*) and Commissioners of fisheries (*de kidellis*) were also continuous ; but, if so, the Patent Rolls mention only a few of what must have been a more numerous series. These commissions were practically sub-committees of the Justices. But the important special commissions were *ad hoc*—to raise a loan, to organise and direct the assessment and collection of a subsidy, or to array the county in arms in an emergency. These were long lists—30 to a county perhaps. No one desired to be appointed, though a man might well feel slighted at not being appointed. For the arrays, friends of the government were specially desired ; and the array commissions of Dec. 1459 include the names of the cream of the Lancastrian supporters ; while the commissions of 1484 represent what the government of Richard III believed to be still reliable. The commissions of Oct. 1470 represent what Warwick's Readeption Government hoped rather than what they believed to be their friends. All these special commissions indicate whether a man was supposed to be important, and one on whom the Government of the moment might rely. Whether they ever met together or how they carried out their commission, no man knows. They have left no records, save some subsidy rolls made by those whom the subsidy commissioners must have appointed to do that unpleasant work. Small select commissions to deal with individual troublers or troubles of the peace were of infinite number and variety.

SHERIFFS

No bench of Magistrates, few special commissions, only the Judges on their periodic visits, matched the power and authority of the King's chief officer in each county—the sheriff. They were pricked by the King from three names chosen by the Chancery, probably on the advice of the Judges, and held office 4th November to 4th November under normal circumstances. Only the anarchy of 1456 broke down the sequence ; only the revolutions of April 1471 and August 1485 produced any change in personnel before their allotted time expired. The custom developed after 1460 of giving them rewards—£50, £100, even £200. They could not array the shire, but they had, or were

themselves, all there was of standing army to deal promptly with any rebel rising. They were not King's officers sent down from London, but local knights and squires, exactly of the type of Knight of the Shire. Of the 700 Knights of the Shire about 160 had been sheriff before they were returned to Parliament and a further 220 were pricked for sheriff after their first election to Parliament. Several were eight times sheriff, not always for the same county. Borough members were rarely men who had been or were to be sheriff—perhaps a dozen before and two dozen after having sat in the House.

No sheriff could legally, or did, return himself to Parliament, but quite 40 were pricked for sheriff while still technically Members of Parliament; and not only did the sheriff sometimes return his son or brother, but sometimes he was himself returned by another sheriff for another county. Some fifty per cent. of those who were sheriffs were also M.P. at some time in their lives. Of the two posts, that of sheriff was still the more sought after. It was more important to have the sheriff as your friend.

Beds. and Bucks., Cambs. and Hunts., Essex and Herts., Oxon. and Berks., Norfolk and Suffolk, Notts. and Derby, Somerset and Dorset, Surrey and Sussex, Warwick and Leicester—each brace of counties had only one sheriff—Westmorland would have been similarly linked with Cumberland, Worcester with Gloucester or Hereford, had there not been hereditary sheriffs in Westmorland and Worcestershire. Salop and Staffs., Devon and Cornwall, Hants. and Wilts., had parted company half a century before.

ESCHEATORS

The royal official next in importance to the sheriff was the escheator, acting as did the sheriff in pairs of counties. He was the King's agent in the matter of feudal death duties. Who notified the death of tenants-in-chief is not clear, but the Chancery sent very promptly to the escheator the writs *diem clausit extremum*, upon which he held the *Inquisitio post mortem* to ascertain the date of death, name and age of heir, and the annual value of all the deceased's lands. If the heir was of age he paid a year's income before obtaining entry; if he was not of age the whole annual profit and the marriage of the heirs went to the Crown, subject to the widow's dower, until the heir proved his age or (in the case of heiresses) married. In each county, on the average, twenty tenants-in-chief died each year, and the full particulars sent up to Westminster and still preserved in the P.R.O. are the backbone of mediaeval genealogy¹. At the time, the landed classes regarded this

¹ The inquests have only survived in about half the cases where a writ *diem clausit* was sent.

accidental tax as a terror which involved the breaking up of the home as well as confiscation, and the escheator came to be called a "cheat".¹

Escheators were appointed on the nomination of the Treasurer for one year—Michaelmas to Michaelmas²—presumably on the advice of the sheriff. The office was not popular; but it carried a small fee and gave opportunities. The squirearchy left it to cadets or to country lawyers. Whereas the sheriff was usually at some time a knight of the shire, the escheator more usually sat for some borough. About 140 M.P.s were escheators before they sat in Parliament, about 120 held the office after their first election; and of these 260 M.P.s only about 50 were ever knights of the shire. Few had more than a couple of turns at office, and then generally for a different county, though one or two seem to have been almost professional escheators. After 1485 custom changed and the escheator remained on continuously for many years, but most of his duties had passed into the hands of a new set of officials known as feodaries. Less than one half of those who were escheators ever found a seat in Parliament.

CUSTOMERS, DEPUTY BUTLERS, ETC.

Controllers and collectors of great and petty customs and subsidies were as important an element in the collection of revenue as the sheriff or escheator—and they were enduring appointments. But they were to be found, two or more, in the ports only—Newcastle and Berwick, Hull, Boston *cum* Grimsby, Lynn, Yarmouth, Ipswich, Colchester, London, Sandwich, Chichester and Winchelsea, Southampton, Poole, Exeter and Dartmouth, Plymouth and Fowey, Bridgwater, Bristol, and Calais.³ As all these ports, except Fowey, Berwick, Boston, Calais, returned two members (London four), it is but natural that about 200 M.P.s should have been at some time either surveyors of customs, controllers of customs, collectors of customs, or have performed the office of "tronage" and "pesage". In the port of London some of the higher customs posts were filled by Exchequer officials. The rest were often merchants resident in the ports, and frequently representing those ports. Sir Sampson Norton was customer at Southampton for 25 years, 1475–1500, and a Chamberlain of the Exchequer; Pittelsden at Plymouth and Fowey 14 years, 1446–60. But Portaleyn at London 1447–60, Pound at Southampton 1449–76, Rotherham (the Archbishop's brother) at Sandwich 1469–83, were not local merchants but salaried officials of the Exchequer, as were many others. The customers were often Deputy Butlers in the seaports—deputy that is to the Chief Butler. But a Deputy Butler worked alone and he often

¹ *Vide* Wedgwood or Skeat, but not *New English Dictionary*. One escheator is aliased in the pardon rolls as "extortioner". ² Or November to November.

³ Note the absence of Liverpool, Dover, Portsmouth, Gloucester and Carlisle.

had four ports under his control. Hamond Sutton acted in Hull for 18 years, 1435-53; and Thomas Pope filled the post at Winchelsea, Seaford and Rye 1435-60, while he was also customer in Sandwich and Chichester. No Deputy Butler seems to have been appointed in London. Forty M.P.s were Deputy Butlers.

ROYAL CASTLES AND CONSTABLES

Each Royal castle, or castle in the King's hands, was commanded by a constable, keeper, captain, or even "porter," the precise name depending perhaps more on the scribe than on the strength or character of the garrison. The constable, which is the most usual term, was frequently a member of the Upper House, but as often a knight or squire. About 130 Members of the Commons held at some time the command of such Royal castles as—the Tower of London, Windsor, Dover, Berwick, Roxburgh, Carlisle, Bristol, Rochester, Cardiff, Carisbrooke, Carnarvon, Harlech, Castle Rising, Conway, Gloucester, Leeds in Kent, Northampton, Nottingham, Porchester, Salisbury, Scarboro', Southampton, Winchester; and in the second rank, Bridgnorth, Brecknock, Cardigan, Carmarthen, Chester, Corfe, Colchester, Cockermouth, Devizes, Druselin, Flint, Hertford, Kendal, Launceston, Lincoln, Melbourne, Moor End (Nhts.), Newcastle-on-Tyne, Norham, Norwich, Odiham, Pontefract, Rhuddlan, Rockingham, St. Briavel, Sudeley, Swansea—and the Irish castles of Dublin and Wicklow. But the Yorkist castles, Warwick's castles, the six castles of Westmorland, the Northumbrian castles of the Percy Earls, and Roos's Belvoir, were often in the King's hands under similar captains. There were also captains in France—of Calais, Hammes, Rysebank and Guisnes; beside war-time captains of Caen, Montsorreau, Fécamp, Gournay, Gisors, Bordeaux, Arques and Harfleur.

These M.P.s were mostly soldiers, and in some cases were elected to Parliament by reason of their constablenesship. The list is not a complete one of all the Royal castles; those of the Duchy of Lancaster and of the Duchy of Cornwall do not appear, and the records for the Duchies have not been adequately searched.

SPECIAL PROVINCIAL OFFICES

M.P.s—Knights of the Shire and Burgesses—fill a further wide range of royal appointments in the counties, appointments which were salaried and appointments which had perquisites, even appointments for which they had to pay, which were in effect "farms." The M.P. might be receiver of Eton College, launder of Clarendon, bailiff of Purbeck, keeper of Bagshot, or of the Water of Fosse by York. Henry Trenchard was forester of the New Forest 1443-61 and sat for Hampshire. There was a riding forester and/or a master forester of

Dartmoor, a forester of Bagshot or of Battel's Baily in Windsor park, a ranger of Cannock and of the Forest of Dean, a forester of Bernewood, or of Weybridge, a ranger of Rockingham, a forester of Inglewood and of Sowerby, a ranger of Wychwood, of Kinver, of Freemantle and of Wolmer, and Henry Langton was riding forester of Galtres. There were stewards of Marlborough, of the High Peak, of Poole, of Wakefield (Sir John Savile, 1465-82), Ware, Caversham, Hampstead-Marshall, Woodstock, Walsall, Eltham, Radnor, Denbigh, Tewkesbury, Elmley, Cookham and Bray, Colchester, Sudbury, Thornbury and Buckingham (during Buckingham's minority), Havering, Rayleigh, Morff, Ewelme, Yardley, Bassingbourne, Corsham, Ringwood, St. Albans and Bushey ; and keepers of two dozen forests. Bailiffs were appointed at Purbeck, Sandwich, Swallowfield (Berks), Havering, Berkhamstead, Finchamstead, Boston, Plympton, Wallingford (first Houghton and then Horde), and in all the Cinque Ports 1470-83. Mr. Troy was clerk of the works at Clarendon ; Pennycock held the " amobreship " of Merioneth and was searcher of nets on the Thames ; William Newman was swanherd of Thames from Gravesend to Cirencester ; the Norrises, father and son, were stewards of Oxford University ; Ralph à Legh held the Raglote of Merioneth ; the learned Bartholomew Halley was everything, including warrener of Plumstead. No less than 200 of the 2,600 M.P.s held provincial offices of this description which often helped them to their seats in Parliament—or, *vice versa*, their seat in Parliament helped them to the office.

THE KING'S PRINCIPAL MINISTERS

We turn from all the local officials—J.P.s, Commissioners of this and that, Sheriffs, Escheators, Collectors, Constables, Stewards, Foresters, Surveyors, etc.—to officials at the centre, also drawn from the Parliamentary caste. These central officers can be divided :—(1) the King's principal Ministers (the heads of the following departments, (2), (3) and (4)) ; (2) the Household ; (3) the Treasury Officials ; (4) Chancery Officials. Any beginning of War Office or Admiralty must be looked for among the King's Household ; and the Master of the Ordnance or the Clerk of the King's ships had the makings of departmental chiefs. But they were hardly permanent, hardly " on the establishment."

The Lists of each Parliament in the Lists Volume are prefaced by the names of the holders of the following offices :—Chancellor ; Treasurer ; Keeper of Privy Seal ; King's Secretary ; Chamberlain, Steward, Controller and Treasurer of Household ; the two Chamberlains of the Exchequer ; Under Treasurer (Clerk to the Treasurer) ; Chancellor of the Exchequer ; Chief Butler ; Captain of Calais ; Admiral of England ;

Warden of the Cinque Ports ; Clerk of the Council ; Master of the Rolls ; Clerk of the Parliament ; Chancellor of the Duchy.

These might be described as the Ministry or the Council (not yet the Privy Council)—a queer tangle of the feudal and the clerical, which found its origin, social club and workshop in Parliament. Most of these officers sat (or stood) in the Upper House—in Parliament proper—some by virtue of their office ; many had their place there also as bishop, judge or baron, receiving an individual writ of summons. But the remarkable fact remains that many chose to sit in the Commons, helping and directing their colleague the Speaker. Thus early began that contact between the Executive and the representatives which is the distinctive and saving feature of English Parliamentary government.

Willoughby, Wingfield, Vaughan, Throckmorton, Tocotes, Tunstall, Tudenham, St. Leger, both Scotts, Skull, Somerseth, Stanley, Radcliff of Fitzwalter, Parr, Popham, Norton, Marney, Leynton, Lytton, Harington, Hotoft, the Howards, Huddlesfield, Grimsby, the Guildfords, Fenn, two Fiennes, Fogge, Fowler, Edgecombe, Elvington, Essex, Dudley, two Browns, Sampson Norton, Fortescue, Bray—besides the Speakers, More, Say, Tresham, Thorpe, Wenlock, Empson, Lovell, Mordaunt and Wood—all held one or more of these offices and all were then or at some time Members of the Commons House.

Of course, during these 70 years the importance and the titles of the principal Ministers changed. Higher posts became hereditary or honorary, and the second in command who did the work supplanted his nominal chief in importance. The Chancellor of the Exchequer supplanted the two Chamberlains. The Steward of the Duchy gave way to strong Chancellors of the Duchy, just as the Lord High Steward, Great Chamberlain, Constable or Marshal had long since ceased to wield executive power. The Lord President of the Council was only invented under Henry VII. The King's Secretary, though included among these principal Ministers, dreamed not as yet of his successors in that great line of Secretaries of State.

But even the titles of these Ministers had not yet crystallised into form. The Keeper of the King's Wardrobe might still be called " of the Privy Wardrobe " or alternatively " Treasurer " or " Cofferer " of the Household ; he might even combine that office once designed to check him—Controller of the Household. The Under Treasurer of England is more humbly styled Clerk to the Treasurer by the Treasury clerks. From him, or from the two Chamberlains of the Exchequer, rather than from a somewhat lowly² " Chancellor of the King's Exchequer ", descends legitimately our modern finance minister—while the Treasurer and Treasury have been put into commission.

² No longer " lowly " once Sir Thomas Lovell took the office.

It is often difficult to decide the date of these appointments which are only occasionally given in the Patent Rolls. We know precisely when a man was a J.P. or an M.P. or a justice of either bench. The succession of (Lord) Chancellors may be almost exactly determined. Only from the Issue Rolls can we find when principal Ministers (and then not all) were paid. Sometimes it is stated from what date in the past they were to be paid ; but generally we have only casual reference to the fact that a man was, at that particular time, Controller of the Household, or King's Secretary, or Treasurer, or Keeper of the Privy Seal. Succession to office is often in doubt, and the period of tenure an approximation. No study such as Professor Tout carried out in six volumes for the 14th century has yet been attempted for the 15th.

THE KING'S HOUSEHOLD

The Household consisted of all grades from the Controller to the scullions. There were the Marshals of the Hall, Masters of the Horse or of the Henchmen, Knights and Squires of the Body, Serjeants at Arms, King's Carvers and Sewers, Ushers and Yeoman of the Chamber or of the Crown, messengers, with serjeants, yeomen and grooms of every domestic department from buttery and pantry to the beds and the scullery. Every rank of society was drawn upon ; Barons might be carvers or command the Horse or the Henchmen, or still be styled and paid as Knights of the Body ; Squires of the Body were the Squirearchy at Court, with serjeants, yeomen, ushers and marshals of the Hall drawn from their cadets and relations. These lesser grades came also from the sons of city magnates ; thence, too, came the "purveyors" of fish and game and grain. The King "retained" other men of the county for service on the seas or abroad. And all were well paid—when they were paid ; and wherever possible no doubt perquisites were allowed and fees taken. For this, and for food, money had to be borrowed, tying closer the link with the city and the rising merchants.

Careers started at Court, and just as the Household came from the Parliamentary caste, so Parliament drew from the Household. Occasionally, as in 1447 and 1459 and 1478, the Court, or Queen, or King, was particularly anxious to have this element in the Commons ; a glance at the Lists of the House for those years will show that the servants and sheriffs responded to the call. It is clear that throughout these 70 years (and for hundreds of years before and after) the two real parties in Parliament were Court and Country. The "servants" were the back benchers of the Court party ; the squires the backbone of the Country party. Probably lawyers led both ; and after an election in times of crisis the Country party passed Acts of Resumption to annul grants, and cut down the numbers of the King's Household. An actual

change of ruler was an even more serious calamity for the old Household, as these biographies clearly show.

KNIGHTS AND SQUIRES OF THE BODY

Henry VI's Household, as reduced in 1455, included two Carvers, knights, and four Squires of the Body. He had been shorn of his Knights of the Body. Then, or later, Knights of the Body were being paid £50 a year (comparable with £1,500 a year now). Squires got half this, and both had extras. Sixty of the Knights of the Shire were at some time also Knights of the Body, and ninety of them were Squires of the Body ; many of the ninety are included in the sixty, for the squires got knighted in due course and remained "Of the Body". Most got this Court preferment after, not before, they had been elected to Parliament. Both figures would be largely increased if we had the names of the shire knights in the missing Parliaments of Edward IV and Henry VII. Probably few of this class of King's servants never sat in Parliament. It is curious that the class, style and title died out under the Tudors. The Bodyguard or Yeomen of the Guard, and a profusion of titular rewards, probably replaced both service and attraction.

Their services were special. The Duke of Suffolk was put for safe keeping in the honourable and friendly hands of four Squires of the Body, 1450. A Squire of the Body conducted Eleanor, duchess of Gloucester, to her captivity, 1441. Every famous House contributed names of note to this select bodyguard. Sir Richard Tunstall, K.G., the "sole survivor", was Knight of the Body 1457-61 and 1486-92 ; Sir John Scott, the Kentish Captain, 1461-83 ; Sir Davy Owen, the King's bastard uncle, 1485-1509 ; Sir William Norris, grandfather of him who died for Anne Boleyn, 1469-83 and 1485-1506 ; Sir Thomas Leighton, of that yet flourishing House, 1488-1509.

KING'S SERJEANTS, YEOMEN AND USHERS, ETC.

The Serjeants at Arms, Yeomen of the Crown and King's Messengers (*nuncii*) were the means whereby Government communicated with the country, as well as a royal police and bodyguard. They carried out orders. Yeomen and Ushers of the Chamber, Grooms of the Wardrobe and servers or sewers were more domestic. Serjeants were paid 1s. a day ; all others were of the 6d. a day wage class (comparable with £300 a year). Some 300 such King's servants found their way into Parliament (over 10 per cent. of the total membership), and the large majority were elected because they were King's servants, i.e., did not go to Parliament to get the job.

Most moved steadily up in grade, some reaching to Squire of the Body ; many were both Yeoman and Usher ; or Serjeant and Groom. This class must also include—Somerset the physician to Henry VI,

Queen Margaret's squire Shernebourne, and her secretary George Ashby the poet ; it includes receivers and surveyors like Mansell and Palmer, clerks like Muchgood and Ralph à Legh, and the grand " domestic " William Evington of Windsor. One Serjeant at Arms at least, Siddell, was attached to attend on Mr. Speaker, the lineal predecessor of Sir Colin Keppel.

Both Serjeants at Arms and Messengers merge into the next class, and may often have been employed by, as well as paid by, the Exchequer.

SERVANTS OF THE TREASURY

This seems to have been the precedence at the Treasury :— Treasurer, two Chamberlains of the Exchequer (one often a peer), the Clerk to the Treasurer (*alias* Under Treasurer of England), the Clerk of the Great (Pipe) Roll of the Exchequer, the Controller of the Great Roll of the Exchequer, the King's Remembrancer of the Exchequer, the Treasurer's Remembrancer, the Chancellor of the King's Exchequer, the four Tellers of the Exchequer, some six Auditors, the Foreign Apposer of the estreats of the Exchequer—and there were many others. Holders of all these offices sat at some time in Parliament. On two occasions at least the Under Treasurer was paid lordly " expenses " to attend Parliaments at Bury and Reading when he had not been elected to the Commons. The normal pay of the Chamberlains and Under Treasurer was only 8*d.* a day, that of the Tellers only 3*d.* But that was not what they got. The fees were such that within 250 years the Teller's 3*d.* a day had become £5,000 or £6,000 a year.

If we include the Treasury in Ireland and in Calais no less than 70 M.P.s at some time held office in the Treasury. Pound was a Teller for 40 years, Whitgreve for 20 years ; Sheldon an Auditor for 22 years ; Wood, Thorpe, Throckmorton, Say, Lytton, Grimsby, Fenn and Brown, were Under Treasurers. Skinner was Clerk of the Green Cloth ; Stanlowe was Foreign Apposer ; Southwell and Lawley were Marshals of the Exchequer ; Keeble was Controller of the Pipes of the Exchequer for over 20 years.

The problem at the Treasury concerns the Barons of the Exchequer. Some, probably all, were lawyers. Could they sit in the Commons ? Did they sit or stand in the Lords ? Both Thorpe and Wolseley were occasionally puisne barons and occasionally M.P.s ; there is no proof that they were ever both together ; others, Nottingham, Urswick, Statham, Whittington, etc., all sat in Parliament before they were made barons. On the whole, it would seem that the barons might attend in the Lords like the other Judges though they received no writs of summons. Their style of " baron ", and the negative evidence of no election to the Commons is insufficient, however, to carry conviction.

SERVANTS OF THE CHANCERY AND JUDGES

Some, before they ever held judicial office, served in the Commons, but never those clerks, the Masters in Chancery, or their chief, the Master of the Rolls; nor did any Serjeant at Law, after promotion to King's Serjeant. The Judges of King's Bench and Common Pleas, some King's Serjeants at Law and the King's Attorney, were all summoned to Parliament, to the House of Lords, by individual writs of summons. The Master of the Rolls, Clerk of the Parliament and all Masters in Chancery seem to have had no writ of summons, but they were the Receivers of Petitions, and may have been present in the Lords as clerks. At least they were part of the machinery of Parliament. One Chancellor, More, and many Judges and Serjeants at Law and King's Attorneys had sat in the Commons in their early days—Billing, Townsend, Danvers, Moyle, Needham, Vavassour and a dozen others—but the Masters never.

Chancery officials who did sit as M.P. were Elrington, Clerk of the Hanaper; Robert Thorpe, Geoffrey Goodlock and John Stoughton, apparently Spigurnels in the Chancery; Sir John Scott, Controller of the Household, who was, quite incidentally and nominally, Chirographer of the Common Pleas; Rowe, Clerk of the Common Bench; Pemberton, a clerk in Chancery (perhaps "of the Crown"); and William Rous, Clerk of the Crown in Chancery 1443–70. If this last identification is correct (and William Rous is an all-too-common name), then we may well couple with the official who has ever, in familiar language, "made out a new writ to serve in this present Parliament for the borough of", John Frampton and Richard Baron who were Ushers of the Parliament Chamber 1455–62 and sat for Bedwin, Guildford and Windsor in 1450 to 1460.

Nearly all the King's servants below the rank of Squires of the Body who sat at all in Parliament sat for the smaller boroughs. If their names were ever written into blanks left by the Sheriff in his Return, it must have been the Clerk of the Crown who did it. Plenty of names of M.P.s have been filled in after the indenture had been drawn up, but that may mean no more than that the clerk wrote them in after he had taken down the names of the electors, or drawn up his form.

LAWYERS AND RECORDERS

Of all the Inns of Court, Lincoln's Inn alone has records going back to the 15th century, and it is usually only by accident or inferentially that one can determine whether an M.P. was a lawyer (pleader or attorney). In quite half the cases it must remain a guess based on the man's commissions, especially if he was of the Quorum, or on his will, on his frequent appearance as an attorney or his London address. Some 70, however, attained legal preferment as Justices, Serjeants at Law,

Attorney or Solicitor to King, Queen, or Prince, as Barons of the Exchequer, or Recorders. The Recorders of London, York, Bristol, Norwich, Nottingham, Exeter, Coventry, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Southampton, Northampton and Stamford all seem to have been lawyers; and to be its Recorder was almost a sure introduction to Parliament from the city or borough which possessed the court of record. Over 20 recorders were at some time, and often repeatedly, M.P.; but always for city or borough.

The M.P.s who were probably lawyers, though they never attained legal office, number over 250, and that number would be increased if we knew who entered at the other Inns of Court. However, they did not exceed 10 per cent. of the Commons. Many coroners and many escheators were lawyers, but it was certainly no rule of the Treasury.

SERVANTS OF THE NOBILITY

Probably there were few in the Commons who did not consider themselves somebody else's servant. The social structure was built up on relationship and clientage. One remembered one's second cousin "with advantages", and, if able to write, signed "your most obedient servant" with intention. The 140 M.P.s who come under this category were demonstrably attached to various great personages, and held their seats by reason of that patronage. But they were mostly servants in just the sense that "Ministers" are now still "King's Servants" when summoned to a Cabinet meeting. Many of them were also bailiffs, receivers, chamberlains and stewards of "my lord's" court and domains.

The Mowbray-Howard dukes of Norfolk controlled Bramber, Horsham, Gatton, Lewes, Reigate, Shoreham, and with so many opportunities their servants naturally head the list. Sir Humphrey Talbot, the Timperleys and Southwells, Townshend and a dozen more were Norfolk's men. York had at his back Sir William Oldhall the Speaker, Sir Roger Ree, Sir John Popham, Sir Andrew Ogard, Sir Edmund Mulso, Sir Leonard Hastings, and half a dozen squires, etc. Exeter, the Lord Admiral, had Sir Robert Vere, his Chamberlain, and a following from Devon and the west. Humphrey of Gloucester, even in his declining years, had Sir Roger Chamberlain, William Say, Dr. Somerseth, Needham, and the Welshman, Morgan Meredith. The Duke of Buckingham controlled Stafford, Bedwin and Bletchingley, and had Whitgreve, Trussel, the Hexstalls, Delamare, Heaton, and a Staffordshire following; Bray too rose as the servant of the Stafford House. Clarence's servants sat in the Commons; if fewer can be definitely attached to Warwick, it is because in his heyday the names of the M.P.s are mainly lost. But the Dukes of Somerset and of Bedford, the Earls of Arundel and of Essex, Lords Beaumont, Hastings, Hungerford, Cromwell, Welles,

Stafford of Southwick, Zouche, all had their men in the Commons. Whitoxmede, FitzJames and Long were the men of the Bishop of Salisbury. The Bishops of Winchester controlled Downton, Hindon, Taunton, Farnham, and seated their servants; the Abbess of Wilton placed hers, and so did many of the ecclesiastical peers. When Nicholas Girlington was returned for Westmorland in 1447 he brought with him to the Bury Parliament his servant Harwood as member for Appleby. Indeed the listing and affiliating of the clientage might be continued indefinitely.

RELATIVES OF PEERS

Knights of the Shire were mostly related to Lords by blood or marriage. Thirty sons of Lords sat in the Commons; sons-in-law, nephews, brothers-in-law, make up a formidable total. The ruling class was small and all intermarried. St. Leger married Anne of Exeter the King's sister, and Manners married their only daughter; William Paston, Member for Newcastle-under-Lyme, married the daughter of the Duke of Somerset; Strelley was brother-in-law to Cardinal Kemp; Sir Richard Haute was first cousin to Queen Elizabeth Wydville. Hungerfords, Talbots, Staffords, Fiennes, filled the House with family parties. Sir William Knyvet was son-in-law successively to Lord Grey of Ruthyn, the Duke of Buckingham, and Viscount Beaumont. Thomas Grey was nephew to the Bishop of Ely, Rotherham brother to an Archbishop, and the Mortons were nephews of the Cardinal. While these relationships might be extended without end, it is just they which have interwoven the two Houses of Parliament, created the social club and common sense, and enabled democracy to destroy caste in England.

M.P.S WHO BECAME PEERS

At no time did the lay hereditary peers summoned to Parliament exceed 55, and sometimes the number was as low as 30—largely owing to attainder or to the omission to summon men either absent from the realm, or poor, or opposed to the Government of the day. Yet 25 Members of the Commons House afterwards sat as lay peers in the Lords; ten of these sat by hereditary right, being summoned as eldest sons on or after their father's death. The others sat because, by summons or patent, they had been raised to the peerage. In many cases such peerages arose after marriage with the heiress of a previous peer.

The Judges and lawyers summoned by Writ numbered some 70, and increased from 8 to 12 per Parliament—15 of these had previously sat in the Commons.

If we had recovered all the names of the M.P.s—3,800 instead of 2,600—then the figures given above of those who sat in the Commons would be increased.

KNIGHTS

The number of Knights in England probably sank to a minimum about 1439. The practice of taking up knighthood, or being styled knight, on succeeding to rents of land worth £20 a year had ended. The Duke of Bedford had never been lavish with knighthoods, the battles and coronations were still to come. The last great "dubbing" had been at the infant King's coronation in 1426. Edward IV, and Richard of Gloucester even before he became Richard III, began to develop a method of reward which the Tudors carried on with calculating success. Observe in these biographies that such men as Throckmorton of Coughton, Hampton of Stourton, and Trevelyan the "Cornish Chough", men of outstanding public service, were never knights—that some lords of Parliament were never knighted—and one can understand that there may not have been 250 knights in all England at the beginning of these 70 years. The number had hardly doubled by 1509. Many are knighted in pedigrees who were never knighted in life.

The public records are careful to give to those they mention the right description as between knight and non-knight, and their references to men of that importance are so numerous that one can generally determine within a year or two when each M.P. became entitled to the suffix. Thus, we can discover about 180 knights of the shire who were knighted before their first election to Parliament, and about 140 were knighted afterwards, that is 320 out of 700 knights of the shire. About one quarter of the county M.P.s were already knights when elected the first time. Likewise about 20, who sat for boroughs, were knights before their election, and 90 more some time later in life. As some of these sat for counties later on, they are included above, and we may take the total knightage in the Commons at about 420. Taking into account the loss of the names in so many Parliaments, we may say that more than 75 per cent. of the knights of England during this period sat at some time in the Commons. Twenty M.P. knights came from the city of London; about the same number came from the Judicial bench. The rest are about equally divided between the soldiers, the rich, and the sons of the nobility.

Knights of the Garter number 22, though Sir Edward Hull, last constable of Bordeaux, and Sir Thomas Kyriell could never be installed—for one was in a French prison and the other was beheaded ten days after nomination.

THE MERCHANT PRINCES

Besides knights and squires and soldiers and lawyers, there was an infinity of trades represented in these 15th century Parliaments, and many borough M.P.s combined many trades, while the style and title

of each trade is given in various ways. "Merchant" is all embracing ; shipowners were merchants and sea captains—and they sat for all ports, and all ports save Fowey were Parliamentary Boroughs. There were mercers, grocers, pewterers, vintners, saddlers, drapers, goldsmiths, tailors, leather-sellers, spicers, stock-fishmongers, brewers, chaloners, fleshers and fletchers or arrowmakers, hostelers, tin-merchants, armourers, clothiers, ironmongers, "potecaries", engrossers, no soap boilers, but embryo engineers such as Guildford and Cobbey, and the first brick and tile manufacturer, William Veysey of London. Many carried on business in London and in the provinces as well, and had their agents in Calais. Ipswich was closely linked with London in this way. As already noted, Henry Birmingham, the Member for Lynn, was *alias* Henry Spurrier of Birmingham, where no doubt he had learnt Birmingham's ancient trade.²

Where a borough still sent resident burgesses in the 15th century (and the 30 largest generally did so), they sent the leading men of the town or city—mayors or ex-mayors, recorders by preference, apparently the richest men. Cannings and Youngs were sent from Bristol ; Thurlands and Allestrys from Nottingham ; while the long and complete list of names sent by the city of London is a succinct epitome of commercial splendour. But they did not sit in Parliament after Parliament ; they took it turn and turn about. "Your old and trusted member" had not yet become a profitable *cliché*. These men lent money to the Crown, received payment in exemption from export duties, and were sent by the Government to Europe to bargain trade agreements. In London, York and Bristol they frequently rose to knighthood ; often they founded the families of our old nobility—Boleyn, Verney, Browne, Canning, Needham, Joscelyn, Capel, etc. ; while Harrow, the fighting mercer, stormed over the breach in the Tower and died in the slaughter at Wakefield.

These were the 26 constituencies that sent the merchant princes of the 15th century :—London, York, Bristol, Norwich, Nottingham, Lincoln, Ipswich, Colchester, Hull, Exeter, Northampton, Winchester, King's Lynn, Worcester, Gloucester, Hereford, Leicester, Southampton, Cambridge, Oxford, Bridgwater, Bath, Barnstaple, Dartmouth, Coventry, Salisbury, Marlborough, Huntingdon. Of these the first dozen very rarely sent any but resident burgesses. This is not the place to discuss representation, electorates and control of the boroughs. It suffices to point out that at the other end of the scale 30 or 40 boroughs never sent a resident burgess at all. Such towns as Stafford and Newcastle-under-Lyme sent but a couple or so each, in all these 70 years of Parliament ;

² Birmingham has always been magnificently irregular in its representation. Compare Sir Charles Wolseley, "Member" for, and Legislative Attorney of, Birmingham in 1819.

they preferred the patronage of a neighbour or to patronise a superior caste. The merchants were not all princes; and, as we may see from the famous case of Walter Clerk, some came to Parliament to avoid bankruptcy.

Though there is but one case of a sheriff returning himself to Parliament in these years, yet there are some 40 cases of mayors being returned during their mayoralty, in many cases by themselves.

THE POPULARITY OF A SEAT IN PARLIAMENT

Though anything in the nature of a poll of the electorate must have been excessively rare, contests by voices or show of hands must have been frequent. There are traces of double returns, but it was rarely worth while to take the dispute to Parliament or the law courts. One can only judge from the *Paston Letters*, and above all from the persons returned as members for the smaller boroughs, that there was keen desire to sit in Parliament. The 16 revived or new boroughs which were added, returning 32 members, show desire for a seat rather than desire for representation. Downton, Gatton and Heytesbury never clamoured for members, but the servants of the Bishop of Winchester or of the Duke of Norfolk, or the Hungerford cadets wanted opportunity or an appanage.

Probably most of these members were unpaid. The opportunity they wanted was a visit to town, to Court. They needed a change more than now—life, instead of stagnation. And then, once at Court, the first rung of the ladder was mounted. We have counted 200 cases where the M.P. got something *sedente Parlamento*, while Parliament was in being at least—and other promises would fructify later. The competition was among the young—the young lawyers, the heirs apparent, the would-be customs officials. Thirty-four were made escheators during the Parliaments in which they sat; 18 were given customs or analagous posts; 58 were put on the bench; 31 were pricked for sheriff—Sir Thomas Hungerford at the age of 19. Every other post and grant came to hand, from King's Chamberlain or command of a fleet to a forestership or an office in the Chancery; nor is all we know one quarter of what must have taken place when they came in contact with the fount of patronage.

FREQUENCY AND EXPERIENCE

Of course the best tests of the popularity of service in Parliament are (1) the number of Parliaments in which the same man sat, and (2) the representation of boroughs by non-residents. In the younger days of Parliament men took the work in rotation. It was a duty rather than an honour—a worry rather than an opportunity. The permanency, the fee simple in a seat, which had arrived by the 18th century, was still unknown in the 15th. On the average, M.P.s sat in just over two Parliaments each. But the passionate desire for representing others at

Westminster had begun. Robert Whitgreve sat certainly in 18, probably in 22 Parliaments and continuously for 30 years ; Soper and Stanney in 13, Tresham, the Speaker, and Sheldwich in 12. Burley, the Speaker, who must be classed with Coke, Young and Say as the best Parliamentary of the century, sat almost continuously from 1417 to 1455 in 19 Parliaments, and held his position not by wealth but by merit. Eighty men sat in 6 Parliaments or more. Of course 15th century Parliaments were short and frequent, but no man of our age has sat in more than 15 Parliaments (the limit of Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Villiers), and the average is under three.¹

“ CARPET-BAGGERS ”

The representation of county or town by a non-resident distinguishes our Parliamentary usage from that of America, and is of such outstanding importance that it must be dealt with elsewhere throughout the century. It is enough to say here that the practice grew slowly like all else in our constitution ; the Lists Volume will show how slowly. But at all times there are gradations, hard to split into categories. The burgess resident in the town shades into the retired merchant living outside, and he into the local gentry, or into an adventurous native who has made London his home and the Law Courts his career. Such were the burgesses ; non-residence was rarer in the counties. The knight of the shire had property in many counties—an excuse for intrusion far from home. But in normal counties, where local competition was strong, the resident held the field. In small or very distant counties—Middlesex, Rutland, Northumberland, Westmorland, Cumberland or Cornwall, a non-resident might occasionally become knight of the shire even in the 15th century—there are a dozen such cases. In small boroughs it was much more frequent.

If we class as “ carpet-bagger ” only those who lived outside the *county* in which the borough was situated, there are 300 such carpet-baggers out of 2,000² borough M.P.s. If we included all who were strictly non-resident in the area represented, more than half the borough M.P.s would be included. The volunteer was already forgoing his wages ; the townsmen were obliging powerful neighbours. Already in some small boroughs the electors had ceased to be considered seriously, and officials at either end arranged the representation. The idea of an M.P. being a delegate *ad hoc* was breaking down. If a seat in Parliament was not so greatly desired as in the following two centuries, it was a far more popular ambition than in the preceding century, and officials were the pioneers of the change. Andrew Keeble of the Exchequer is a perfect example of such a carpet-bagger.

¹ Mr. Lloyd George is now in his 14th Parliament.

² About 100 M.P.s sat for boroughs *and* for counties at various times.

CHANGE OF SEAT

With "carpet-baggers" came the possibility of change of constituency. In the 14th century it was a rare occurrence, by 1509 it had become almost as common as today. Some 80 changed upwards from borough to county; it was a natural aspiration. Some 40 changed downwards from county to borough; if the best was not available, they chose the second best. Whittoxmede, whose name so sorely puzzled the editor of the *Paston Letters*, sat for seven boroughs in nine (perhaps 13) Parliaments between 1433 and 1475, and he sandwiched in Wilts county in the middle. Sir John Seymour sat for Hindon and Wilts alternately and impartially. Sir Alexander Hody, the lawyer, sampled Shaftesbury, Bridgwater, Somerset, Somerset, Bridgwater, before he fell at Towton.

In all other countries at this time a great gulf separated landowner from burgess. Such representatives or delegates as those countries then had, never met together on anything like equal terms. They were different orders. Wealth counted and still counts, but it is impossible to overestimate the influence and social effect that Parliament (both its Houses) had in breaking down caste, in making all equal before the law and the tax-collector, and in producing the freest country in the world. In this process "carpet-baggers" and change of seat played a great part. Such change could hardly have happened, had it not been for the continued existence of the small boroughs, where men of lower caste elected and were courted by men of higher caste seeking a position of dignity and advantage. It is noteworthy that, after declining in numbers for 160 years, throughout these 70 years the number of boroughs continues to grow. The career was open to the talents of all educated men, particularly to the lawyers.

THE AGES OF THE M.P.S

A further light on the popularity of a seat in the House can be drawn from the age at which men were first elected. Though men certainly matured earlier, responsible officials, such as mayors, bailiffs, sheriffs and J.P.s, were generally over 30, more usually 40 or more. The exceptions are men of outstanding wealth or position. If serious responsible work had to be done for the borough at Westminster, mature wisdom and standing would have been chosen. But, if it did not much matter, then anyone would do, and town or even county could have their pick of volunteers. The man's father or patron was of more importance to their choice than the man, and ambition is the prerogative of youth.

So that about 150 were, probably, less than 25 years old when first they went to Parliament—30 at least were under age. George Stanley,

lord Strange, sat for Lancashire before he was of age; so did Thomas Hungerford for Wilts; William Stourton sat for Dorset at 16, Henry Long for Old Sarum at 15. Particularly the sons of local peers started young and seem to have preferred their county for the experiment. It was always, even to our own day, more respectable to sit for a county seat. The knights of the shire wore spurs, as now they wear spats.

If they matured and started earlier, they died earlier too. Perhaps the average age at death of the 15th century M.P. would work out at 58, bar accidents. (The accidents were such as would be fatal in any case.) Yet some twenty were still elected to Parliament after they were 65. William Eland was 69 the last time he sat for Hull, Sir John Scudamore, who was or was not beheaded, sat for Herefordshire at 69, and the two finest Lancastrian warriors, Sir Richard Tunstall and Sir Edmund Montfort, came back from the dead, sat for Yorkshire and Gloucestershire, and made their last bow to Mr. Speaker aged respectively 67 and 69. Sir William Taylor was returned for the city in 1483 aged 76; but Richard Quatremains holds the record at 78; he had seven lives.

BYE-ELECTIONS

While it is true that the desire for a seat in Parliament, and the number of such seats, was increasing throughout these 70 years, yet there is no trace of a new writ being made out to fill a vacancy in representation caused by the death of a sitting member. Of about 20 of these members, we can surely say that they died during the Parliament to which they were elected, but no new writ or fresh member has ever been found. The office of Clerk of the Crown in Chancery existed, but it was no part of his duties to make out a new writ. It is probably true that when any peer (ecclesiastical, lay or lawyer) died during the currency of a Parliament, no new writ of summons was issued to his successor in title or in office. Bye-elections were not in fact invented till the days of Thomas Cromwell and the Reformation Parliament of 1529-36. Leicestershire was represented in 1455 by Sir Leonard Hastings—of York's Council, in York's Parliament—father of the famous Chamberlain; he died long before the end of the first session, 20 Oct. 1455, and even he was not replaced.

If a man was elected for two seats, did he make choice as now for which he would sit? No, for there were no bye-elections. Double representation was less prevalent than in the 14th century, because the demand for a seat was greater, though the Cinque Ports (which still paid wages) sometimes pooled members for any session after the first. When Fitzwilliam was bruited for Speaker after his election by the city

but before the Parliament met, he promptly got returned for Lincolnshire as well ; and the city, without any new writ, elected someone else in his place, so that their four might be there when Parliament met.

THE VIOLENCE OF POLITICS

While Parties and Politics throughout this period were mainly dynastic, yet even so the undercurrent of division in both Houses was ever between those who were " for " and those " against " the Government of the day. They were the " Outs " and " Ins " even before the decision was taken into the hands of the fighters (in 1455). When the " Outs " won they got some office, and the expelled officials lost salaries and grants, were lucky if they were not murdered. Acts of Resumption were, from the 1449-50 Act onwards, the normal weapon to oust a Government. They became something in the nature of a default—salaries and the equivalent of salaries ceased. New grants financed the new ministers, till they too in turn suffered " resumption " or attainder.

But most of the changes of Government were revolutionary and involved fighting. About fifty of these M.P.s are known to have fallen in civil war ; forty more were beheaded, some immediately after defeat in battle, some after long imprisonment. The less lucky were hanged, drawn and quartered. As one must depend largely on chroniclers for these figures, and as they never chronicled the slayings of the lesser folk, the numbers of those killed and beheaded should be considerably increased. But as the chroniclers were apt to record and exaggerate rumour, many they " killed " did not die. Grimsby was " killed " at Towton and at Tewkesbury, but seems to have got back to Parliament in spite of both exaggerated reports. Scudamore, FitzHarry, and others may be cited as proving the inaccuracy of the 15th century war correspondent. The beheaded include the best and worst of both Parties, from Sir Thomas More and John Dudley to Sir James Tyrell and Sir Thomas St. Leger.

With the attainted we are on surer ground. About 95 passed through that crisis. Sir Nicholas Latimer and Speakers Tresham and Oldhall suffered attainder twice and escaped. The Act of Attainder of 1484 contained the longest list of victims, but so far as 30 M.P.s were concerned they nearly all escaped with their lives from Richard's *brutum fulmen*, and lived to get their own back on Bosworth Field.

THE SPEAKERS

The most important man in each Parliament was Mr. Speaker—important to the members, and even more important to Government. We know the names of the Speakers in all the 26 Parliaments that met during these 70 years—all save one. The unsolved problem is,

who was Speaker in that 1470-1 Parliament called by Warwick in the name of the "Readepted" Henry VI. It was probably Thomas Tresham, who had been Speaker in 1459.

Once a knight (Popham) chosen for Speaker excused himself—no wonder as he had not sat before and was a soldier straight from France (Nov. 1449). Once a Speaker (Thorpe) was sent to the Fleet prison, and even the House could not get him out; the Commons were forced to choose someone else (1454). One Speaker only (Oldhall) had never sat in the House before. Eight met with a violent end. William Tresham presided over four Parliaments, Sir John Say over three, Burley, Allington and Englefield over two. All were knights of the shire, none burgesses. Fitzwilliam, recorder of and elected for the city, being picked on by the King for Speaker, swiftly got put up for Lincolnshire, and the city elected another in his place—in his case government picked its man and all was certainly arranged before ever Parliament met (1489). Most of the Speakers were lawyers; some were of the King's Household, and others—Say, Thorpe and Wood—were officials of the Treasury, nearly all must have been Crown recommendations. "They"—the House or the Cardinal—must have chosen Burley of Salop in 1437 and 1445 for his immense experience. York, not the Crown, must have chosen Oldhall (1450). The mystery is who chose that most insignificant of all Speakers, John Green, in 1460.

Many ex-Speakers continued to sit long after they had ceased to be Speaker, e.g. Bowes, who had been Speaker in 1435. Probably all, save Oldhall and Green, had had good experience of the House before they occupied the chair; but Say was Speaker first at 26 and Mordaunt at 27. Owing to overlapping, the lives of 23 Speakers will be found among these biographies, and five of these twenty-three are omitted from the *Dict. Nat. Biog.* A comparison of the two accounts of Sir Robert Drury will show the advance in knowledge of these men that has taken place in the last 40 years. A closer study of the Speakers and of their "rewards" and offices and party affiliation will appear in a later volume.

THE RANK AND FILE

The lives of the rank and file throw an infinity of light on this dark age. There is Bartholomew Halley amending a Bill in the interest of his patron; Hanchett (*alias* Hansey) "catiff and villain" according to Perkyn Warbeck; Harrington and Edmund Talbot, who chased down the wretched fugitive Henry VI, and Tunstall, who fought to give him time to fly; Hoo, whose tongue saved him at St. Albans; Hulcote, who married Queen Elizabeth's nurse; Rowland and Gunter, the naturalised alien merchants; Babylon Graundfote, whose name alone is worth preserving; Sir Christopher Furness, poor knight of Windsor; Sir Robert

Wingfield, both times returned by his brother the sheriff ; Sir Christopher Talbot, killed by his servant with a tilting lance, and no man knows if it was an accident ; the suicide of Walter Plush ; Tudenham, who committed the " orryble wrongs " ; the sad result of the pacifism of Mr. Hedges ; Humphrey Stafford of Grafton, whom they dragged out of sanctuary ; Sir Humphrey Stanley who sat his horse while Chetwynd was murdered on Tixall Heath ; Sir Davy Philip, tutor to the infant heirs of the nobility, and his friend Davy Cecil, ancestor of that famous House ; Poynings, the radical aristocrat, who was sword bearer to Jack Cade ; Portaleyn, called " Magister " ; Sir Andrew Ogard, from Aagard in Denmark, whose name was Pedersen ; Arthur Ormesby who died on pilgrimage to Jerusalem ; Nanfan who governed Jersey and had Wolsey for his chaplain ; Sir Sampson Norton, who was hooted by the troops at Calais ; Alderman Malpas whose house was sacked by Cade ; Morgan Meredith, who came from Carmarthen and had letters of " denization " that he might sit for Dover ; John Middleton who brought the water to Fleet St. ; Mytton, mayor of Shrewsbury, who allowed Henry Tudor to enter over his prostrate body ; Kyriel who drove de Brézé out of Sandwich ; Wryth who became Wriothsesley just as Snooks became Sevenoaks ; and all the books in Leynton's will. We have in this volume a microscopic cross-section of the makers of England. We have even their sports ; for cricket see Combe and Larwood ; for horse racing and betting see Will White ; for cross-bow competitions see Sir Edward Burgh. If Scales and Talbot were the champion jousters, Haute carried off the prize for sprinting in full hosting harness.

MEN AND FAMILIES ABSENT

Not all the makers of England are in the cross section ; not all sat in either House of Parliament. But the omissions are few and would be fewer did we know the missing names in the lost Parliaments. We may have missed in this way Sir William Stanley, Sir Charles Somerset, Sir Ralph Percy who " kept the bird in his bossom ", Lord Henry Stafford, husband to the Lady Margaret, Poynings the Lord Deputy, the first of the Spencer grazier kings, the Russell who spoke Spanish, Ratcliff and Collingbourne who wrote of " The Rat ", the bastard Faucomberg, honest Judge Markham, Thwaites and Witham, Chancellors of the Exchequer, and many another who probably at some time sat in the Commons.

Save for Richard Dudley, Chancellor of Salisbury, who sat under age and before taking orders, all churchmen are absent from the cross section. Moreover most of the judges and barons of the Exchequer never sat in the Commons. The peerage is not missing from the

biographies. There is no lack of eldest or other sons of barons, or of peers to be. There are younger sons of earls and viscounts, i.e. two or three Talbots, Sir Humphrey Bourchier, etc.; but no eldest son of any duke, marquess, earl or viscount. Evidently for some a seat in the Commons was still a degradation. There was still some hiatus between mere barons and the higher peerage. The eldest son sitting in the Commons, so usual today, began in the next century, appropriately with a Russell. Perhaps even then these eldest sons stood in the Lords on the steps of the throne.

Few indeed of the knightly county families go unrepresented through these 70 years. Some that were once knightly, and had in former centuries provided their full quota of knights of the shire, had fallen in standing and were yet to rise again. But those so missing are few; Aston of Tixall, Giffard of Chillington, etc. In most cases where the 14th century family had ended, it had ended in heiresses, and from these new families had sprung. Those old families, beloved of the novelist, which "go back to the Conquest", often preserve pedigree at the expense of distinction—the perilous distinction of the Feudal Age. Names on a naked pedigree keep minor gentry out of the risks of politics, and the old families which perdured were so often minor. It is very largely the founders of new families who appear in and rise through these Parliaments. They had ancestors no doubt, and they have been found ancestors; but in this volume really begin the power and glory of Townshend, Verney, Cecil, Russell, Hobart, Brandon, Paulet, Capel, Paston, Wentworth, Browne, Digby, Sidney, Canning, or Lee of Quarendon and Virginia.

COAT ARMOUR

It is these 15th century founders for the most part whose coat armour we illustrate in this volume. If a family sent members to Parliament in any earlier period, and if contemporary evidence shows that these earlier representatives bore arms, then those arms will be illustrated in an earlier volume and not in this one. We cannot repeat Harcourt, Bagot, Berkeley, Bellars, Strickland, Charlton, Harington, Throckmorton, Tyrell, Vernon, Constable, Croft, Curwen, Corbet, Hotham, Melton, Savile, Stapleton, Stafford, Nevill, Stourton, Grey, Widdrington and Wake in volume after volume.

But, in every case, whether in this volume or in earlier ones, the evidence that the man bore arms must be contemporary. We cannot take 16th century Visitations as evidence for the 15th century. Glass windows are suspect (Stewart), brasses are sometimes too posthumous, coffins have been made legible (Shipway), all in the interest of family prestige. But seals on original deeds, contemporary rolls of

arms, a few grants of arms by Crown or lord, and certain tombs and brasses provide nearly one quarter of our 2,600 M.P.s with proved coat armour of satisfactory probity. The list, with the name, the blazon, and the evidence, will appear at the end of the Lists volume. The *novi homines* here illustrated are in that list distinguished by an asterisk; so far as possible the earlier volumes in which the illustrations of others should appear will also be indicated.

The shield, the helm, and the horse-trappers had, however, ceased by 1439 to be matters of everyday cognisance. They had passed into the realm of my lady's embroidery, a private matter of pride and family industry. The great controversies were over, and quarterings were being collected without stay or scruple. These complications and elaborations had necessitated other forms of cognisance—colours and a badge. Intermediate between arms and badge was the banner carried by the banneret in the field. But my lord's badge and his livery of murrey and green was on every serving man and jockey lounging about the gate of his inn.

On those rare occasions when Anthony, lord Scales, or Sir Christopher Talbot rode in the lists, they may have carried match-board crests over their jousting helmets, but not when they rode to war. In the streets of St. Albans the Warwick bear with ragged staff and the Stafford knot had forgotten and left 200 years behind the simple individualist shields of Evesham; while at Barnet, de Vere's silver star, fatally mistaken for Edward's bursting sun, caused the ruin and death of the Last of the Barons.

PARLIAMENTARY REPRESENTATION

Parliament, as a true mirror of England, has always been, above all else, a body with grievances against the ruler. When once it started growling, and by good luck got its way, a Parliament became as necessary a part of England as the sea, or the Royal Family, or *The Times* newspaper. The English dislike of rulers ensured the continued existence of Parliament, even as it now ensures the swing of the pendulum (more or less) at each general election. Legislation was an afterthought in the development of Parliament. Petitions were presented about grievances, and the answer to those petitions became a charter or law—unless *le Roy s'avvysera*. It was some centuries—indeed, after the 15th century had almost run its course—before the Commons thought of themselves as making laws, of drawing up a Bill without waiting for the petition, of enacting instead of petitioning. As for the voting of Supply, it was the price they paid, grudgingly. Parliament threw a tenth or a fifteenth to their ruler, and with great trouble secured, bit by bit, the control of the revenues so raised.

REASONS FOR PERMANENCE

When Parliaments started in England, similar institutions started also in other lands, notably in France and Spain. Grievances existed there also, especially the need for a supreme court of justice. But abroad the expression of the twin desires—of the people for justice, of the Crown for support—led to two parallel national institutions ; the Parlements became law courts, the National Assembly became the States General or Cortes. The first met regularly, and became established as the Parlement of each French province ; the assemblies were called *ad hoc*, and died out as the Crown needed them less. In England, almost by accident, the two elements were combined. The assembly was summoned occasionally to “afforce” the supreme court of justice ; gradually the two combined. Parliament which had met three times a year at the three legal terms, *generally without* any representative element, gradually met more rarely and *always with* the representative element. During the change M.P.s became paid.

This had a double effect. Because the constituents had to pay, many boroughs ceased to send representatives—the body became smaller and more manageable. On the other hand, men desired more to be elected. A vested interest was set up. Vested interests grow imperceptibly, but are particularly hard to upset in England. If Edward II had been a stronger king, or if his reign had been less disturbed, he might well have stopped payment of members, or reduced the high rate of pay—4s. a day for knights of the shire, 2s. a day for burgesses—the equivalent of £8 and £4 today. He did not ; and by 1327 the vested interest was established. Not one quarter of the boroughs were still paying the full rate of pay in 1439, because by then they could get their own people to go for less and outsiders for nothing ; but it is probable that the habit of payment did stabilise the union of law court and “national assembly” into regular Parliaments. The Great Councils, where representatives were not paid, died out as did their counterparts in France and Spain and Germany ; the English Parliament endured.

MANNER OF ELECTIONS

The writs, then as now, were sent out from the Chancery to the sheriffs, to summon a new Parliament. These writs were to be returned within 40 days bearing the names of those elected to serve. Normally the county elections were made in the first full county court held after the receipt of the writ. The county court met once every 28 days, generally but not always at the shire town. On Penenden Heath or in the yard or hall of the Royal castle at Nottingham or Newcastle they met together and nominated and elected the Knights of the Shire. The court met

regularly ; each county had its own county day, a Monday in one county, a Tuesday in another, and so on. The candidates for the county saw to it that a crowd of their supporters, of all orders, rode to the county town to make the noise of a majority. Normally, the magnates did not themselves attend ; their stewards did their best to make the election, after consultation no doubt and in harmony with the sheriff. There would generally be rivalry, but the nomination day was election day too ; shout or show of hands supported each nomination. A process of trial and error may have taken place, for in theory an election still had to be unanimous. Strong objection might lead to the names of a fresh couple being offered. When at last the sheriff was satisfied that he had the names of the popular two a selection of the leading squires and gentlemen present had to have their names written on the indenture as being parties to the election. If the sheriff's decision was very much to outrage the crowd they had a more direct and forcible method of disputing the return than by election petition—especially as the treating of electors can be traced back to 1467.

Occasionally returns were disputed, and rival returns made by unauthorised bodies ; occasionally the sheriff was not present nor (apparently) represented. Parliament itself seems to have judged such returns. But the normal complaint was a suit at common law by the defeated (injured) candidate against the sheriff, by which satisfaction was rarely obtained and the seat never even asked for—obviously in those days of short Parliaments any decision would be too late. There were, of course, no lists of electors, no scrutiny of a man's right to shout, only a vain and vague attempt to indicate that smaller men than 40s. freeholders were not supposed to take part. It may be said generally that the local lords wrote to the sheriff, and the sheriff tried to please them all, and that he usually "got away with the goods" on a compromise.

BOROUGH ELECTIONS

Elections in the boroughs were often a complicated matter of indirect election. Four chose two, and those six another six, and those twelve others, and the final hotch-potch chose the two burgesses to Parliament. Or sometimes the XXIV chose, and sometimes the "community", whatever that might be. Generally the people ratified by acclamation. There was naturally less excitement than over choosing the mayor. After the election two or four attended the county court and informed the sheriff, who placed the names either in and with the county indenture, or on a schedule attached thereto. The cities and larger boroughs had indentures to themselves, with all the electors' names, just like any county. Magnates sent letters recommending their

friends and servants, often to be met with the profound apology that the town had already chosen someone else. The Warden of the Cinque Ports conceived that he had a claim to nominate for at least one seat in each port; and the Ports themselves were most anxious to avoid allowing or extending that precedent. The Duchy of Lancaster claimed to nominate one of the members for Newcastle-under-Lyme and seems to have been successful; though not so at Leicester, the other Duchy borough.¹ In the next century the Chancellors of the Duchy were claiming the same privilege in all the freshly represented Duchy boroughs—Liverpool, Wigan, Preston, Lancaster, Hertford, Clitheroe and Higham-Ferrers. “The prescription of the Chancellor (of the Duchy) is to have the nomination of one of the burgesses in every one of the Duchy towns. It hath been so in his remembrance and is ancient. *Error temporum*”—so said Fortescue, Chancellor of the Duchy, in 1614.

THE MINDS OF THE MEMBERS

What manner of men were these who coalesced in Parliament? Of what they wrote or said or thought we have hardly a glimpse. Very rarely are they commented on in any contemporary document. The *Paston Letters* and, far behind, the Cely Papers, the Trevelyan or the Plumpton correspondence, or the Rutland MSS., give an occasional comment; very rarely we have the letters they wrote, but their thoughts are not in them. Of Poynings we know that “many a good man’s heart he hath”; of Sir Thomas Cook, that he was “a man of great boldness in speech and well spoken and singularly witted and well-reasoned”. So says Fabian, and Fabian should know, for his brother sat in the House with Cook 1470–1.

THEIR WILLS

But we have their wills, and even if they did not write them, these wills must express much that was in the man at the end. Judged from their wills, their feelings were usually rather like our own. Love of wife and child, the memory of parents and the place afar where they were born. To be buried beside my wife is an almost universal wish; sons to be set to trade; daughters’ marriage portions—these things occupied their minds. Catesby’s “my wife to whom I have always been true of my body”, compels one to see a different side to Richard III’s “Cat”.² Sir Humphrey Stafford seeking to restore all he had wrongfully taken, is so different from the grasping favourite one knows.

¹ East Grinstead may also have been a Duchy borough in the 15th century.

² “The Rat, the Cat, and Lovell the dog,
Rule all England under the Hog”.

So wrote John Collingbourne, for which Richard III had him hanged, drawn, and quartered.

Charitable bequests were of almost modern pattern—bridges to build, roads to repair, maidens to be married, scholars to send to Oxford or Cambridge.

They had all our weaknesses too ; the wish to be remembered. They specify their tombs with their arms painted thereon. Sometimes, rightly doubting their heirs, they build the tomb themselves ; and Quatremaine's tomb is there today with the wrong year of death on it—space being left to fill in some x's, v's and i's, which Richard Fowler, his heir, never troubled to have cut. Some are anxious about their funeral, some demand thereat "as little pomp as may be", some "to be buried where I die".

But I doubt if any M.P.'s will today would exhibit the honesty of Nicholas Statham :—"Item, I received ros. of Bemont (Beaumont) a worshipful squire of the west country by the hands of Page in the last Parliament. I did nothing there for ; and if I did, yet it is against my conscience for so much as I was one of the Parliament and should be indifferent in every matter in the Parliament. I will he have it again."

FEAR OF DEATH

Where they differed from us was in an all-pervading fear of the hereafter. By far the largest bequests were to the Church. They left money for "tithes forgotten", for chantries to pray for themselves and wives and parents, for priests to sing masses—even 20,000 masses ; everything, if only they might get out of purgatory. They did not dare to die unshriven. "From sudden death—Good Lord deliver us" ; that meant no will, no reparation, no hope. If we are sometimes surprised that men surrendered without putting up a better fight, though they knew that death awaited them, we can explain all by a fear of death, from which we in our time are happily free.

FEAR OF INSECURITY

Their other fear was for their family—for the fatherless and the orphan—for the babes in the wood. Such was the state of the law that (save for his Christian name which is absurd), Stevenson's Sir Daniel Brackley was a very real person. The landed gentry spent their whole lives on law suits without end, varied by violence without limit. It may be said of the *Paston Letters* that they deal not with the Pastons but with Sir John Fastolf's will and all the "greatest riots" that will set on foot. When the man died the widow was soon snapped up, lucky if she could get licence to take the veil. The heir's marriage was sold at once, and he went to live with the father of his future wife. Heiresses were in worse plight, so readily did they become the third wife of an old man. Women were property, and one marvels at the strength and character of Margaret Paston, or of the Lady Margaret (Beaufort), three

times married off and a mother at 13. It is significant that no one knows when she married Sir Henry Stafford or the Earl of Derby.

Therefore, their wills differ from all of ours. Besides executors, there are supervisors. The supervisor was the greatest man (or lady) known to the testator—best of all a great ecclesiastic or lawyer. They hoped that the supervisor would see it through probate and the law. Their estates were tangled up with settlements and endless remaindermen, complicated by old and possible future attainders and escheats. False deeds and seisins, concocted pedigrees, unsettled laws, venal lawyers, made security during life impossible, and after death a nightmare. If only a great supervisor would say "Hands off" and keep the wolves away!

PUBLIC OPINION AND PUBLIC STANDARDS

These biographies show little sexual immorality. A very few wills mention possible mistresses or bastards; some mention "my lovers" but obviously mean "dear friends", and the very use of the word makes it clear that our sinister interpretation was unknown. The male bastards of the great men are known—Faucomberge, the two Hollands, Arthur Plantagenet, Charles Somerset, Owen, Tuddenham, the bastard of Grafton, perhaps Vaughan and the Tudors and a very few others. The squires' wives are known, and one squire married a bastard daughter of an Earl of Suffolk. The church ruled men's minds; and the church was against it. True that John Stafford, Archbishop and Chancellor, was a bastard; but few complaints of that nature against the church seem to be on record.¹ There were pluralists, some imposed upon the dying, robbing widow and orphan, some rack-rented their tenants, the townsmen raged against them in Norwich, Salisbury and Winchester; their sanctuary at St. Martin's le Grand was an Alsatia and an offence to the city of London; but if gross immorality occurred, it seems to have escaped record. Abbeys were taken over to be administered, but the mismanagement seems usually to have been financial. Nor is there any trace of nepotism in the Italian sense. Cardinal Morton's nephews were real nephews. The relations of ecclesiastics who got into Parliament were remarkably few. That, however, may only seem to be so because of the prevalent ecclesiastical habit of taking a new surname from the place whence they came—unless indeed they were of the noble families—Beauchamp, Nevill, Grey, Stafford, Bourchier, Scrope, etc.

King Edward IV is the only King pointed at for immorality, and such a fuss was and has been made of it, that one may well suppose it exceptional at the time. Richard III bastardising his brother's children and then contemplating marriage with his niece, probably

¹ But Prof. Pollard, to whose *Evolution of Parliament* this History is due, points to *Cal. Papal Regrs.* 1458-71, published 1933, as evidence of the illegitimacy of at least four other bishops.

shocked England more than the murder of the Princes in the Tower.

Sir James Tyrell was a cold murderer ; Sir Thomas St. Leger was probably worse ; Edward IV was somewhat bloody ; Richard III out-matched King John ; the two Queens Elizabeth were contemptible ; Queen Margaret smacks of the Italy of that day. If we knew as much of the 2,600 as we know of these, should we find them to be as bad ? Probably not. Power brings out the worst, not only in those who wield it but in their tools ; so that the historical figures may well be worse than the average. The English 2,600 were no longer so blood-thirsty and brutal as their masters or their neighbours. Is this possible, having regard to French and civil wars ?

The evidence is overwhelming. Compare Jack Cade's rising with any Jacquerie ; compare its suppression with any such. The universal pardon, followed by the election of Poynings for Sussex, reads like a joke. For the Cornish rising which marched in arms from Cornwall to Blackheath three men were hanged. Nicholas le Faunt they hanged at Canterbury in 1471, and it made a tremendous impression. All the killings are remembered ; poor Burdett of Arrow, the eight captains after Mortimer's Cross ; Salisbury's and York's heads on York city gates, the killings after Tewkesbury. All that is remembered of Tiptoft, lord Treasurer and patron of the arts, is that he impaled (dead) men, and for that he died—he alone—in the revolution of Oct. 1470. The execution of Mrs. Ankaret Twynhe finished Clarence. The English reaction to cruelties seems inevitable. Because of the attainders of 1459, the attainted Earls came back and walked through England. Because Queen Margaret's northern host plundered as in France, London shut her gates and Margaret's cause was lost. Plundered Stamford and Grantham were given the right to send members to Parliament ! But the reaction to Richard III was the most striking. He certainly did his best to buy support ; he scattered largesse as no King had done before. He attainted and pardoned with desperation. Yet he could hardly get gentlemen to sit on the county bench, such was the national nausea. It overcame the fear of him. At the last, a pennyless alien adventurer was enough to upset his throne.

Again, the persecution of lollards and heretics had died down, had become a thing to be excused to people. Torture was sufficiently rare to be remarkable. Sir Thomas à Malory, ever in prison, wrote of chivalry, whereas Dante, in exile, delighted to picture his enemies in hell. Political murder was a commonplace on the continent. Yet when Warwick was hustled in Westminster Hall or Parr suffered in the same place at the hands of Bellingham, the mere thought that murder was intended sent Parliament livid with indignation. Then there are these wills containing no hint of hate or vengeance.

WHY LESS CRUEL

As for the reason of this comparative civilisation of the English governing class, it may be attributed to the Church and Parliament—one had principles and some great men as guides, was moreover on the defensive ; the other created public opinion and used it against violence. They had already begun to see the other side. Neither Church nor Parliament was so afraid of the Executive as to silence criticism. Free men are not cruel ; and the English of the 15th century were freer than the rest of the world and had begun to take a pride in that distinction of their race. They too were soon to fall prostrate, but for the time they despised the continental slavishness and savagery.

APOLOGIA AND DEDICATION

This work is first a pious call upon the Members of Parliament of both Houses. It is their record ; their friends ; their life. That life combines the mental gymnastics of college with the fresh wind of the outer world. Fellow members are the staunchest friends man ever had. There is no other Parliament like the English. For the ordinary man, elected to any senate from Persia to Peru, there may be a certain satisfaction in being elected. He is to be at least among the rulers ; the plaudits of supporters are in his ears ; he has the envious admiration of his old associates ; perhaps even nobler aspirations may be gratified. But the man who steps into the English Parliament takes his place in a procession which has been filing by since the birth of English history.

Men with long swords and short daggers were his predecessors, as they rode to Westminster over Dunsmore Heath, drinking ale in the taverns of Coventry and Towcester. Men with spiked shoen disputed loudly, in the terms he still uses, about the insolence of York and the profusion of Warwick. In slashed breeches and ruffed collars they denounced the bishop of Rome and clamoured for the internment of all recusants. " The country was going to the dogs " under Cromwell, just as it was under Gladstone, as the members walked two and two into a Palace Yard that was " New " in 1600, or called for torches at " who goes home." York or Lancaster, Protestant or Catholic, Court or Country, Roundhead or Cavalier, Whig or Tory, Liberal or Conservative, Labour or National—they all fit into that long pageant that no other country in the world can show. And they one and all pass on the same inextinguishable torch—burning brightly or flickering—to the next man in the race, while freedom and experience ever grow. These men who have gone by, who have had the glimmer of the torch on them for a little time, are those whose acts and minds I want to rescue from oblivion, and in so doing to reincarnate the Parliaments which made us.

If dedication were needed for this history, I would dedicate to my friends, the honourable and gallant members for Mid-Antrim and East Clare, for North Ayrshire and East Tyrone, for St. Austell, for Prestwich and for Heywood, for Cardiff and Winchester, for Uxbridge, Tewkesbury, Thirsk and Malton, Henley, Spalding, Wisbech, Manchester, Ross, Canterbury, Bath, and the Gladstone who sat for Kilmarnock—to those who died for the greater glory of this honourable House.

Men that are men again, “ Who goes home ? ”
Tocsin and trumpeter ! “ Who goes home ? ”
For there’s blood on the field and blood on the foam,
And blood on the body when man goes home.
And a voice valedictory, “ Who is for victory ?
Who is for liberty ? Who goes home ? ”

JOSIAH C. WEDGWOOD.

HOUSE OF COMMONS,

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ABBREVIATIONS

abp(ric).	..	archbishop(ric).	<i>j.u.</i>	..	<i>jure uxoris.</i>
admttd.	..	admitted.	junr.	..	junior.
apptd.	..	appointed (reapptd., reappointed).	K.B.	..	King's Bench.
ald. ..	..	alderman.	knt(d).	..	knight(ed).
assr.	..	assessor.	lieut.	..	lieutenant.
app.	..	appendix.	<i>m.</i> ..	..	married.
<i>b.</i> ..	..	born.	<i>m.</i> ..	..	marks.
boro'	..	borough.	mercht.	..	merchant.
bp(ric)	..	bishop(ric).	M.I.	..	Monumental inscription.
Brit. Mus.	..	British Museum.	M.P.	..	Member of Parliament.
bro.	..	brother.	<i>op. cit.</i>	..	<i>opere citato.</i>
bur...	..	buried.	ōrs. ..	..	others.
Bodl.	..	Bodleian.	<i>p.</i> ..	..	page.
<i>c.</i> ..	..	<i>circa.</i>	pp. ..	..	pages.
<i>cf.</i> ..	..	compare (<i>confer</i>).	P.C.C.	..	Prerogative Court of Canterbury.
Chan.	..	Chancery.	pr. ..	..	proved.
Chanc.	..	Chancellor.	predecd.	..	predeceased.
ch. ..	..	church.	par.	..	parish.
cit.	..	citizen.	parlt(y).	..	parliament(ary).
C.J.	..	Chief Justice.	qrs.	..	quarters (measure).
co. ..	..	company.	<i>q.v.</i> ..	..	<i>quid vide.</i>
coh...	..	coheir, coheiress.	rem.	..	remarried.
coll...	..	college.	recd.	..	received.
collr.	..	collector.	retd.	..	returned.
comn(s).	..	commission(s).	Ric.	..	Richard.
comnr(s).	..	commissioner(s).	<i>s.</i> ..	..	shillings.
comsnd.	..	commissioned.	<i>s.</i> ..	..	son.
corpn.	..	corporation.	<i>s. and h.</i>	..	son and heir.
<i>D., d.</i>	..	died.	senr.	..	senior.
<i>d.</i> ..	..	pence (<i>zod.</i>).	serjt.	..	serjeant.
D.D.	..	Doctor of Divinity.	sis. ..	..	sister.
da(s).	..	daughter(s).	<i>s.p.</i> ..	..	<i>sine prole.</i>
dat.	..	dated.	<i>s.p.m.</i>	..	<i>sine prole mascula.</i>
decd.	..	deceased.	sq. ..	..	squire.
East.	..	Easter.	step-da.	..	stepdaughter.
Edw.	..	Edward.	step-s.	..	stepson.
eschr.	..	escheator.	surv.	..	surviving, survived, survive.
esq.	..	esquire.	sumnd.	..	summoned.
esp.	..	especially.	<i>temp.</i>	..	<i>tempore.</i>
exchq.	..	exchequer.	thro'	..	through.
<i>ex inf.</i>	..	from information.	unm.	..	unmarried.
exix.	..	executrix.	visct.	..	viscount.
exor(s).	..	executor(s).	<i>v.p.</i> ..	..	<i>vita patris.</i>
<i>fl.</i> ..	..	<i>floruit.</i>	visitn.	..	visitation.
fo. ..	..	folio.	w. ..	..	wife.
gent.	..	gentleman.	Wm.	..	William.
godda.	..	god-daughter.	yr. ..	..	younger.
g.s. ..	..	grandson.	yst. ..	..	youngest.
gt. ..	..	great.			
Hen.	..	Henry.			
h.	..	heir.			
jor. ..	..	journal.			
J.P.	..	Justice of the Peace.			

Paston Letters, edition used—J. Gairdner (1872), except where his (1904) edition is specially mentioned.

Rymer's *Foedera*, edition used—Hague edition (1741).

New style dates have been used throughout.

ABBOTSLEY (ALBOTYSLE), JOHN (1395-1465); of Huntingdon; coroner. M.P. Huntingdon boro' 1420, 1427-8, 1442.

Sworn to the peace in Hunts, probably of Huntingdon town, May 1434; elector of the boro' 1447, 1449 (1), 1450 (then coroner); his feoffees and those of Katherine his wife were sued respecting a messuage in Huntingdon by William Moyne the yr., 1460/5.¹

ABRAHALL (ABURHALE), JOHN (1385-1443); of Gylough² and Eton-Tregoz, esq. M.P. Hereford city 1419; HEREFORDSHIRE 1437, 1439-40, 1442.

S. of Richard Abrahall of the same; *m.* (1) Pelyna, da. of Sir Thomas Whitney, (2) Maud, da. and h. of — Hampton, (3) —, da. and h. of Richard Moore.³

John Aburhall "of Irschenfeld" was one of those who murdered Plowden in 1414; as of Dewchurch, Heref., he was a surety, 1418; he had thrust out David ap Rees from Stranford, Heref., 1419, but was evicted; sworn to the peace in Heref., 1434.

J.P. Herefordshire, 5 Mar. 1437 till death; eschr., Heref., 1417-8, 1439-40; steward of the castle of Brenles, 17 July 1439; on all the Monmouthshire and Herefordshire comns.; acquired Eton-Tregoz about 1442.

D. 27 Apr. 1443,⁴ being at that time receiver of the lordship of Monmouth;⁵ suc. by his s., William, then aged 30, afterwards of Eton-Tregoz; held land in Glos. also.

ABRAHAM, ROBERT (1410-70); of Portsmouth, merchant.⁶ M.P. Portsmouth 1433, 1449-50.

Perhaps s. of Henry Abraham, M.P.⁷

Pledge for Henry Uvedale when elected for Portsmouth in 1467.

ABURY see AUBREY.

ACKLAM (ACCLOME) JOHN (1395-1458); of Scarborough and Cathwaite,⁸ Yorks, esq.; customer of Hull 1454-8. M.P. Scarborough 1421 (2), 1426, 1435, 1437, 1447, 1449-50.

Probably s. either of Henry Acclome,⁹ or of Robert Acclome, M.P. Scarborough 1401-4.

Living in Scarborough, *c.* 1435;¹⁰ sued certain feoffees for land in the fields of Scarborough 1439-40;¹¹ on Yorkshire comns. (mostly in Hull) 1438-54; bailiff of Scarborough, 1440-1, 1445-6; elector, Yorks, 1442, 1447 and 1450; pledge

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.*, 29/43. John Tekyngton, Laurence Jowet, and John Towesland, feoffees of John Abbottesley and Katherine his w.

² Pardon Roll, 24 July 1437 (m.7).

³ Williams, *Parly. Hist. of Herefordshire*, 33.

⁴ *Inq. p.m.*, 21 Henry VI, No. 39.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.*, 15/10.

⁶ Pardon Rolls, 12 July 1437 (m.13); 16 Sept.

⁷ There was also a Richard Abraham, M.P. Portsmouth, 1437.

⁸ Pardon Roll, Nov. 1455 (m.2).

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.*, 12/222.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.*, 10/6.

¹¹ *Early Chan. Proc.*, 9/245.

for the Scarborough M.P.s in 1442 and 1450; granted Letters of Protection for going in the company of Lord Faucomberg for the victualling and keeping of Roxburgh castle, but revoked, June 1447; one of the northern rioters ordered to obey Sir William Lucy, July 1453;¹ collector of customs and subsidy at Hull 1454 to 1457,² ratified by Parlt. 1455; pardoned, Nov. 1455.

Will pr. at York, 17 July 1458.³

ACTON, JOHN (1435-81); of Bewdley, Worc., esq., and of Whittington in Kinver, Staffs. King's servant 1470-80. Steward of Kidderminster. M.P. WORCESTERSHIRE 1478.

S. of Walter Acton; *m.* Cecily, da. of Sir John Clay (*q.v.*), and widow of Sir Robert Green (*q.v.*).

Apptd. Rider of the forest of Kinver, 8 July 1461; ranger of Chaspell and Ashwood in Kinver, 17 Nov. 1461—exempted 1464; sheriff, Staffs, 1467-8; called King's Servitor, he was one of those commd. to seize the lands of the followers of Clarence and Warwick in Apr. 1470; pardoned by Warwick's government, 11 Feb. 1471, "of Whittington, esq., *alias* gent." As serjeant at arms he was sent from Westminster to Lichfield to arrest Robert Arthur, July 1471.⁴ By 1471 he was steward of Kidderminster, also J.P. Staffs., 8 July 1471 to 1475; J.P. Salop 1477 till death. Pardoned, Nov. 1471, "of Whittington, esq., *alias* of Beaudeley, gent." He sat on various Staffs and Salop comns. from Apr. 1471; was Usher of the Chamber by 1474 when Braunston, N'hants, forfeited by Lord Roos, was granted to him; served in France with the King 1475, being paid for one man at arms (himself) and 12 archers.⁵ In 1478, while Parlt. was sitting, he was regranted the stewardship of Kinver.

D., seised of Braunston, about 1 Jan. 1481,⁶ leaving an infant son, Anthony.

ACTON,⁷ THOMAS (1415-80); of Longnor and Aldenham, Salop; lawyer of the Temple and vintner of London.⁸ M.P. Bletchingley 1449 (1); Arundel 1450-1; SALOP 1459. Lancastrian.

S. of William Acton of Longnor, by a da. and coh. of Sir Fulk Sprengheuse (M.P. Salop 1397); *m.* (1) (perhaps) Mary da. of Thomas Horde (M.P. Salop 1459); (2) Jane, da. of Thomas Downe, by whom he had issue.⁹

Appears as bailiff of the liberties of the Bp. of London, 24 Mar. 1447;¹⁰ comnr. Salop 1448-74, Herefordshire 1457-76 (including the Lancastrian comn. of array, 21 Dec. 1459), and Worcs. 1476; J.P. Salop, of the quorum, 1 Mar. 1454 to 1 Sept. 1460, 12 Feb. 1462 till death, and Herefordshire, 28 Nov. 1456 to 2 Nov. 1458; elector, Salop, 1472.

D. 8 Feb. 1480, when Thomas, aged 26, was his s. and h.; lands Salop and Sussex.¹¹

¹ *Privy Coun. Proc.*, vi, 149, 150.

² Issue Rolls, Hen. VI, Nos. 798, etc.

³ *York Wills*, 2, 367.

⁴ Issue Rolls, Edw. IV, No. 844.

⁵ *Foedera*, V. iii. 56.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls*, (1481), p. 226; (1484), p. 419.

⁷ Arms:—Gules crussilly or, two lions passant ar.

⁸ Pardon Roll, 24 Mar. 1447 (m.6).

⁹ Weyman, *Shropshire M.P.s*, 88. His gt. grandfather was Edward de Acton, M.P. Salop 1378, etc.

¹⁰ Pardon Roll, *ut supra*.

¹¹ Inq. *p.m.*, 20 Edw. IV, No. 55.

ADAMS, THOMAS (1425-80); of London and Beds., gent., lawyer.
M.P. Bedford boro' 1472-5, 1478.

Such a man was an attorney, London, on the Plea Rolls of 1450, 1459, 1470, and probably at all other material times; a juror at Newnham, Beds., in 1461;¹ pardoned, July 1462, "of London, gent., *alias* Adam, *alias* Adames, of Co. Beds., gent." (m.18). 40s. was owing to him in Mdsx., 1468, and he was apptd. bailiff of the Hundred of Hertford in 1472.²

ADY, RICHARD (1420-80); servant to Sir John Seymour. M.P. Marlborough 1453-4.

There was prolonged litigation between John Mitchell (*q.v.*) and Sir John Seymour; in 1471 Richard Ady, aged 50 and more, deposed in one of these actions. The events deposed to happened before 1464 and Richard was then a servant to Sir John Seymour.³ He was one of the two under bailiffs of Marlborough in 1472.⁴

AGARD, THOMAS (1410-60); of Foston, Derbys., yeoman. M.P. Derby boro' 1450-1.

A pardon was issued to Thomas Agard of Foston, yeoman, for not appearing to answer Sir John Gresley, whose receiver he had been, 7 Nov. 1440; elector in town and county, 1449 (2).

AILEWYN see ALDWIN.

ALANSON, RICHARD (1415-60/2); of Hull and London.⁵ Servant to Bishop of Carlisle. M.P. Carlisle 1449 (1), 1450-1, 1453-4.

As servant to Marmaduke Lumley, Bishop of Carlisle and Treasurer of England, he was sent riding to Windsor, Nov. 1447.⁶ The treasurer of the East March sued Alanson, as clerk to the bishop, for diverse tallies and other evidences delivered to the bishop by John Lemyngton, late treasurer of the March in 1447.⁷ Apptd., with the assent of the Treasurer, to be controller of customs and subsidies in Hull with 7½d. a day, 1 Apr. 1448; grant renewed for life, 14 July 1449; with Richard Tunstall (*q.v.*) apptd. to the office of change in Calais and of change in England to foreign parts, 8 June 1451; this exchange office was surrendered or abolished, 4 Feb. 1453. Bishop Lumley was Treasurer of England only 1446-9, but Alanson remained at the Exchequer, employed there as late as July 1454.⁸ Alanson, while M.P., was robbed at Islington, Mdsx., 20 Sept. 1453;⁹ he accounted for the

¹ Anc. Indicts. K.B. (Her. Coll.).

² *ibid.*

³ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare; *Early Chan. Proc.* Bundle 42; *Wilts Arch. Mag.* xxxix, 156-7.

⁴ *Wilts Arch. Mag.* i. 288.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1 Nov. 1455, as late of London, gent., late administrator of the goods and chattels which belonged to Nicholas (Close) late Bp. of Coventry and Lichfield (translated from Carlisle to Coventry, Sept. 1452, died c. Jan. 1453), *alias* of Hull.

⁶ Issue Roll, Hen. VI. No. 770.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 19/350.

⁸ Issue Roll, No. 798.

⁹ Anc. Indicts. K.B. (Her. Coll.).

revenues of Burton Abbey, the temporalities of which were entrusted to him, 3 May 1455;¹ had a pardon from the Yorkists after St. Albans, 1 Nov. 1455, whence it appears that he was an official of the bishopric of Carlisle rather than of individual bishops.²

Recently dead, 1 Aug. 1462, when Henry Alanson, grocer of London and bro. and exor. of Richard Alanson, gent., was pardoned.³

ALARD, WILLIAM (1405-60); of Winchelsea, Sussex. M.P. Winchelsea 1429-30, 1437, 1447.

Robert Alard occurs in Winchelsea, 1334.⁴

William was leasing a garden in Westdean to John Bray in 1431;⁵ Mayor of Winchelsea 1437, 1438.⁶ On 9 Jan. 1442 William Pope the King's esquire, bailiff of Winchelsea, was granted a house on "le Keye in le Trecherie" held now by William Alard, forfeit as having been bought from aliens.⁷ Dr. Round says that Alard is a Flemish name.

ALBON (MALBON), WILLIAM (1440-99); of Gorleston, Suff. M.P. Maldon 1469 ("Malbon"), 1472-5 ("Albon").

In all the Maldon Court Books this name is spelt "Malbon"; elsewhere universally "Albon"—including the 1472 return; and there was a Thomas Albon of Sall, Norf. in 1454,⁸ an abbot of St. Albans (1415-76) of the same name, likewise William Albon a bailiff of Yarmouth who d. 1498,⁹ who can hardly be the Maldon M.P. We can only suggest that the "m" of William was passed on to Albon. But William is Bill in English; perhaps the man was of French origin.

Admtd. to freedom of Maldon and returned to Parlt. 1469; one of those "freemen" who failed to appear at borough elections (11 times in succession) 1484-1496.¹⁰ Therefor his admission as freeman was purely formal to qualify him to represent Maldon.

D. 10 Oct. 1499, when Margaret, aged 9 in 1506, was his d. and h.; lands Weston by Gorleston, Suffolk, worth £13 6s. 8d. a year (Albon). But William "Malbon" was a surviving feoffee in Suff. 1499.¹¹

ALBOTYSLE see ABBOTSLEY.

ALBY or ALVY, HENRY. M.P. Guildford 1467-8.

Neither name is to be found in the Patent Rolls or near Guildford, but in 1431 Stephen Alby was M.P. Hythe.

¹ Fine Roll, 33 Hen. VI. (m. 11).

² See note 5 on p. 3.

³ There was a Thomas Alanson, a Cumberland elector, 1453; a James Alanson of Ricardby by Carlisle, pardoned 1460; a Richard Alanson m. a da. and coh. of John Hunt of Wisbeach in 1463/7.

⁴ *Sussex Arch. Soc.* lxi.

⁵ *Sussex Record Soc.* xxix. 480.

⁶ *Sussex Arch. Soc.* xxiii. 33.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1442), 31.

⁸ *Cat. Anc. Deeds* iii. p. 166.

⁹ P.C.C., 23 Horne (will missing).

¹⁰ Maldon Court Books 1/2.

¹¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.* ii. No. 250.

ALCOCK, ROBERT (1430-84); of Hull, merchant and shipowner.
M.P. Hull 1478.

S. of William Alcock, merchant of Hull, and bro. of John Alcock, bishop of Ely and of Worcester.¹

Pardoned as merchant of Hull, Oct. 1455;² Sheriff of Hull 1471. In July 1471, *la Calanta*, a ship now at Hull of which Earl Rivers was captain, was bought by Alcock for 200 marks. This was probably one of the ships in which Edward's followers had returned from Flanders. He had licence to trade with Iceland, 22 Oct. 1478;³ mayor of Hull 1480;⁴ his bro. the bishop founded the Hull Grammar school in 1486.

D. 1483/4; Will, dat. at Worcester, 14 Aug. 1483, pr. at York, 10 July 1484.⁵

ALCONBURY (ALKUMBURY), JOHN, junior (1450-1500); of Huntingdon.
M.P. Huntingdon boro' 1472-5, 1478.

S. presumably of John Alconbury, senior, mercer of Huntingdon,⁶ who was bailiff of Huntingdon and a party to the return of John junior in 1478, and an elector in the boro' in 1472.

ALDAY (ALDYE), JOHN (1430-1494); of Ash by Sandwich and London, merchant and grocer. Victualler of the fleet 1461-3. M.P. Sandwich 1463-5, 1472-5.

He was ordered to victual the fleet, 5 July 1461, and was granted an annuity of £10 in 1462, which was charged and confirmed down to 1484, being exempted from resumption in 1464 and 1467. Purveyor to the fleet, 1 July 1463, while M.P.; a feoffee in Kent 1465; grant of the office of tronage and pesage in Sandwich 1466; mayor of Sandwich 1468, 1476; pardoned 1470/1 as "of Sandwich, merchant, *alias* of London, grocer"; on a Sandwich comm. 1472. Romney was paying for wine for him in 1482/3.⁷ He was pardoned, 7 May 1484, "of Asshe by Sandwich" (m.30); appointed to survey and advise as to the enlargement of the port of Sandwich, 1484;⁸ suing for property at Walmer in 1490.

D. 1494; Will of John Aldy of Ash next Sandwich, pr. at Canterbury (C.473).

ALDAY, THOMAS (1480-1535); of Ash by Sandwich, gent. M.P. Sandwich 1504.

S. of Nicholas and perhaps g.s. of John Aldy, M.P. (1430-94).

He was one of the staplers who were pardoned on payment in 1505, and died 1534/5. Will of Thomas Aldy "of Asshe, gent.", dat. 9 Apr. 1534, pr. 5 May 1535.⁹

¹ *Ex inf.* A. S. Harvey.

² Pardon Roll, 1455 (m.28).

³ *Foedera*, V. iii. 96.

⁴ Sheahan, *Hull*, 372.

⁵ Bequests to John Dalton who is to marry da. Katherine; to illeg. s. Robert; 5 marks to Elizabeth sis. of his wife for her marriage; a fourth of his ship called *le George* to John s. of his bro. Thomas. Residue to wife Katherine, and she sole exix. (*Test. Ebor.*, iii, 295.)

⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 139.

⁷ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* v. 547, Romney MSS.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), p. 405.

⁹ To be bur. under yew tree in church of Asshe beside his father. 6s. each to the sons of his bros., Jerome and James; 3s. 4d. to Jane his maid at Caley; a gown to da. Margery. Residue to s. Edward, one-third when of age, one-third when 24, and one-third when 26; £20 to Henry s. of his bro. William, but if he makes claim to any lands willed to testator by testator's father Nicholas, then Henry to forfeit bequest. Exors. :—William Boys, John Boys, John Monynge, gent. (P.C.C., 14 Hogen).

ALDERLEY, JOHN (1425-75); of West Kynton, Wilts.; lawyer. M.P. Bedwin 1455-6.

John Alderley of West Kynton, Wilts., gent., and Richard Bothe of Worcester were sureties for the dean of Stafford and others, keepers of the royal manor of Arley, Staffs, 1458/9.¹ As "of London, gent.," he was pledge for Richard Keymell and others for the keeping of certain lands in Chippenham, 26 Oct. 1465.² An attorney in a Glos. suit, 1470.³

ALDWIN (AILEWYN), THOMAS (1450-1505); of Arundel, esq.; and of Lymington, Hants. M.P. Arundel 1478.

We have only the will of this man:—of Lymyngton, Hants, esq.; dat. 25 March, pr. 8 July 1505.⁴

ALDWIN see ALWIN.

ALDYE see ALDAY.

ALLEN (ALEYN), JOHN (1425-1490); of Norwich and Cambridge. Doctor of Laws. Clerk of the Signet 1465; Judge. M.P. Dunwich 1467-8; Oxford boro' 1469; Yarmouth 1472-5.

Perhaps son of John Allen of Dunwich (*d.* 1453).⁵ Presumably he is the Doctor of Laws and the father of the John Allen admitted to Lincoln's Inn 1476, made Baron of the Exchequer 1504 (*d.* 1513). The M.P. is not the John Allen of Earlham, Norfolk, who occurs with w. Jane in 1475, nor the servant of Henry VII made bailiff of Upton, Glos, in 1485.

In Apr. 1451 "it is understood that John Aleyn should be under-sheriff not Robert Norwich." "Aleyn was no well-wisher to Sir John Falstaff"—so write the Pastons.⁶ An attorney, London and Surrey, 1459.⁷ In Dec. 1461 Mr. John Allen, doctor of laws, was acting as lieutenant to the Earl of Warwick, judging in an Admiralty case. In 1465 he was made Clerk of the Signet to the Queen on her coronation.⁸ In 1469, as lieutenant to the Constable, he is to judge overseas cases. The *Paston Letters* call him Dr. Aleyn in connection with the Norfolk elections of 1472.⁹ Again in 1475 Mr. Allen, doctor of laws, was lieutenant for the Constable in the court of the Constableness, and in May 1476 he was judging overseas cases concerning the army in Picardy. The Constable was Richard, duke of Gloucester.

Probably *d.* 1490 when the will was pr. in P.C.C. of John Allen of Norwich and Cambridge (6 Moone). His son, the Baron of the Exchequer, left a markedly Protestant will in 1513 and was probably a disciple or friend of Colet (33 Holgrave).

¹ Fine Roll, 37 Hen. VI. (m.13).

² *ibid.* 5 Edw. IV. (m.12).

³ Plea Rolls.

⁴ To be bur. in Lymyngton church. All lands in Arundel to w. Katrine, with remainder to da. Gyls. Wife also to have house at Lymyngton called the *Christofer*, and house in Gosport, and lands in Petworth. Residue to Thomas Walwyn, gent., who is Exor. together with his (Walweyn's) w. Gyles. Overseer—John Dyngley, of the Isle of Wight. (P.C.C., 34 Holgrave.)

⁵ Gairdner, *Hist. of Dunwich*.

⁷ Plea Rolls, 1459.

⁸ Schofield, *Edward IV.* i. 378.

⁶ *Paston Letters*, i. 206.

⁹ *Paston Letters*, iii. 53.

ALESTRE see ALLESTRY.

ALEYN see ALLEN.

ALFRAY, JOHN (1420-75); of Henley, Sussex, yeoman of the Crown 1449-60. M.P. East Grinstead 1447, 1450-1, 1453-4, 1459; Ipswich 1469.¹ Lancastrian.

Perhaps s. of John Alfray M.P. for East Grinstead 1421.

Being yeoman of the Crown and Usher of the Chamber, he was granted 6*d.* a day out of Guildford as his fee, Nov. 1449; exempted from Resumption, 1449-50, 1455; one of the twenty-three yeomen of the Crown, 1454; had livery of clothes 1455 and 1458/9, as yeoman of the Chamber.² For good service against the rebels, Alfray, yeoman of the Crown, was granted the office of ranger of Cranbourne chase, forfeited by the duke of York, Jan. 1460. John and Thomas Alfray were feoffees for John Alfray in East Grinstead in Oct. 1457, and at the same time he was enfeoffed of lands settled by Richard Alfray in Sussex.³

He held no office under the Yorkists; pardoned, 4 Feb. 1472, as of Henley, Sussex, senior, gent., *alias* late of Nettlestead, Suffolk. In May, 1466, John Alfray gent., and Peter Alfray of Sussex and London, draper, were indicted at Westminster;⁴ he quitclaimed the settled lands in East Grinstead which he had from Richard Alfray to Thomas Alfray, Apr. 1469.⁵ Unfortunately, these transactions give no relationship between the John, Thomas and Richard. Nettlestead belonged to Sir Henry Wentworth (*q.v.*).

Probably *d.* soon after 1472, but a John Alfray was elected Treasurer of Ipswich in Oct. 1482. This, however, will probably be a son.

ALFRAY, RICHARD (1425-85); of Gulledge by East Grinstead; customer. M.P. East Grinstead 1460-1, 1467-8, 1478, (and perhaps 1470).

Perhaps bro. of John Alfray M.P. East Grinstead (1420-75), and s. of John Alfray M.P. East Grinstead 1421. In 1457 Richard Alfray conveyed to feoffees including John and Thomas Alfray certain lands in East Grinstead which the feoffees settled on John Alfray, no relationship stated.⁶ J.P. Sussex, 14 May 1462 to 20 Feb. 1466; 7 Nov. 1470 to 1471. In Jan. 1466 Richard Alfray, gent., of East Grinstead was indicted before the King's Bench, and on Mar. 1466 he and John Alfray and Peter Alfray of Sussex, and of London, draper, were indicted at Westminster.⁷ On 27 July 1470 Richard Alfray was made customer in the port of Chichester, and he was on two Sussex comms. under the Readeption government. The pardon roll of 1471/2 contains both Richard of East Grinstead, gent., late of London, and Peter, late of London, merchant and draper, late of East Grinstead. In 1478 Richard s. and h. of John Alfray quitclaimed land in East Grinstead to John Wody.⁸

¹ In Sept. 1469 John Timperley junr., and John Alfray of Hendley were elected burgesses for Parlt. from Ipswich—Timperley to have 8*d.* a day, Alfray nothing "in consideration of his admission to be a Free Burgess of the town." (Bacon, *Hist. Ipswich*, 139).

² *Enr. Accts.* 361/6.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 2, 79.

⁴ *Anc. Indicts.* of the K.B. 9/316.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 79.

⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 79.

⁷ *Anc. Indicts.* of K.B. 9/315, 9/316.

⁸ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 83.

ALKUMBURY see ALCONBURY.

ALLEN (ALEYN) JOHN see p. 6.

ALLEN (ALING), WILLIAM. M.P. Hythe 1491-2.

No such person as "Aling" or "Haling" can be found; possibly the clerk's version of Alin, Alyn.

ALLESTREE (ALESTRE),¹ THOMAS (1410-71); of Nottingham, wool-stapler.

M.P. Nottingham boro' 1442, 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1467-8.

Second s. and h. of John Allestree, M.P. Nottingham 1416-25 (*d.* 1431), by Cecily;² *m.* Margaret (*d.* 1491), da. of Richard Samon of Nottingham, by whom he had issue, John, prior of Thurgarton, Thomas, and four das.,³ Margery, Jane, Cecily and Elizabeth.

Mayor, Nottingham, 1436-7,⁴ 1444-5, 1452-3, 1461-2, 1469-70; J.P. Nottingham boro' 1444 till death; elector, Nottingham boro', 1447, 1450, 1453; chamberlain 1450-1; juror 1463;⁵ licence for free export of wool, 20 Oct. 1449 and 16 Oct. 1454.⁶

D. 1471; will dat. 24 Dec. 1470, pr. York, 30 Aug. 1471;⁷ will of Margaret his wife, dat. 20 Mar. 1491, pr. York, 6 Sept. 1493.⁸

ALLINGTON (ALYNTON), WILLIAM (1400-59); of Bottisham, esq.

M.P. CAMBRIDGESHIRE 1433, 1437, 1439-40.

Yr. s. of William Alington (*d.* 1446) by Jane (*d.* 1445) da. and h. of William Burgh, and widow of Barnes;⁹ *m.* (1) Elizabeth (*b.* 1412),¹⁰ sis. and h. of John Argentine, by whom he had Sir William Allington (1430-79), the Speaker; (2), in 1445, Elizabeth, widow of Sir John Heveningham.¹¹

Eschr. of Hunts. and Cambs., 1437-8; J.P. Cambs., 28 Nov. 1439 to 6 Mar. 1455, 1 July till death; elector, Cambs., 1442, 1447, 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1450, 1467; on comns. in Cambs., 1439 to 1457.

D. 5 July 1459, succeeded by his s. John, aged 31; lands—Norf., Suff., Bucks., Cambs., also Herts., in right of his w., Elizabeth Argentine.

¹ After the Thurlands (of whom was Thomas Thurland, *q.v.*), they were the wealthiest family in Nottingham (*Thoroton Soc. Trans.* (1924), 73).

² Will of John Allestree, dat. 1422, pr. Apr. 1431; *Test Ebor.* iv. 68; *Surtees Soc.* liii. 63.

³ *Ex inf.* C. Constable.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 2 May 1437 (*m.* 26).

⁵ Stevenson, *Nottingham Rec.* II. pp. 261, 408; iii. 458-9.

⁶ The loan amounted to £266 os. 8d. On the first occasion £66 os. 2d., was repaid, and on the second £132 os. 4d.; repayment amounting to £44 10s. 4d., was made to him on a further loan, also on 16 Oct. 1454. The repayments were charged on the customs of Hull, and in every case two other staplers shared with him; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1449), 315; (1454), 209, 212. In 1455, however, he and two others paid £4 17s. 8d., customs on wool; *Rot. Parl.* v. 296.

⁷ *Test. Ebor.* iv. 63. Mentions s. John (M.A.; later prior of Thurgarton, Notts.) and Thomas, da. Margery (wife of — Bew), Jane (wife of John Stathome), Cecily w. of Robert English of Nottingham, and Elizabeth (wife of William Goldsmith); residue to wife; exors.—wife, John Hunt (*q.v.*), and s. John.

⁸ *ibid.* 63-4. To be bur. in St. Mary's, Nottingham, next husband; mentions s. John and Thomas, and das. Cecily and Jane; bequeathed to John Bell the yr. "a silver pece called the litill halowe bell that Sir Thomas Chaworth (*q.v.*) gave me."

⁹ *Visitn. Cambs.* 15.

¹⁰ Proof of age, 1428, 6 Hen. VI.

¹¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. 105.

ALLINGTON, (Sir) WILLIAM (1430-79), the younger ; of Bottisham, Cambs. Lawyer ; customer of Lynn 1471-9. Privy Counsellor. M.P. Plympton 1467-8 ; CAMBRIDGESHIRE 1472-5 (SPEAKER), 1478 (SPEAKER). Yorkist.

Yr. s. of William Allington M.P. (1400-59) by Elizabeth (Argentine) ; *m.* Jane (1450-93) da. and coh. of John Anstey, becoming thus brother-in-law to William Taillard, M.P. and to Harry Langley, M.P.¹

He was on comns., Cambs. and Essex, from 1458—not the Lancastrian party comns. It is probably he and not his father who, as Master Alington, with Master Yelverton and John Paston, was said to be planning an indictment against Heydon and Tuddenham, the Lancastrians, in 1455.² Eschr., Cambs. and Hunts, 1458-9 ; J.P. Cambs., of the quorum, 4 July 1461 to 14 Dec. 1470 ; and 10 Dec. 1473 till death ; J.P. Hunts. also, 11 Nov. 1464 onwards ; pardoned, 12 June 1462, as “ of Bodekesham, Cambs. gent., *alias* junior, late eschr. of Henry VI, *alias* J.P. Cambs.” A Cambs. elector, 1467, when elected for Plympton by Crown influence.

In Sept. 1470 he went into exile with Edward IV, and is said to have been his standard bearer at Barnet, Apr. 1471. In Nov. 1471 he was made customer at Lynn. The Parlt. of 1472-5, over which he presided as Speaker, stipulated that he should not be prejudiced by the grant of the Duchy of Cornwall to the Prince of Wales, and he was made one of the Prince’s tutors and counsellors.³ After Parlt. was prorogued in 1473 Edward IV toured the Midlands accompanied by Allington, May to September.⁴ While on tour he was made also Deputy Butler at Ipswich, 5 July 1473. He was building a new chapel at Bottisham in 1475. During the years 1473-5 he was added to the bench in five more counties ; and made Justice of the forests, 24 July 1477. Sheriff, Cambs. and Hunts, 1476-7. In Nov. 1477 the King ordered that £6 be paid to William Alington the younger, sheriff, because “ to our great pleasure he has taken, as well one person calling himself Earl of Oxford, as other great felons etc.”⁵ This rising was inspired by Clarence, and in the Parliament called to judge Clarence, Allington was again elected Speaker, 16 Jan. 1478. He was “ rewarded ” with £300 on 29 Apr. 1478 ;⁶ kntd. soon after the dissolution, May/June 1478, and, on 11 Aug., apptd. King’s Counsellor with, for his good council on 8 July last, one-third of Bassingbourne, Cambs., and one-third of the honor of Richmond, forfeited by Clarence.

D. 16 May 1479 ; when John, aged 60, was his bro. and h.

In 1485 the restored Earl of Oxford squared accounts with the Allingtons by buying for 800 marks the custody of the lands and son and heir, Giles, of William Alyngton late dead. But this was another different William.

ALOMBY, JOHN. M.P. Bedwin 1459.

Not a south country name ; possibly a nominee of Sir John Seymour.⁷

¹ *Geneal. N.S.* xix. 160 ; *Cal. Inq. p.m. Hen. VII*, No. 1075.

² *Paston Letters*, i. 347-9.

³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 16 ; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1473), 366.

⁴ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 57.

⁵ *ibid.* ii. 191.

⁶ Issue Rolls, Edw. IV. No. 845.

⁷ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

ALWARD (ALVARD), THOMAS (1460-1504); mercer of Ipswich and of Woodbridge. M.P. Ipswich 1497, 1504.

S. of Thomas Alward of Woodbridge. Pardoned, July 1486, as "Alward of Woodbridge, mercer, *alias* merchant";¹ made a freeman of Ipswich, 19 Sept. 1488, to hold his freedom wheresoever he dwells.² Bailiff of Ipswich 1493, 1504. On 9 Dec. 1504 William Harlewin was elected bailiff *vice* Alward recently deceased.³ Will, dat. vigil of St. Nicholas bishop, pr. 27 Apr. 1505.³ It was presumably his son Thomas who was keeper of Cardinal Wolsey's wardrobe.

ALWIN (AILWYN), NICHOLAS (1440-1506); ald. of London, stapler and mercer. M.P. London 1491-2.

S. of Richard Aldwine of Spalding, Lincs.⁴

Occurs as a mercer suing for a bond 1460/5,⁵ and in the London *Letter Books* from 1476; comnr. of *oyer* 1477; pardoned 1480 "Alwyn, *alias* Halewyn, *alias* Alewyne"; auditor of London 1482-4; sheriff 1494-5; master of the mercers 1496; ald. 1496 till death; mayor 1499-1500. He was on a comn. for the repair of the cross in Chepe, 1483; attended at the Queen's coronation, 1487; repairing Cripplegate in 1488. He was fined (or pardoned) in 1502, 1505—for trade offences.

D. just before Feb. 1506. Will, dat. 22 Feb. 1504, enrolled in Hustings Court, 18 Jan. 1518; pr. by (his widow?) Angela Alwine.⁶

ALYNTON see ALINGTON.

AMYAS, ROBERT (1435-86); ald. of York, merchant. M.P. York city 1478.

S. of Elizabeth Amyas of High Melton, Yorks (*d.* 1451), leaving sons Robert and Ralph.⁷

Sheriff, York city, 1469-70; alderman before 1478. He and Miles Metcalf the recorder were paid 4s. a day each for going to the 1478 Parlt., besides £10 for expenses "as well as for writing petitions as for a privy seal and bill of array and other expenses by them necessarily incurred for the common weal of the city".⁸ Mayor 1480-1;⁹ subscribed to present made to Richard III on visiting York 1483.

D. 1486; Will of Robert Amyas, merchant of York, dat. 17 Jan., pr. at York, 8 Apr. 1486. Mentions his brother Ralph and wife Katherine.¹⁰

ANDREUX see ANDREWS.

¹ Pardon Roll, 1486 (m.11).

² Bacon, *Annals of Ipswich*, 158.

³ To be bur. in St. Stephens, Ipswich. Masses at Woodbridge for souls of himself and his grandfather, John Kempe, and Jeffery Kemp his father. To his w. Anne £100. Bequests to sons Thomas, John and Edmond, and to das. Margaret, Agnes and Anne. Exors: not given. (P.C.C., 30 Holgrave.)

⁴ *Ex inf.* W. D. Pink.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 29/170.

⁶ He names his s., Francis, and Nicholas s. of Richard Alwyn, probably his nephew. Premises in Bow in Milk St., Southwark, and lands in Spalding, Lincs. To be bur. in St. Mary le Bowe. (*Husting's Wills*, ii. 625.)

⁷ *Test. Ebor.* v. 17, 18.

⁸ Davies, *York Records*, 67.

⁹ *ibid.* 108.

¹⁰ *Test Ebor.* v. 8.

ANDREW, JOHN (1415-75); of Baylham,¹ Suffolk; esq.;² lawyer. M.P. Ipswich 1442, 1449 (1); Bletchingley 1449-50.

S. of James Andrew of Ipswich, by Alice, da. and h. of John Weyland; m. Elizabeth (d. 1474), da. of John Stratton of Weston, Norfolk, by whom he had Anne (m. Sir John Sulyard (q.v.)) and Elizabeth (m. (1) Thomas Windsor; (2) Sir Robert Lytton (qq.v.)).³

Admtd. Lincoln's Inn, 1433;⁴ J.P. Suffolk, of the quorum, 20 Nov. 1445 to 12 May 1460, and J.P. Norfolk, 26 May 1463; comns. (including *oyer et terminer* and array), 1449-66; elector, Suffolk, 1449 (2), 1453; John Andrew of Baylham and Edmund Penstone of Salisbury (q.v.) were mainpernors for Thomas Walronde in the keeping of the manor of Cherhill, Wilts, late of Cecily, Duchess of Warwick, 9 Dec. 1450.⁵ His arrest and imprisonment was ordered (with 15 others), 28 Dec. 1450;⁶ on the King's behalf, he successfully prosecuted certain matters in the King's Bench against John Willoughby (late Sheriff of Norfolk), receiving a special reward of £10, Nov. 1455;⁷ his arrest again ordered (with Sir Philip Wentworth (q.v.)), by the Sheriff of Suffolk at the suit of John Paston (q.v.) and Thomas Howes, Nov. 1456;⁸ mainpernor in Co. Oxon., 12 June 1456; patron of prebend of West Thurrock (Essex), 8 Mar. 1461; also probably warrener of Broadheath in the lordship of Blakemere and Whitchurch, Salop, during minority of the Earl of Shrewsbury, 14 May 1474.⁹ Richard Andrewe, his cousin, was the King's Secretary 1445-55, and no doubt got him his seat at Bletchingley.

ANDREW(S) (ANDREUX), JOHN (1410-60); of Gloucester esq. *et legis peritus*.¹⁰ M.P. Gloucester 1437, 1449 (1), 1450-1, 1455-6.

In 1433/43 he sued Thomas Eventon that he might not be a charge on him any longer in the gaol at Gloucester, Eventon having murdered Andrew's brother and victuals being very dear; Andrew therefore petitioned that there might be a comn. of gaol delivery at Gloucester.¹¹ He was a lawyer, and at all other times spelt Andrews.

¹ *Pardon Roll*, 1446, as of Baylham, Suffolk, *alias* exor. of the will of James Andrew, *alias* of Weston, Norfolk (m.37).

² *ibid.*, 16 Dec. 1471/2.

³ Davy, *Suffolk Colls.* (B.M. Add. MSS., 19, 115). He was apparently related to "Mr. Richard Andrewe, King's Secretary"; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1448), 178-9.

⁴ *Reg. of Adm.*, 7; he may be the John Andrew of London who with Robert Spicer (q.v.) went mainprize for John Dylrune for the keeping of a parcel of land once owned by the King of Scots along the King's highway between Charing Cross and Westminster, 1440/1. (*Fine Roll*, 19 Hen. VI, m.7). Perhaps Scotland Yard.

⁵ *Fine Roll*, 29 Hen. VI. (m.29).

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1450), 436,440. He was accused (with John Ulveston, q.v.) of forging a false office to cast Sir John Fastolf's manor of Boyton and Bradwell, Suffolk, into the King's hands; *Paston Letters*, i. 169; and as an adherent of John Heydon's (q.v.) gave trouble to Fastolf and his friends; *ibid.* i. 225.

⁷ *Devon, Issues*, 480.

⁸ Paston and Howes had had the wardship of Thomas, s. and h. of Sir John Fastolf, 6 June 1454; but on 8 June, Andrew and Thomas Deyvill of Nettlestead, Suffolk, had entered Shelond Hall, etc., *vi et armis*, and collected Fastolf's rents to the sum of £360; *Paston Letters*, i. 412. Deyvill's arrest was also ordered; *ibid.*

⁹ The name is common enough. Apparently no more can be found concerning him. The Earl of Shrewsbury was George Talbot, fourth Earl, then aged about 6.

¹⁰ So described, he dwelt by the North Gate in 1455. A John Andrews, mercer, had held property in Grase Lane (*Gloucester Rental of 1455*, pp. 26, 62, 92, etc.).

¹¹ *Early Chan. Proc.*, 44/260.

ANDREW, WILLIAM.

M.P. Bridgwater, 1442.

Elizabeth, widow of John Andrew of Knoll, Som., *d.* 1422/3.¹ There was a contemporary William Andrew, brewer of London, and another, more likely of Southampton. The Pardon Roll, 20 Mar. 1460 (m. 4), includes William Andrew of London, yeoman. If by this "Yeoman of the Crown" was implied, then he might have been a candidate for Bridgwater in 1442.

ANKETILL,² ROBERT (1425-80); of Hants (?). M.P. Taunton 1467-8.

On 23 Nov. 1452 a Robert Anker of Ludgershall, Wilts, was mainpernor for William Ludlow (*q.v.*) and David Rynald for the keeping of the manor of "Penanlowe" (? Penmaenpool), Merioneth.³ On 29 Jan. 1472 John Rogers (*q.v.*) of Freefolk, Hants, esq. and John Estbury of Letcombe, Berks., esq. were mainpernors for Thomas Hardgrove esq. (*q.v.*), Thomas Brown and Robert Anketyll for the keeping of the manors of "Addelyngton" and Pymore, Dorset.⁴ Taunton was one of the boroughs controlled by the Bp. of Winchester, and the bishop was William of Waynflete in 1467.

ANSELL (AUNCELL), ROBERT (1410-65); ald. of Hull, wool-stapler.⁵ M.P. Hull, 1453-4.

Sworn to the peace in Lincs. (as of Grimsby), 1 May 1434;⁶ alderman 1440;⁷ sheriff, Hull, 1441; elector, Hull 1447 (when alderman), 1449 (1), 1450, 1459; mayor 1454-5; comnr., Hull, 20 Nov. 1454 (when mayor);⁸ appears as part-owner of a ship called *Lyon*, 28 Nov. 1446;⁹ a certain sum of money which he, John Thirsk, and Hugh Clitherowe (*qq.v.*) had lent the King was in part repaid, 16 Oct. 1454.¹⁰

ANSON (HANSON), RICHARD (1405-61); ald. of Hull; deputy butler, customer (Hull), and shipowner. M.P. Hull 1439-40, 1442, 1445-6, 1450-1, 1455-6, 1460-1. Yorkist.

M. Elizabeth,¹¹ who survived him.

Pardoned for exporting uncoketted goods etc., 24 July 1439; chamberlain 1439-40; alderman 1440;¹² sheriff, Hull, 1440-1; elector, Hull, 1449 (1); eschr., Hull, 1450-1; mayor 1450-1, 1453-4, 1458-9, 1460 till death; appears as collr. of customs and subsidy at Hull from Dec. 1447 to 12 Dec. 1453;¹³ comnr.

¹ I. *p.m.* 1 Hen. VI.

² For William Anketyll, see *Early Chan. Proc.* 44/133, 46/174, 72/16, 87/75.

³ Fine Roll, 31 Hen. VI. (m.19).

⁴ Fine Roll, 11 Edw. IV. (m.7).

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1454), 212.

⁶ *ibid.* (1434), 382.

⁷ *Ex inf.* A. S. Harvey.

⁸ "*De Walliis et fossatis*"; the comnrs., eleven in number, included six other (Hull) M.P.s, *viz.* Hugh Clitherowe, John Scales, Richard Anson, Seman Burton, John Spencer, and William Eland (*qq.v.*); *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1454), 220.

⁹ He and the other owners, John Scales (*q.v.*) and John Penderton complained that they had been plundered by pirates and the ship brought to Hull; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1446), 41.

¹⁰ In respect of wool subsidy; the sum amounted to £124 5s. 5½d.

¹¹ Pardon Roll, 1461/6 (m.26); she is also described as his exix.

¹² *Ex inf.* A. S. Harvey.

¹³ Issue Rolls, Hen. VI. *passim*.

Hull, 1449-54; J.P., E. Riding, 23 Aug. 1460 till death; receiver of Burstwick manor, Yorks., 3 Sept. 1460;¹ apptd. deputy butler, Hull, 8 Dec. 1460.²

D. 1 Jan. 1461, being beheaded after Wakefield, where he was captured.³

ANSTEY, JOHN, the elder (1400-60); of Stow-cum-Quy, Cambs., esq.,⁴ lawyer. M.P. CAMBRIDGESHIRE 1455-6. Lancastrian.

S. of John Anstey (d. 1450), by Jane Bernard; *m.* (1) Margaret ——— (d. before 1450), by whom he had John (*q.v.*), (2) Jane Street.⁵

Sheriff, Cambs. and Hunts, 1430-1; eschr., Cambs., 1433-4; elector, Cambs., 1442, 1447, 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1450, 1453; J.P., Cambs., of the quorum, 25 May 1443 to 12 Nov. 1459, and Cambridge boro', 14 Nov. 1441 till death; on all Cambs. comns., 1444-59 (including Lancastrian comn. of array, 21 Dec. 1459); comnr. to raise loan for defence of Calais, 14 May 1455;⁶ a feoffee of Laurence Cheyney (*q.v.*), 1449; a mainpernor for the Duke of Buckingham and the Bouchiers, 1455.⁷

D. 4 Aug. 1460, when John, aged 32, was his s. and h.;⁸ Will dat. 4 Aug., pr. 15 Nov. 1460;⁹ bur. in Stow-cum-Quy Church—M.I.

ANSTEY, JOHN, the younger (1428-77); of Stow-cum-Quy, Cambs., esq., lawyer¹⁰ and bailiff of the Bp. of Ely. M.P. CAMBRIDGESHIRE 1445-6, 1450-1, 1461-2, 1467-8.

S. and h. of John Anstey M.P. (1400-60) of Stow-cum-Quy, by Margaret (d. before 1450); *m.* Sibil.¹¹

Elector, Cambs., 1447, 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1453, 1455, and Cambridge boro', 1453; eschr. Cambs, 1473-4; comnr. Cambs., etc., to 1473; bailiff of Bp. of Ely, 1453-77; J.P. Cambridge boro', of the quorum, 21 Oct. 1453 to 8 July 1457, 28 Oct. 1473 to 20 Nov. 1475, and J.P. Cambs., 6 Mar. to 27 Apr. 1455, 6 May 1462 to 14 Dec. 1470, 10 Dec. 1473 to 10 Nov. 1475; apportioner of subsidy for Cambs., 1463, and therefore *not* M.P. in 1463-5;¹² sheriff, Cambs. and Hunts., 1471-2.

D. shortly before 26 Oct. 1477, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Cambs.¹³

¹ Previously the Duke of Buckingham's; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1460), 624.

² Sir John Wenlock (*q.v.*), afterwards Lord Wenlock, was chief butler; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1460), 636.

³ He was beheaded at Pontefract; Kingsford, *Chron. of London*, 172. However, cf. Sheahan, *Hist. of Hull*, 59:—"Hanson, a brave and loyal mayor to Henry VI was killed at the moment of victory at Wakefield." But from his appts. he was obviously Yorkist at Wakefield.

⁴ *Pardon Roll*, 17 July 1437 (m.5).

⁵ *Ex inf.* Dr. Palmer.

⁶ *Privy Coun. Proc.*, vi. 238.

⁷ Possibly refers to his s. of the same names; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1455), 233.

⁸ *Inq. p.m.*, 38/39 Hen. VI.

⁹ P.C.C., 21 Stockton. Bequests to 2nd wife, ss. John and Robert, das. Elizabeth and Mary, (Sir) William Alyngton (the Speaker; *q.v.*); etc.; residue to 2nd wife; exors. include s. John and William Wigston (*q.v.*).

¹⁰ He was on four occasions comnr. of *oyer et terminer*.

¹¹ *Ex inf.* Dr. Palmer.

¹² *Fine Roll*, 3 Edw. IV.

¹³ *Fine Roll*, 17 Edw. IV (m.16).

ANTRON, WILLIAM (1440-97); of Sithney, Corn., gent. M.P. Helston 1491-2.

S. of William Antron of Antron etc., Corn. (d. 1461/71).

William Antron the younger was on a comm. in Cornwall to arrest rebels, 1461; without suffix he was a juror at Launceston 1471; as of Sithney, gent., he was sued for debt by John Arundel, Jan. 1483; M.P. 1491. In 1497 he, Flammank (*q.v.*), and John Trevyfall of St. Madron, gent., led the Cornish rising; they marched on London like modern hunger marchers; were joined on the way by Lord Audley, and reached Blackheath where the royal army dispersed and took them prisoners. Audley, Flammank and Antron were beheaded, 22 June 1497.¹ William Antron, late of Antron, was attainted 1503.² After enquiry by the Parliament of 1512, Richard s. and h. of William Antron was granted the land in Antron which had been forfeited by his father, 11 July 1512.³ The mildness of the punishment inflicted for this rebellion is remarkable. Henry VIII treated in different fashion the Pilgrimage of Grace.

APORT, JOHN (1420-85); of Salisbury and Poole. M.P. Salisbury 1467-8.

S. of John à Port (d. 1456).⁴

John du Port of Salisbury junr. was on an Isle of Wight piracy comm. in 1451. In 1457/60 the Prior of Christchurch, Hants, sued him as mercht. and exor. of the will of Alice Bolys, widow, for a messuage in Salisbury called "the angel upon the ditch;"⁵ he held a tenement *super trencheam* in 1455. Mayor of Salisbury 1458, 1466 returning himself, 1467, 1468, 1469. In the 1469 dispute between the bishop and the town, the bishop alleged that John à Port usurped the mayoralty and refused to take the oath to the bishop as was the custom, "i says he is not the bishop's officer." The city was prepared to accept pacification on terms, *viz.*, that the bishop should surrender all his rights for an annual fee-farm; but the bishop refused.⁶ In 1471 John Aport went with the city's contingent to help Edward IV recover Kent; Aport and Thomas Pury could not get payment of their wages and sued Thomas Noble, the mayor, for £12 12s. *od.*; but their claim was resisted, and they were even expelled from the corp., although they eventually gained their cause.⁶ He was sued in 1473/5 on bonds given for the

¹ *Geneal. N.S.*, ii. 139.

² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 544.

³ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 1415 (26).

⁴ His father's will includes bequests to churches in Guernsey, and sons William and James besides his eld. s. and exor., John. The other exor. was Edmund Penston, M.P., and the w. Julian was supervisor (6 Stokton). (*Early Chan. Proc.* 26/256.)

⁵ In the civic contest with the bishop, several of the Salisbury M.P.s occur. In 1452/3, Simon Poye being Mayor, John Hall was apptd. to draft a new charter. Nothing came of it, but in 1465 war was opened by the bishop granting to William Swayne a plot in St. Thomas's churchyard, which the City claimed as corporate property. Swayne and Hall were at daggers drawn (a special order was made to control their language in the City convocation). The City was ordered by the Council to depose Mayor Hall (now in prison for contumacy) and refused. The citizens compromised only so far as to substitute John Chafyn for Hall as their attorney before the Council. John Aport then succeeded Hall as mayor and leader of the opposition to the bishop, William Eston was mayor when the City yielded to the bishop's claims in 1474 (G. M. Young of Oare).

⁶ Benson & Hatcher, *Old and New Sarum*, pp. 172, 179, 197.

importation of cork from Holland, as "of Salisbury, merchant."¹ He was suing for property in Old Sarum in 1475/80.² Pardoned, 5 July 1484, as of Salisbury, merchant (m.11).

APPLEBY (APPELBY), ALEXANDER (1425-90); of Carlisle, gent. M.P. Wootton Bassett 1450-1.

Perhaps bro. of John Appleby of Carlisle M.P. and descended from John Appleby M.P. Carlisle 1383.

Received a general pardon with 200 others of the north country, 10 Sept. 1470; fought against Henry VII at Stoke and attainted, 1487.³ Pardoned with restitution, May 1488.⁴ This is a curious case of a reversal not by Act of Parliament, but possibly by a Great Council.

APPLEBY (APPILBY), JOHN (1430-1500); of Stoneleigh, Warw., and Carlisle, lawyer. M.P. Carlisle 1478.

Perhaps bro. of Alexander Appleby, gent., of Carlisle (q.v.), and descended from John Appleby, M.P. Carlisle 1383.

In July 1451 the arrest was ordered of Sir Thomas Malory (*Morte d'Arthur*, q.v.) and of his servant John Appleby, they being concealed in Isle of Axholme. Malory came from Newbold-Revel, Warw., and in 1468 our John Appleby was pardoned as "of Carlisle, gent., late of Stoneley, Warw. (m. 25)"; so that Malory's servant may be the same man. On 7 May 1473 John Appleby of Carlisle, gent., and Robt. Huton of the same, yeoman, were mainpernors for Sir Christopher Moresby⁵ (q.v.). J.P. Cumb., of the Quorum, 20 June 1473 to 10 Nov. 1475. Elector, Cumb. 1467, and 1478 when elected for Carlisle. Comm. array, Westmd., Dec. 1484. He was described as "recently dead" 12 July 1501.⁶

He is certainly not the mercer of Oswestry, pardoned 1471; nor the Scot living in Essex, 1481; nor the Yarmouth attorney of 1467.⁷

APPLETON (APPULTON), ROGER (1430-91); of Dartford; surveyor; customer. M.P. Dover 1478.

Perhaps son of Roger Appleton senior of same, for senior and junior "of Dartford" took out pardons for the Cade rising; the father may have been a clerk.⁸ M. by 1459 Elizabeth, da. of Henry Frowick M.P.⁹ and widow of John Martin.¹⁰

He served on many Kent comms. and juries from 1463, and lent money to the Crown no doubt in connection with the victualling of the Household 1467-69. J.P. Kent, 27 June 1471 to 20 Sept. 1485; elector, Kent, 1478, when returned for Dover; eschr., Kent and Mdsx., 1479-80; pardoned, 12 May 1484, "of Dartford, esq., *alias* gent., *alias* late of Horton by Farningham, Kent, *alias* late supervisor of repairs and buildings at Eltham, *alias* late escheator of Kent and Mdsx., *alias* late customer of Sandwich" (m. 29); in Nov. 1485 £51 was issued under writ of privy seal to John Crafford and Roger Appleton, customers of Sandwich, to repay advances they had made to Sir John Guildford (q.v.).¹¹ They were called

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 48/288.

² *ibid.* 55/111.

³ *Rot. Parl.*, vi. 397.

⁴ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 249.

⁵ Fine Roll, 13 Edw. IV. (m.5).

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1501), 532.

⁷ *Paston Letters*, ii. 299.

⁸ Stevenson, *Let. and Pap.*, ii. 460.

⁹ Will of Henry Frowick, 1459, P.C.C. 20 Stokton.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 41/220.

¹¹ Campbell, *Materials*, i, 233.

"late customers" in Feb. 1486.¹ He survived the revolution of 1485, but apparently ceased to hold any office.

D. shortly before 26 Apr. 1491, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Kent.²

APPULTON see APPLETON.

APRICE, JOHN (1440-1500); of Wells. M.P. Wells 1495.

On 13 Mar. 1466 Richard Willy of Dunster, gent., and John Sprot of Wells were mainpernors for John ap Rysse for collecting subsidy in Dorset and Somerset.³ He was pledge for men who were given the freedom of Wells 1478-90 and must, therefore, have been a citizen of Wells, probably being admitted under some *alias*. The John Aprice who was of the King's Household 1475-85 is not likely to be the same person.

APSLEY (APSLE), JOHN (1410-1467/70); of Thakeham by Pulborough, Sussex. M.P. Arundel 1459.

S. and h. of Stephen Apsley of Thakeham (whose father *m.* Margaret h. of Stephen le Power of Thakeham).⁴

Sworn to the peace in Sussex, 1 May 1434; co-feoffee, with Hoo and Lewknor, of Brabourne, Kent, in 1465; elector, Sussex, 1467; presumably dead and succeeded by his son John in 1470.

APSLEY (APSLE), JOHN (1445-1507); of Michelgrove and Thakeham, esq. Lawyer. M.P. SUSSEX 1472-5; Steyning 1478, (? 1483 Jan.).

Perhaps s. of John Apsley M.P. (1410-67); probably bro. of Richard Apseley of Thakeham "King's Squire to Edward IV"; *m.* Margaret (*b.* 1462), sis. and coh. of William Weston of Bramley, Surrey, who *d.* 1485.⁵

He (or his father) settled land in Warnham, Sussex, 1469.⁶ Co-feoffee of land in Chichester with the bishop thereof, 1470;⁶ indicted for robbery at Cowfold, Sussex, 1471;⁷ pardoned, 2 Jan. 1472, "late of Michelgrove, Sussex, esq., *alias* late of Thackham, Sussex, late of London, *alias* occupier of lands late of John Michelgrove (*q.v.*), deceased, and occupier of lands of Elizabeth Michelgrove da. and h. of John Michelgrove."

Admtd. to Lincoln's Inn, Hillary 1470. In 1476 John and Richard Apsley and Henry Belknap sued Anne (wife of William Uvedale) and Elizabeth Sydney, das. of William Sydney of Stoke d'Abernon (*d.* 1463) for lands in Godalming.⁸ In 1478 he acquired by fine from Thomas Bellingham (*q.v.*) and Jane his wife, Thakeham, Lyminster, Wick, etc.; and in 1477 Thakeham was settled by fine on

¹ Campbell, *Materials*, i, 322.

² Fine Roll, 6 Hen. VII (m.1).

³ Fine Roll, 6 Edw. IV. (m.13); *Early Chan. Proc.* 64/332.

⁴ *Sussex Arch. Soc.* xxvii, 14; xxviii, 197.

⁵ The Inq. *p.m.* on William Weston, 25 Sept. 1485, shows Margaret, aged 23, wife of John Apsley as Weston's sis. and coh.

⁶ *Sussex Rec. Soc.*, Feet of Fines, 275.

⁷ Anc. Indicts. K.B.

⁸ *Sussex Rec. Soc. ut supra*, p. 281.

John Apsley and heirs of his body remainder to heirs of the body of Margaret da. and h. of Stephen Power¹ (which Margaret was mother of Stephen Apsley, father of John Apsley M.P. (1410-67)).²

Sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1481-2, 1489-90, 1494-5, 1502-3; J.P. Sussex, of the quorum, 26 June 1483 till sheriff, 1489; 12 Feb. 1493 till death; on Sussex comms. 1480-8 including all those of 1483-4, except the subsidy comm. of Apr. 1483, which makes it probable that he sat in the 1483 (1) Parlt. Pardoned, 27 Feb. 1484, "of Thakeham, Sussex, esq., *alias* of Michelgrove, Sussex, *alias* late sheriff"; and 5 Jan. 1486, "John Apsley esq. and Margaret his wife, sis. and coh. of William Weston, esq., *alias* of Thakeham, *alias* late sheriff" (m.10); a feoffee in Sussex in 1491, 1495, 1501.

D. 1507; Will, John Apsley of Thakeham, dat. 14 May, pr. 31 July 1507.³

APSLEY, THOMAS (1470-1517); Cadet of Thakeham, Sussex. M.P. Steyning 1491-2.

Third s. of Richard Apsley of Thakeham, squire of the body to Edward IV, by Beatrice da. of William Sydney of Kingsham (*q.v.*) (one of the maids of honour to Queen Elizabeth) and widow of Knottesford. Probably nephew of John Apsley M.P. (1445-1507).

Thomas Apsley was buried at Thakeham, Sussex, 11 Sept. 1517.

ARBLASTER,⁴ THOMAS (1400-62/3); of Longdon, esq.,⁵ lawyer. M.P. STAFFORDSHIRE, 1426, 1432, 1433, 1435, 1439-40.

S. and h. of Thomas Arblaster of Longdon, by Alice, da. and coh. of Leonard Worthing; *m.* Alice, da. of Thomas Butler of "Pightlesthorne" (? Pitstone), Bucks., and had issue.⁶

Fought at Agincourt under Sir Arthur Bouchier;⁷ a feoffee of Humphrey, earl of Stafford, in his manor of Tunbridge and other manors in Kent, 28 Apr. 1430;⁸ J.P. Staffs., 21 Feb. 1439 to Mar. 1460; comnr. to raise a loan in Staffs., 1440 and 1449; comms., Staffs., 1448-59, the last being the Lancastrian comm. of array; one of the twelve squires in attendance, in the King's reduced Household, 13 Nov. 1454.⁹

D. 1462/3.¹⁰

¹ See note ⁸ on p. 16.

² *Sussex Arch. Soc.* xxviii, 197.

³ To be bur. at Thackham, if he die in Sussex. Residue to w. Margaret and she and John Levet exors. His lands to his w., remainder to Beatrice w. of Richard Apsley and mother of William Apsley. (P.C.C., 30 Adeane.)

⁴ Arms:—Erm., a crossbow bent gu.; the ermene for the justice, the crossbow for the name; *Staffs. Colls.* (1917), 210.

⁵ *Pardon Roll*, 5 May 1462, m.26.

⁶ *Staffs. Colls.* (1917), 209, citing Shaw, *Hist. of Staffs.*, i. 223-5. Thomas Arblaster, senr., was retained by Edmund, Earl of Stafford, till the latter's death at Shrewsbury (1403), when he became a henchman of Henry IV's, and was living in 1433.

⁷ Nicholas, *Agincourt*, 360.

⁸ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 264; the other feoffees were Sir Richard Vernon and John Harpur (*qq.v.*).

⁹ Nicholas, *Privy Coun. Proc.*, vi. 224.

¹⁰ He was living in 1462 (*Pardon Roll*, cited in *n.5*), and probably *d.* soon after.

ARCHDEACON (ARCEDEKENE), EDMUND; of Sandwich. M.P. Sandwich 1450-1.

Elected and sworn Jurat of Sandwich, Dec. 1445 and 7 Dec. 1450;¹ attended the admission of Humphrey, duke of Buckingham, as Lord Warden, at Shepwey, Aug. 1451.

ARCHER, JOHN (1420-75); of Hastings. M.P. Hastings 1453-4.

Bailiff of Hastings, 1461, 1464;² a juror in Hastings, 20 Mar. 1472.³ Probably the John Archer (1445-93) of Alfriston, who was M.P. Sandwich 1483-90, was his son.

ARCHER, JOHN (1420-60); of Tanworth, Warw.? Servant of Duke of Exeter. M.P. Helston 1453-4; Old Sarum 1459. Lancastrian.

On a Staffs. comn. in 1448; eschr. for that county Nov. 1448-Dec. 1449. The notable fact is that a servant of the Duke of Exeter—Thomas Baron—sat with Archer for Helston and Old Sarum in 1453 and 1459. This is no coincidence; for Worcester in his *Annales* (p. 773) tells us that John Archer, who was “of the Duke of Exeter’s Council,” was beheaded by the Yorkists after Northampton in July 1460. He had a tenement in Salisbury in 1455.⁴ In 1461/5 Henry Beche and Christine his wife, sometime wife of Henry Sewale and late w. of John Archer, sued Thomas Astell for the seizure of deeds concerning a rent of lands in London, “after the said John Archer was put to death.”⁵ But, though the M.P. was certainly Exeter’s servant, it is by no means certain that he was the John Archer of Warwickshire. Archer was naturally a common surname. Tanworth is not Tamworth.

ARCHER, JOHN (1445-93); of Sandwich and of Alfriston, Sussex. M.P. Sandwich 1483 Jan., 1483 June, 1487, 1489-90.

Mayor of Sandwich 1483-4; occurs from 1472-90 in the Sandwich records, being granted void land in 1472 as though he lived there; elected to Parlt., 18 Dec. 1482, 6 June 1483, 8 Oct. 1487; and was a jurat sworn in Dec. 1487, Dec. 1489. On 5 Apr. 1490, returning from Parlt., “Master John Archer and Thomas Bultele, late burgesses to Parlt., displayed confirmation of the port’s charter.”⁶

ARDERNE, ROBERT (1405-59); of The Lodge and Castle Bromwich, esq. M.P. WARWICKSHIRE 1449-50. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Sir Ralph Arderne (*d.* 1420/1) of the Lodge by Bromwich, by Sibil; *m.* Elizabeth, da. and h. of Richard Cloddeshall.⁷

Sheriff, Warw. and Leics. 1437-8. In 1442 he had demised Wapenham to

¹ Sandwich Yr. Bks., *per* Miss E. Scroggs.

² List in Hastings Town Hall.

³ Ancient Indicts. of K.B., 12. 9/332.

⁴ 1455. *Rentale Civitatis Sarum de Assisis*, fol. 161, quoted *Wilts Arch. Mag.* xxxvii. 86.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/191.

⁶ Sandwich Records MSS., *per* Miss E. Scroggs. *Sussex Arch. Soc.* xxii. 118.

⁷ Dugdale, *Warwickshire*, 925; *Visitn. Warw.*

Richard Willoughby.¹ Next year he was to have gone in arms to France, but his letters of protection were revoked because he tarried at Bromwich or Saltley;² pardoned, 26 June 1446, as of La Logge, esq., *alias* of Castle Bromwich, Warw., gent.³ He got into trouble in 1452/3 as a Yorkist, and on 28 Feb. 1453 £7 9s. 4d. was paid to Thomas Est and John Beaufitz (*q.v.*) for the safe custody of Robert Arderne esq. and John Mattys in Kenilworth Castle, for conducting them from Kenilworth to Hereford, and for fetters bought for their safe custody.⁴

He was probably with York at Ludlow and captured then. At least the Arderne of Parkhall pedigree drawn up for the Visitation says that he was executed at that time, 1459. The famous Thomas Lytleton got his lands to farm, probably as a friend.⁵

ARNBURGH (ARMEBURGH), REYNOLD (1425-70); of Huntingdon, lawyer. M.P. Huntingdon boro', 1447, 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1450-1.

Admtd. Lincoln's Inn, 1444; a feoffee (with Robert Armeburgh esq.) of Mancetter, Warw., for Thomas Arblaster (*q.v.*), 12 Dec. 1449; admtd. to repasts at Lincoln's Inn for seven years, 1461; ordered to be arrested, touching certain riots and offences, and brought before the Council, July 1458;⁶ but J.P. Hunts., of the quorum, 18 June 1460 to 20 July 1461.

ARTLER, WILLIAM. M.P. Arundel 1491-2.

Undiscovered. This impossible name is probably the error of some transcriber of the list, and the list contains many similar mistakes of Christian name and surname. There are no Returns for 1491.

ARUNDELL,⁷ Sir REMFRY⁸ (1400-1442/5); cadet of Lanherne, Cornwall. M.P. CORNWALL 1431, 1433, 1442.

Yst. s. of Sir John Arundell (FitzAlan) of Lanherne (d. 1433), by Annora da. and coh. of Sir William Lambourne; *m.* Jane widow of Sir William Hungerford and da. of Sir John Coleshill,¹⁰ by whom he had (Sir) Remfry (*q.v.*). Annora *rem.* John Nanfan (*q.v.*).

Comnr. Cornwall, 18 Nov. 1432 to 18 Jan. 1436; acctd. to the Crown for Botreaux lands in Cornwall, 1433;¹¹ accompanied Cardinal Beaufort to Arras, being granted a safe conduct, 14 July 1435;³ kntd. 1435/7; sheriff, Cornwall, 1437-8; J.P. Cornwall, 19 Nov. 1438 to 20 Nov. 1439; granted, jointly with Margaret Sarnesfeld, the manor and boro' of Helston for life, 29 Oct. 1440, provided that he "is specially retained with the king for life," the grant being

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1442), 66.

² *Ibid.* (1443), 181.

³ Pardon Roll, 1446, m.42.

⁴ F. Devon, *Issues*, 475.

⁵ Pardon, 30 Oct. 1462, to Tho. Lytelton, serjt.-at-law, farmer of the lands late of Robt. Arderne late of La Logge, Castle Bromwich, Minworth, Crudworth, etc. (m.16).

⁶ With him was one John Minsterchambre, probably father of Thomas Minsterchambre (*q.v.*).

⁷ Arms:—Sa., six swallows (hirondelles) ar.

⁸ This is the spelling of this christian name now used by the family.

⁹ Coleshill was M.P. Cornwall, 1391, 1414, and presumably father of Sir John Coleshill (*q.v.*).

¹⁰ *Enr. Accts.* F.11 Hen. VI. C.

¹¹ *Foedera*, V. i. 21.

renewed (in survivorship), 15 Feb. 1441.¹ He was steward of the Earl of Warwick's lands in Cornwall.

D. 1442/5.²

ARUNDELL, Sir REMFRY (1425-1468); of Tremordrat, Cornwall. King's Servant 1463. M. P. WORCESTERSHIRE 1467-8.

S. and h. of Sir Remfry Arundell M.P. (1400-42/5) by Jane (Coleshill), afterwards wife of John Nanfan M.P. of Birtsmorton, Worcs. His younger brother John (*d.* 1504)³ was Bishop of Exeter.⁶ *M.* Anne, *d.* 1508, da. of Sir Andrew Ogard M.P.

On 22 Feb. 1460 he was pardoned all treasons, and therefore he was probably a Yorkist who had been at Ludford. Sheriff, Cornwall, 1461-63; Sub-sheriff, Worcs., 1463-4; J.P. Cornwall, 10 June 1465 to 28 Jan. 1467. In 1461/3 Richard Penpons sued him as sheriff and Richard Joce, under-sheriff, for land in Redruth etc., Cornwall.⁴ He was called King's servitor when granted the forfeited manors in Cornwall of Sheviock and Antony, late of the Earl of Devon, 30 Jan. 1463. Knighted 1463/5. His stepfather found him his seat for Worcestershire.

D. 2 June 1468; when Remfry, aged 3, was his s. and h.; lands—Cornwall. In his will pr. in P.C.C. in 1468 he desired to be buried in the Greyfriars, London (25 Godyn).

ASH (ASSHE), JOHN (1400-60); of Mdsx., king's servant 1429-52. M.P. MIDDLESEX 1433, 1439-40.

At the Exchequer, Feb. 1429;⁵ J.P. Mdsx., 3 Feb. 1433 to 30 June 1449; on several comns. 1433-8; sworn to the peace, Mdsx., 1 May 1434; deputy Steward of the Household, July 1434; elector, Mdsx., 1442; a yeoman of the Crown, Oct. 1449; still alive in 1452.⁶

ASH (AYSSHE), JOHN (1430-82); of Exeter, controller of subsidy 1460-1. M.P. Exeter 1460-1. Lancastrian.

Apptd. controller of subsidy and of tronage and poundage in Plymouth and Fowey, 15 Apr. 1460, on the nomination of Henry, duke of Exeter;⁷ Devon elector 1453, 1472, 1478; juror at Exeter 1464; pardoned, "of Clyftsowton," Devon,

¹ These grants were made at the instance of Cardinal Beaufort. Margaret Sarnesfeld was the widow of Sir Nicholas Sarnesfeld.

² He was dead by 1446; *Pardon Roll*, 1446, C67/39, m.17, "John Nanfan and Jane his wife exix. of will of Remfry Arundell", etc.

³ *Dict. Nat. Biog. sub voce.*

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/1.

⁵ When, by command of the Council, he paid Cardinal Beaufort £300 for his expenses; Devon, *Issues*, 407.

⁶ In Sept. 1452 he was granted 6d. a day for life out of Berks. (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1452, 19); and about that time Queen Margaret wrote urging Sir John Dynham to pay him £14 14s. od., due to him; *Letters of Margaret of Anjou*, 144.

⁷ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* iii. 342.

⁸ Sowton, 4 miles east of Exeter. The Aysshe family held land in Sowton from the 14th to the 18th century (1310-1775). (*Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.)

gent.", for offences of livery, 9 May 1467; pardoned again, 8 May 1472, "of Georgesclyst, Gabrielsclist, Honingtonsclyst and Bishopsclist, Devon, *alias* late of Exeter" (m.23).

D. 23 Mar. 1482, when William Ash, aged 40, was bro. and h. Lands—Devon. William Ash was bailiff of Exeter in 1462-3.

ASH (NASH), RICHARD (1420-75); of Hastings and Southampton, merchant;¹ customer 1468. M.P. Southampton 1461-2.

The Southampton stewards paid him in 1457 for sending to Portsmouth tidings of the French men out of Normandy;² pardoned, 1458, with the strange link "of Hastings" and "of Southampton";³ paid his Parlt. wages by the stewards, 2s. a day for 59 days, 1462;⁴ and while at Parlt. he got confirmation of "our new schartrter."⁵ Sheriff of Southampton 1464-5—never mayor. As "of Southampton" he was paid for victualling the King's ships, June 1465;⁶ collr. of customs and subsidies there in 1468. He was granted (or bought) a £20 pension out of Ringwood, Hants, 9 May 1470.

Dead by 1475/85 when John Ludlow, mayor of Southampton, was being sued by William Saunders of Southampton, mercht., administrator of Ash's goods and estate.⁵

ASH (AYSSH), ROBERT (1420-85); of Dorchester. M.P. Dorchester 1447, 1450-1.

Perhaps s. of Robert Ash, who witnessed a charter at Dorchester, 1426.⁶

A pledge for William Frampton (*q.v.*) in 1449 (2) when elected for Dorchester; witnessed a deed of the bailiffs of Dorchester, 4 Apr. 1474;⁷ bailiff of Dorchester, 1482-3.⁸

ASHBOURNE (ASSHEBURN), JOHN (1430-80); of Northampton, glover.

M.P. Northampton boro' 1467-8.

S. and h. of John Ashburn of the same—bailiff 1441-2; mayor 1446-7 and 1454-5; *d.* 1456/64—by Eleanor his wife.⁹

In Nov. 1467 he was one of the twenty-four of Northampton. but never bailiff or mayor.¹⁰

ASHBY, GEORGE (1395¹¹-1475); of Harefield, Mdsx. Clerk of the Signet 1438-60. M.P. Warwick boro' 1459. Lancastrian.

Son of Thomas Ashby of Alspath and Lapworth, Warw. (dead 1435), by

¹ Pardon Roll, 20 Jan. 1458, Richard Nasshe of Hastings, yeoman, *alias* Richard atte Assh of S'hampton, mercht. (m.45).

² Davies, *Southampton*, 215.

⁴ Issue Rolls, 5 Edw. IV.

⁶ Mayo & Gould, *Dorchester*, 255.

⁸ *ibid.*, 301-2, 304.

⁹ His father's will dat. is 12 Sept. 1456, pr. in P.C.C., 5 June 1464 (4 Godyn).

¹⁰ *Northampton Records*, i. 309.

¹¹ He says he was aged 80 when writing advice for the Prince of Wales, *i.e.*, before 1471; but at that age one exaggerates.

³ Davies, *op. cit.* 156-7.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/115.

⁷ *ibid.*, 297.

Margaret; and bro. of Paul Ashby, who settled on him for life land in Lapworth which Margaret his mother then held after the death of her husband Thomas.¹

He was granted a corrody at St. Bartholomew's, Smithfield, in Feb. 1438 and, as Clerk of the Signet, was made constable of Dinevor Castle, to hold by self or deputy, 7 June 1438;² went to Calais with the King's secretary, July 1439.³ As King's Serjeant he was granted a pension of £10 at the Exchequer till he receive office of that value, 9 July 1441; present at the coronation of the Queen 1445, and made Clerk of the Signet to her with a further 10 marks a year;⁴ also steward of Warwick, to hold by self or deputy during the Warwick minority, 18 June 1446. At the same time his £10 pension was moved to come out of Framland, Leics. Parliament in 1449-50 resumed his grant of Dinevor which was regranted him, as King's Serjeant, Clerk of the Signet, 26 Jan. 1452. In Aug. 1454 George Ashby esq., of le Forde's in Worcester diocese, and his wife had an indult for a portable altar.⁵

He was frequently abroad, sat in the Coventry Parliament, and was imprisoned in the Fleet in 1463.⁶ Soon afterwards he was in France with the Queen directing the education of Prince Edward. In his earliest extant poem he describes himself as in prison but having been "writing to the signet full fourty years." He had been in the service of Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, and was a poet of some note.⁶ He acquired an estate called Brakespeares in Harefield, Middlesex, and there he died, 20 Feb. 1475,⁷ and was buried (M.I.). He left a son John who died 1496,⁸ and in 1500 George Ashby (grandson, d. 1515) was Clerk of the Signet to Henry VII.⁹ Further, on his writings and as to the whereabouts of his MSS., may be seen in the *Dict. Nat. Biog.*

ASHBY (ASHEBY), NICHOLAS (1410-58); of Stafford. M.P. Stafford Boro' 1449 (1).

S. of John Ashby, and a burgess of Stafford; dead in 1458, when his da. Margaret was his h.¹⁰

ASHENDEN (AYSHYNDEN), THOMAS (1435-93), of London, gent. M.P. Wallingford 1472-5.

A *Richard* Assenden was a Berks. elector in 1472; *William* Asshenden sued for rent in Denton, Oxon.¹¹ Thus the Wallingford M.P. may well have had local connection, but he himself was of London, gent.—pardoned, 25 Sept. 1462.¹² The widow of a London fishmonger sued him as her agent, 1467/72;¹³ and he was suing concerning money for masses for a deceased London alderman, 1472/3.¹⁴ In 1473/5 Thomas Ashenden, gent., sued John Danet and Lucy his w., late w. and exix. of John Jeny, for breach of an agreement to provide the said Asshenden with

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 29.

² Issue Roll, Hen. VI. No. 734.

³ *Cal. Pap. Reg.* 1454, p. 681.

⁴ *Letters of Margaret of Anjou*, p. 114.

⁵ Gairdner, *Lett. & Pap.* ii, 90.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 15/276.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 43/171.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1438), 177.

⁴ *ibid.* No. 757.

⁶ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Geo. Ashby.

⁸ *Dict. Nat. Biog. ut supra.*

¹⁰ *Staffs. Colls.* (N.S.), iv. 107.

¹² Pardon Roll, 1462 (m.16).

¹⁴ *ibid.* 47/277.

board and lodging if he marry Agnes da. of the said John and Lucy Jeny¹—which suit provides evidence of his marriage, perhaps also of his age and of activities in Parliament, not strictly national.

D. shortly before 27 July 1493 when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschrs. of Kent and London.²

ASHEWELLE see ASHWELL.

ASHING (ESSHYNG), THOMAS ; of Arundel, Sussex. M.P. Arundel 1449-50.

Probably descended from John Esshyng.³

In 1449/50, Thomas Esshyng fined with John Hull and Jane his wife *re* 4 messuages, 2 tofts and 13 acres of land and 6½ acres meadow in Arundel, Offham and S. Stoke, Sussex.⁴

ASHINGTON (ESYNGTON), JOHN (1435-95); ald. of Newcastle, merchant. M.P. Newcastle-on-Tyne 1478.

Sheriff of Newcastle 1468-9; and alderman by 1490/1. In 1470/1 letters of marque were issued against him by the Duke of Burgundy,⁵ so that he must have been shipowner, if not pirate.

ASHTON see ASSHETON.

ASHWELL (ASSHEWELLE), EDWARD. M.P. Downton 1455-6.

Undiscovered; perhaps a servant of the Bishop of Winchester, who controlled Downton.

ASHWELL (HESEWELL), JOHN (1445-1500); of Cambridge, grocer.

M.P. Cambridge boro' 1478, 1483 Jan., 1483 June, 1484, 1485-6 (? 1487), 1489-90, 1491-2.

S. of John Ashwell of same, M.P. (1415-67); *m.* Agnes, who survived him and *d.* 1511.

By trade a grocer and keeper of a tavern in psh. of Gt. St. Mary;⁶ bailiff of Cambridge 1476; mayor 1482-3, 1490-1, returning himself three times; J.P. Cambridge boro', of the quorum, 4 June 1483 (when mayor) till death; pardoned, 12 Dec. 1485, as "of Cambridge, merchant, *alias* burgess of Cambridge (issued while he was M.P.), *alias* late mayor, *alias* grocer." (m. 4); on Cambridge gaol delivery comms., 1486 to 1500, also in Berks. and Glos.; a feoffee in Barton, Cambs., Oct. 1486. A deed of 1488, among the town records, guarantees "Hesewelle" immunity from serving as mayor again if he will serve for the next two years.⁷

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 48/524.

³ Also M.P. Arundel.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 240.

⁷ Cooper, *Annals of Cambridge*, 239.

² *Fine Roll*, 8 Hen. VII (m.3).

⁴ *Sussex Rec. Soc.* (1916), 263.

⁶ *Biog. Notes on Mayors of Cambridge*, pp. 9, 19.

D. 1500; by his will, pr. 1500,¹ he left land in Barton, Whitwell and Coton for his anniversary in the ch. of Gt. St. Mary. His widow Agnes, by her will pr. 1511, bequeathed a fish stall in Cambridge for the same purpose.²

ASHWELL (HESEWELL), JOHN (1415-1467); of Cambridge. M.P. Cambridge boro' 1467 till death.

Bailiff of Cambridge 1453; elector 1447, 1449, 1453, 1455; J.P. Cambridge boro', 8 Oct. 1460 to 20 Jan. 1465; mayor 1460-1. During his mayoralty he arrested Henry Akenborough who had claimed sanctuary in the cemetery of St. Peter's church. For this he and his bailiffs were cited to appear before the Bishop of Ely on 9 Mar. 1461. Ashwell submitted and was absolved from the penalty of excommunication and enjoined to convey Akenborough and his goods from the Tolbooth by way of the Market Place back to the cemetery and church.³ He died in 1467 while M.P., and left £5 to the making of the south side of St. Mary's church.⁴ His son John was also M.P.

ASHWELL (ASHEWELLE), WILLIAM (1400-58); ald. of Norwich, merchant. M.P. Norwich, 1433, 1435, 1439-40, 1449-50, 1450-1, 1455-6.

M. Alice — (who predeceased him), by whom he had Henry, John, William, Katrine and Margaret.

Living before 1424;⁵ sheriff, Norwich, 1431-2; alderman by 21 Mar. 1437⁶ till death; mayor, 1441-2, 1448-9; J.P. Norwich, 28 Oct. 1441 to 19 Mar. 1443; elector, Norwich, 1442, 1449 (1), 1453;⁷ justice of City of Norwich, 1452;⁸ indicted, with other citizens of Norwich, by Sir Thomas Tuddenham, John Heydon, and John Ulveston (*qq.v.*), etc., for High Treason, 1438.⁹

D. 1458; Will, dat. 20 Jan., pr. 4 Apr. 1458.¹⁰

ASHYNDEN see ASHENDEN.

ASSHE see ASH.

ASSHEBURN see ASHBOURNE.

ASSHETON (ASHTON), EDWARD (1430-82); of Callington, Corn.; recorder of Launceston. M.P. Truro 1467-8; Taunton 1472-5, 1478.

¹ P.C.C., 17 Moone.

² J. Milner Gray, *Biog. notes on Mayors of Cambridge*, p. 19.

³ *ibid.* p. 18.

⁴ *ibid.* p. 19.

⁵ Some time before 1424 he was sued for debt, as merchant of Norwich, by one Richard Monsle (or Mousle) (*Early Chan. Proc.* 5/189).

⁶ Hudson & Tingey, *Records of Norwich*, i. 28.

⁷ He was mayor on the first two occasions.

⁸ Hudson & Tingey, *op. cit.*, i. 305.

⁹ *ibid.* 346-7.

¹⁰ P.C.C., 12 Stokton. To be bur. in St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, next to his wife; bequests to children, convent of Friars, Mount Grace, Yorks., and many Norwich churches; exors. include sons Henry and John.

S. and h. of Nicholas Ashton of Callington, M.P., the judge (1395-1466).

Recorder of Launceston 1460;¹ pardoned, 7 Dec. 1468 as "of Callington, Corn., esq., s. and h. of Nicholas Ashton, justice of the Common Bench" (m.14); J.P. for Lostwithiel in 1468;² J.P. Cornwall, 18 Dec. 1469 to 8 Nov. 1470; comnr. of array in Cornwall, 1473.

D. 7 July 1482, when Nicholas, aged 12,³ was his s. and h.; lands—Cornwall. The custody of his lands and h. was granted to Sir Robert Willoughby in 1482, forfeited by him in 1484 and transferred to Sir Richard Harcourt (*q.v.*).

ASSHETON, Sir JOHN (1425-84); of Ashton-under-Lyme. M.P. LANCASHIRE 1472-5.

S. and h. of Sir Thomas Assheton, styled the alchemist, by Elizabeth da. of Sir John Byron; grandson of Sir John Assheton, M.P. Lancs. (1375-1428); *m.* (1) Dulcie da. of Sir Edmund Trafford, (2) Isabel (*d.* 1488), da. of Sir John Savile of Thornhill and widow of Oliver Mirfield.⁴

Knighted by Henry VI just before the battle of Northampton, 10 July 1460; Sheriff, Lancs. (joint) Mich. 1460 to Mich. 1463, Sheriff (sole) Mich. 1463 to Mich. 1464; granted a £20 pension which was exempted 1464.⁵ In 1471 he complained of trespass on his turbary at Ashton.⁶ On Lancs. comn. 1473 to seize the Harington estates.

D. 12 March 1484. The inquest *post mortem* was not held till 25 Aug. 1507, when his s. and h. Sir Thomas Assheton was aged 60 and upwards.

ASSHETON⁷ (ASHTON), NICHOLAS (1395-1466); of Callington, Cornwall, serjeant-at-law. M.P. Liskeard (May) 1421; Helston, 1422, 1423, 1425, 1427; Launceston, 1431, 1432; Helston and Truro, 1435; CORNWALL, 1439-40. Sumd. 1445, 1447, 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1450-1, 1453-4, 1455-6, 1459, 1460-1, 1461-2, 1463-5.

Perhaps yr. s. of Sir John Assheton M.P. 1382-90 of Ashton, Lancs; *m.* Margaret — (who predecd. him), by whom he had Edward (M.P.) and Jane who *m.* William Trevinor.

J.P. Cornwall, 7 July 1431 till death; also Devon and Wilts. from 1443, Dorset and Som. from 1444, Hants from 1447, and Surrey from 1448; justice of Assize, by 13 May 1443; justice of Common Bench by 9 July 1448; on a great number of comns., 1431 till death; sued (with Sir Walter Moyle (*q.v.*) and ors.) by Lord Cromwell, for refusing to convey Ampthill, Beds., to him, according to the will of Sir John Cornwall, lord Fanhope, 1444.⁸

D. 22 Mar. 1466 at Callington, being then justice of the Common Bench;⁹

¹ R. and O. Peters, *History of Launceston*.

² Anc. Indicts. of K.B. 9/324, 29.

³ Inq. *p.m.* 22 Ed. IV, No. 34.

⁴ *Ex inf.* Ralph Assheton M.P. ⁵ *Rot. Parl.* v. 546.

⁶ H. H. Strickland, *Lancs. M.P.s* (Chetham Soc.).

⁷ He always spells his name "Ayssheton".

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.*, 13/129.

⁹ Inq. *p.m.* 6 Edw. IV. Edward was his s. and h.

bur. with wife in Callington church—M.I. ;¹ Will dat. 11 Mar. 1465, pr. 11 July 1466.²

ASSHETON (ASHTON), Sir RALPH (1420–89); of Fritton-in-Redesdale, Yorks., Middleton, Lancs., and Westenhanger, Kent. King's servant 1473; Knt. of Body 1483–5; Vice-Constable 1483; Lieut. of the Tower 1483. M.P. Dorchester 1478; ? somewhere 1484.

Yst. s. of Sir John Assheton M.P. (1375–1428) of Ashton-under-Lyme, by his second wife Margaret da. of Sir John Byron. In 1439 he contracted to marry Margery (*d.* 1480 or after) da. and h. of John Barton of Middleton, Lancs., by whom he left issue now represented in the male line by the Asshetons of Downham, Lancs.;³ *m.* (2) in or before 1486 Elizabeth, da. of John Chicheley of Wimpole and widow of John Keriel of Stockbury, Kent; she remarried in 1490 Sir John Bourchier (*d.* 1495) and *d. s.p.* 1499.⁴

A page of honour to Henry VI, 1427/8;⁵ owed money to his London tailor 1450; Yorks. comn. of array, Nov. 1461; on a Kent comn. 1463; J.P. Yorks. 1461 to 1483; sheriff, Yorks., 1471–3; exempted from resumption 1473, as “our trusty and welbeloved servant and squire,”⁶ and he was granted the lordship of Landulf, Cornwall, 1473, the keepership of Windsor Park, 1475. Like other Windsor servants he was found a seat in the 1478 Parliament. If he was not already knighted, the Duke of Gloucester made the “black knight of Assheton” knight and banneret in Scotland, Aug. 1482. Sir Ralph was at Richard III's coronation,⁷ made J.P. Kent, 30 July 1483 to 1485, Knt. of the Body, and Vice-Constable, 24 Oct. 1483, to deal with Buckingham's rising—to try treason cases “without formalities or appeal.” Few were executed, but he was granted the lands of Sir Richard Guildford (*q.v.*).⁸ Pardoned, 5 Aug. 1484, as “of Fryton, Middleton, and Westynghennger, late sheriff of Yorks” (*m.* 7). Perhaps he shared with Brackenbury the Lieutenancy of the Tower.⁹ He was probably not at Bosworth, for though he lost all office, he was not attainted, but pardoned, 6 June 1486, with the same description and “late of London” also.¹⁰

Died, perhaps slain by his tenantry, 10 Apr. 1489¹¹ (or 1488 or 1487), buried at Middleton, M.I. brass. No will often means a sudden death; and about this same time the Earl of Northumberland was killed in a similar rising at Coxhoe.

ASSHEWELLE see ASHWELL.

ASTLEY, JOHN (1440–1502); of Northampton, merchant. M.P. Northampton boro' 1472–5.

¹ *Monuments of Cornwall.*

² To be bur. next his wife; bequests to da., Jane, and to chapel of Callington (£20) at the discretion of s., Edward; exors. include son and Robert Clay (*q.v.*); supervisor, Sir John Coleshill (*q.v.*). (P.C.C. 14 Godyn.)

³ *Ex inf.* Ralph Assheton M.P.

⁵ MS. pedigree book of Sir Ralph Assheton.

⁷ *Excerpta. Hist.* p. 384.

⁸ *Sussex Arch. Soc.* xxxvii, 107.

⁹ *Dict. Nat. Biog. sub* Sir Ralph Assheton.

⁴ *Comp. Peer.* v. 360.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 84.

¹⁰ Pardon Roll, 1486, m. 12.

¹¹ His widow remd. in 1490, and the remarriage of heiresses was rarely delayed.

He was chamberlain of Northampton 1469-70;¹ bailiff of Northampton 1476-7; mayor 1487-8. *D.* 1502. Will dat. 9 Nov. 1502, pr. 27 Feb. 1503.²

He was *not* the John Astley, customer of Newcastle 1454-60; still less was he Sir John Astley, K.G., knt. of the Body 1461-83.

ATKINSON (ATKYNSON), ROBERT; yeoman of the ewery. M.P. Stafford boro' 1447.

On 8 Nov. 1436, there was granted, during pleasure, to Robert Atkynson, yeoman of the ewery for the king's mouth, the office of launder of Plompton, Cumbd., to hold by himself or deputy.

There is no one of the name known locally; and both these Stafford Members seem to have been nominated at least, if not returned, far from Stafford.

ATTWATER (WATER, ATTE), JOHN (1425-1500); of Wells, cloth-maker. M.P. Wells 1453-4, 1460-1, 1483 (June), 1483 (Oct.).

Made a freeman 1444; witnesses a deed as burgess of Wells 1451; mayor of Wells ten times between 1453 and 1485, never returning himself; on a Wells jury 1462; pledge for freemen repeatedly 1457 to 1493;³ pardoned, 16 Dec. 1471, as of Wells, merchant and cloth-maker.

D. 1500; Will of John atte Water, dat. 23 June, pr. 18 Nov. 1500.⁴

ATTWILL, JOHN (1440-1500); of Exeter, cloth-merchant. M.P. Exeter 1478, 1489-90, 1491-2, 1495, 1497.⁵

Probably s. of William Attwill, M.P. (1415-70), shipowner of Exeter.

Bailiff of Exeter 1472-3; senior bailiff 1474-5; mayor 1476-7, 1479-80, 1483-4, 1493-4, 1496-7. A cloth-merchant, Master John Attwyll, was suing the mayor and town clerk of Exeter for partiality,⁶ and for imprisonment and disregard of writs of *sub-poena*⁷ as early as 1467/72; and through prison he became famous in the "Attwill case" 1478. Several writs of arrest had been obtained against him by private suitors, and the Commons House petitioned that a writ of *supersedeas* be issued in each case, on the ground that attention to the business of Parliament was the supreme necessity.⁸ An Act was passed to cancel the proceedings.⁹ As "Master" John, of Exeter, merchant, he had a general pardon,

¹ *Northampton boro' records*, vi. 362.

² To be bur. in St. Mary's, Northampton. Bequests to Robert Astley "my shoppe" as stored. Exors. :- "Sir" Robert Astley, "Sir" William Pulverlost, John Harryes. (P.C.C. 17 Blamyr.)

³ Wells City Charters, *Som. Rec. Soc.* pp. 146-162.

⁴ To be bur. in Trinity church, St. Cuthbert's, Wells. Bequests to Dr. Walter Champneys to Thomas Champneys and Jane his w. (my da.) and their four children, to Margaret Reynon, another da.; and Thomas Reynon her s., to Humphrey Harvey and Agnes his w. another da. Masses for souls of Jane and Emma his late wives. Exors. :- Dr. Walter Champneys, Humphrey Harvey and Alayn Wise (P.C.C. 17 Moone).

⁵ Miss M. McKisack states, in error, that he was also M.P. in Jan. 1483 (*Mediæval Boro' Rep.* p. 154).

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 46/208. ⁷ *ibid.* 46/59. ⁸ Stubbs, *Constit. Hist.* iii. Ch. xx., p. 497.

⁹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 191.

1482. He was paid £8 for his services in London in 1482 in the dispute between the city council and the Tailors' guild.¹

ATWILL (ATTEWYLL), WILLIAM (1415-70); of Exeter and Dartmouth, Devon, merchant and searcher. M.P. Exeter 1455-6, 1460-1.

The Pardon Roll of 1446 (m.40) includes William Atwyll, citizen of Exeter, merchant, late searcher of Exeter and Dartmouth.

ATTWOOD (WOOD), THOMAS (1445-1510); of Canterbury. M.P. Canterbury 1484, 1487, 1504.

A feoffee of lands in Sturrey, Kent, *temp.* Edward IV; under William Benet's undated will, he is to have "the berne at Carthgate with lands thereto belonging."² Elector, Canterbury, 1472, 1478. John Freningham, Hamond Bell and Thomas Atwood (all Yorkists) were paid for carrying the schedule of names of Lancastrian citizens to London, 1471.³ Supervisor of the will of Roger Brent of Canterbury 1487.⁴ On gaol delivery, Canterbury, 1508.

AUBREY (AWBRY), JOHN (1430-1500); alderman of Norwich, draper. M.P. Norwich 1472-5.

Perhaps s. of William Aubrey, common serjeant of Norwich in 1449.

Edward and John Awebray were in Leicester gaol, Dec. 1457. This may be the future alderman. Sheriff, Norwich, 1460; mayor 1468-9, 1479-80;⁵ alderman from 1468. He was pardoned, Dec. 1462, as late sheriff;⁶ exempt from all office 1464, as "the elder"; pardoned again, 6 Oct. 1468, as alderman.⁷ While mayor, he was ordered to arrest Paston's friend Berney (*q.v.*) of Witchingham, Sept. 1469. An elector in Norfolk 1478; on gaol delivery comms. at Norwich 1480-6. In his will, made under sentence of death in June 1483, Earl Rivers remembers that he owes money to Abrey, draper of Norwich.⁸

Aubrey *d.* in or soon after 1494. Will, dat. 20 Apr. 1494, pr. 17 Nov. 1506.⁹

AUBREY (ABURY) (*alias* PEWTERER), WILLIAM (1440-97); of Wells, pewterer. M.P. Wells 1472-5.

Made a freeman of Wells, 1463.¹⁰ William Pewterer appears frequently as pledge for freemen 1468-81. In 1476, William Awbry, perhaps his son, was

¹ He got the Tailors' charter annulled (J. J. Alexander, from the Exeter Receivers' Accounts). ² *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. p. 404.

³ Canterbury MSS. *Hist. MSS. Comm.* IX. App. i. p. 141.

⁴ Will of Roger Brent (P.C.C., 5 Milles).

⁵ Le Strange, *Norf. Offl. Lists*, 102-3.

⁶ Pardon Roll, 1462 (m.16).

⁷ Pardon Roll, 1468 (m.13).

⁸ *Excerpta Hist.* 247.

⁹ To be bur. in churchyard where he dies. 40s. to the Lady chapel at Woolpit (Suffolk), and 40s. for highways between Woolpit and Stowe. Exors. :—his bro. Aubrey, William Thorpe, Thomas Gowle. (P.C.C., 12 Adeane.)

¹⁰ *Som. Rec. Soc.* xlvi. 150.

made freeman by patrimony, William Pewterer being his pledge.¹ The Pardon Roll, 1471/2, includes William Aubrey of Wells, pewterer. He died 1497. Will of William Abre of Glastonbury, pewterer, proved 1497. Margaret his wife exix. ; Sir John Newman, overseer.²

AUDLEY, Hon. JOHN (1425-90) (Lord Audley 1459) ; of Chichester. Yeoman of the Crown 1450-9 ; P.C. 1471 ; Treasurer 1484-5. M.P. SUSSEX 1453-4. Sumnd. ? 1459, 1460-1, 1461-2, 1463-5, 1467-8, 1470-1, 1472-5, 1478, 1483 (1), 1484, 1487, 1489-90.

S. and h. of James (Touchet), lord Audley (killed at Blore Heath 1459) by Margaret da. of William, lord Roos ; m. Anne, widow in 1450 of John Rogers and da. and coh. of Sir Thomas Echingham³ whence he got his land in Sussex and in Chichester. His son, the next lord, led the Cornish rebels to Blackheath and was beheaded and attainted 1497.

In June 1446 Audley and Thomas Eyre, groom of the Chamber, were made joint keepers of Berkswell, Warw. ; he was paid 20 marks for his labour at taking of Thomas Skinner, 7 Aug. 1451 ;⁴ and had a pension of £20 a year from 6 Nov. 1453.⁵ In Oct. 1454 John Audley esq. of Chichester sued the Bishop of Bath and Wells for admonishing him at East Grinstead.⁶ J.P. Dorset, 3 Nov. 1456 to 15 Nov. 1458—he was then one of the 23 yeomen of the Crown.⁷ On Sussex comms. in May 1455, and to assist York in putting down the riots in the west, 5 Dec. 1455.

His father fell commanding the Lancastrian army at Blore Heath, 23 Sept. 1459, and though there is no writ of summons to him endorsed on the Close Rolls he was at the Coventry Parlt. ; and he had there livery of his father's lands without proof of age. In Jan. 1460 Audley sailed with the expedition to secure Calais. His ship was driven into Calais by stress of weather and he was taken prisoner by Warwick. The Earls won him over to their side and he returned with them in June and was summoned to the 1460-1 Parlt. Although wrongly reported in the *Paston Letters* to be in Scotland with Queen Margaret,⁸ he remained in reality a firm Yorkist. In May 1461 he was made Steward of the King's forests in Dorset and keeper of Wardour Castle, Wilts. He was sumnd. to Parlt. again 26 May 1461, and put on the bench for Staffs, Derby, Salop, Somerset, Wilts., Hants and Dorset. Herbert, Stafford, Audley and Fogge were the "grasping favorites" denounced by Robin of Redesdale in 1468,⁹ and Robin took his tone from Warwick. Audley indeed remained on the bench in his seven counties during the Readeption, but Edward IV on his return made him Privy Councillor and Master of the King's dogs, 5 July 1471. He was exempted from Resumption in 1473 ;¹⁰ ambassador to Brittany, 20 June 1475.¹¹ In 1475 too he petitioned Parlt. for the custody of his minor nephew John, son of Humphrey Audley knt.¹² He

¹ *Som. Rec. Soc.* xlv. 156

² *ibid.*, Somerset Wills.

³ Sir Thos. Echingham (b. 1398) held Echingham and Odimer, Sussex.

⁴ Issue Rolls, Hen. VI, No. 784.

⁵ *ibid.* No. 819.

⁷ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 224.

⁹ *Scofield, Edward IV.* I. 492.

¹¹ *Foedera*, V. iii. 69.

⁶ *Cal. Papal Reg.* 1454.

⁸ *Paston Letters*, ii. 47.

¹⁰ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 77.

¹² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 127.

adhered to Richard III; was one of the 33 Peers at his coronation; Treasurer of England c. Oct. 1484-5, succeeding Sir John Wood (*q.v.*)

The coming of Henry VII lost Audley the Treasurership, but he was sent in June 1490 to treat with the King of France.¹ That journey may have finished him, for he *d.* 26 Sept. 1490. No member of this family called themselves or were called by the surname Touchet, though it had been his great grandfather's name when he married the Audley coheiress.²

AUGER (AWGER), RICHARD.

M.P. Shoreham 1459.

In July 1461 *Henry* Auger, a squire of Kent, was ordered to sea with men-at-arms. A *Robert* Aweger, *alias* Auchier, *alias* Auger of Rotherfeld, Sussex, gent., was pardoned 1 Feb. 1472. But Richard Auger is undiscovered.

AUNCELL see ANSELL.

AUSTELL (AUSTYLL), JOHN (1405-63); of Churchill, Som., esq.³
M.P. Wells 1432, SOMERSET 1439-40; DEVON 1449 (1). Lancastrian.

He had a bro. Thomas, a canon of Wells, and a sister Emmota (Brown); *m.* Margaret.

Admtd. freeman of Wells, and elected same day, 1432;⁴ witnessed a charter of the commonalty of Wells, 1438;⁵ J.P. Som., 23 Mar. 1439 to 26 Nov. 1451; comnr., Som. 1438-59 (including Lancastrian comn. of array, 21 Dec. 1459); comnr. Devon 1440, Bristol 1442, 1448, and Wells 1453; sheriff of Cornwall, 1446-7, of Som. and Dorset 20 Dec. 1449-50; pardoned, 1 Dec. 1455; collector of clerical subsidy (Bath & Wells), 1458.⁶ Died 8 June 1463;⁷ lands—Devon.

AVERAY, THOMAS (1435-96); of Southwark. Coroner of the Marshalsea.
M.P. Southwark 1472-5.

He was made coroner of the Marshalsea of the Household, 1469, and accounts for the profit thereof 1469-71.⁸ The marshalsea was in Southwark.

D. 1496; Will, dat. 24 Sept. pr. 22 Oct. 1496.⁹ He is not the Thomas Overey, King's servant, constable of Southampton 1485-1503.

¹ *Foedera*, V. iv. 34.

² Cf. the dropping of the name Sutton in the family of the lords Dudley, and of the surname FitzAlan among the cadets of the earls of Arundel. This habit of taking a surname from a title was more common in the case of bastards, *e.g.*, Sir Charles Somerset, ancestor of the Earls of Worcester, and the bastard Faucomberg.

³ Pardon Roll, 1 Dec. 1455 (m. 14).

⁴ Wells Convocation Bks. Evidently it was necessary to be a freeman to be returned for Wells. One of his pledges was John Godwin of Wells (*q.v.*).

⁵ *Wells City Chart.* (*Som. Rec. Soc.*, xlv. 107.)

⁶ Pardon Roll, 1458, m. 39.

⁷ *Inq. p.m.* 2 Edw. IV. Heirs: John Folby; Agnes, sis. of John; William Stol knt.; John Trethewy knt.; Thos. Byconall; Thos. Beaumont; and John Fitzpayne.

⁸ *Enr. Accts.* F. 10 Ed. IV. D.

⁹ To be bur. where he dies. Bequest to church of St. Thomas, Southwark, for tithes forgotten. Bequest to Margaret Dawkins, da. of Jane his w. Residue to Jane and she sole exix. Supervisor, Henry Wodecok of London. (P.C.C., 7 Horne.)

AWBRY see AUBREY.

AWGER see AUGER.

AXING see HAXEY, JOHN.

AYGGECOMBE see EDGECOMBE.

AYSSH see ASH.

AYSSHETON see ASSHETON.

BABINGTON, THOMAS¹ (1455-1519); of Dethick, Derbyshire; lawyer. Recorder of Nottingham, 1492-1519. M.P. Nottingham boro' 1495, 1504.

S. of John Babington of Dethick (said to have been slain at Bosworth) by Isabel da. of Henry Bradbourne and widow of a Rolleston of Rolleston, Staffs.; *m.* (1) Edith da. of Ralph Fitzherbert of Norbury by whom he had Anthony s. and h., *b.* 1476, (2) after 1511, Margery.²

Entered Inner Temple; reader 1506;³ governor 1507-11. J.P. Derbys., 26 June 1483 to 23 Nov. 1487, and 13 June 1502 till death; on Derby and Notts comns. from Aug. 1483, chiefly array, and from 1493 on gaol delivery, Nottingham. Recorder of Nottingham 1492 till death.⁴ He was paid £6 6s. *od.* for attending Parlt., 63 days in 1495.⁵ "Master and Sovereign of the Order of the Temple of Zion."⁶ Founded a chantry at Ashover, Derbys., 1511.⁷

D. 13 Mar. 1519,⁸ when Anthony, aged 43, was his s. and h., and succeeded him as recorder of Nottingham.⁴ Will, dat. 24 Feb., pr. 20 June 1519.⁹

BABINGTON (BABYNGTON), THOMAS (1420-71); recorder of Nottingham 1450-71, lawyer. M.P. DERBYSHIRE 1445-6; Nottingham boro' 1447, 1450-1, 1461-2, 1467-8, 1470-1.

Yr. s. of Chief Justice Sir William Babington (*d.* 1454), by Margery da. of Peter Martell of Chilwell, Notts.¹⁰ His elder bro. William (1414-70) was M.P. Notts. in 1445 when Thomas sat for Derbyshire.

In Mar. 1445, as of Derby esq., he was a mainpernor for Ralph lord Cromwell;¹¹ recorder of Nottingham by 1450, and probably remained so till his death;¹² eschr. Notts. and Derby 1445-6. In Dec. 1451 his father, Sir William, settled land in

¹ It is probably this man who was copyist and annotator of the Leicester Harmsworth MS. of the Year Books mentioned in *Select Cases in the Exchequer Chamber*, p. lxxxix.

² *Visitn. Notts.* 151. ³ *Paston Letters*, ii. 170. n. ⁴ *Records of Nottingham*, ii. 489.

⁵ *Thoroton Soc. Trans.* 1923, p. 58. ⁶ *Paston Letters*, ii. 170.

⁷ Prayers for himself and Anthony; for Katherine his da., wife of George Chaworth; for his bro. Henry, formerly D.D.; for Sir John Babington of Chelwell; John Ormond of Alfreton; and Elizabeth, Ormond's da., wife to Anthony; and for his late wife Edith. (*L. & P. Hen. VIII.* i. 857 (21).)

⁸ Altar tomb in Ashover church (Glover, *Derbyshire*, pp. 54, 55).

⁹ To be bur. at Ashover near wife Edith. Exhibitions for poor scholars at Oxford and Cambridge. Exors:—son Anthony, Master Ralph Babington, clerk, George Chaworth, Roger Grenehall. Supervisor—his son "Sir" John Babington. (P.C.C., 18 Ayliffe.)

¹⁰ *Visitn. Oxon.* 145-6. ¹¹ Fine Roll, 24 Hen. VI. (m.12). ¹² *Records of Nottingham*.

Essex on his sons, William, Robert and Thomas, and the heirs of Robert. On Nottingham comns., chiefly gaol delivery, 1448 to 1460; J.P. Notts., of the quorum, 4 June 1454 to 1461; elector in Derbys. 1449 (1), 1449 (2); in Notts. 1455. The mayor and others of Nottingham were directed to enquire touching the delivery of a writ to Thomas Babington, and the bearing of the latter on receipt of the writ, Jan. 1462. He was then M.P. for Nottingham, and Recorder—perhaps hostile to the Government. In 1463, as of Dethick, he was an apportioner of the subsidy in Derbys.¹

D. shortly before 11 Oct. 1471 when his will was pr. at York. He left no issue.²

BABINGTON (BABYNGTON), WILLIAM (1414-74); of Chilwell, Notts., esq., lawyer. M.P. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1439-40, 1445-6.

Second s.³ but h. of Sir William Babington, C.J. (d. 1454), by Margery, da. and h. of Peter Martell of Chilwell; m. Elizabeth, da. and h. of John Gibthorpe of "Willmstye", Lincs.⁴

Elector, Notts., 1442, 1447, 1449 (1), 1450, 1453, heading the list; appears on the Pardon Roll as "of Chilwell, Notts., junr., esq.", 1446;⁵ J.P. Notts., of the quorum, 6 July 1448 to 10 July 1461; enfeoffed by his father of one-third of Wolfhampton and Margaretting, Essex, with remainder to his bros. Robert and Thomas, Dec. 1451; sumnd. to the Gt. Council for Notts., Apr. 1455; on Notts. loan comn., May 1455; sheriff, Notts. and Derby, 21 Jan. to 17 Nov. 1456; lic. to found a chantry at Flawforth in Plumtree, Notts., to pray for him and his wife, and for the souls of his parents, Nov. 1458; pardoned, Mar. 1458, as "of Chilwell, s. and h. of Sir William decd., alias J.P. Notts."; and May 1462 as "late sheriff" also;⁶ incorrectly stated to have been killed as the result of a wound received in a duel, 1464.⁷

D. 1474; will dat. 27 May, pr. York, 6 Nov. 1474;⁸ bur. in Flawforth church.⁹

BAGOT, JOHN (1430-1504); of Bristol, merchant. M.P. Bristol 1467-8, 1472-5.

Son of Clement Bagot, bailiff, sheriff and mayor of Bristol, 1426, 1431 and 1437 respectively,¹⁰ living 1449.

Bailiff of Bristol 1455; sheriff 1458; on Bristol comns. 1457, 1458, 1464, 1486; elector Bristol 1460, 1478; mayor 1476.¹¹ He was pardoned, 8 May 1461,

¹ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV. ² *Ex inf.* C. Constable.

³ His eldest bro. John d. v.p. and s.p.—His yr. bro. Thomas (q.v.) was Recorder of Nottingham.

⁴ *Coll. Top. et Gen.*, viii, 313 et seq.; *Topog. and Geneal.* (1846), i. 133, 259, 340; Nichols, *Hist. of Leicester* (1804), iii. 954. ⁵ *Pardon Roll*, 1446 (m.47).

⁶ *Pardon Roll*, 1458 (m.25); *ibid.*, 1462 (m.32).

⁷ Though it is recorded (*Visit. Oxon.*, 145-6) that "this William was much given to duelling" and that "he was wounded in fighting with Hugh Willoughby of Risely, Derbs., from which wound he died", one must suppose that Willoughby in reality did not put an end to Babington's career in 1464, for in Sept. 1468, William Babington, esq., and Richard Willoughby, esq. arbitrated in the dispute between Sir Robert Clifton and Sir Robert Strelley (q.v.); (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 114). In addition, Babington's will is further objection to his having been killed in 1464. Hugh Willoughby was pardoned.

⁸ *York Arch. Assoc.*—Wills at York.

⁹ Foster, *Visitn. Yorks*, 454.

¹⁰ Williams, *Gloucester M.Ps.*

¹¹ Barrett, *Bristol*, pp. 680-1.

of Bristol, gent., *alias* merchant, *alias* esq. (m.8) ; and in June 1463 for all offences in trading with the Baltic ; and 1 July 1493 " of Bristol, esq., *alias* merchant, *alias* of Caylewes, Wilts." (m.35). He had a house in Redcliff St. in 1471 and another on the Quay in 1474.¹ In 1494 he gave a tenement to the city, the corporation paying 3s. 4d. yearly to the prisoners in Newgate prison.²

D. 1504. Will of John Bagett, dat. 22 June, pr. 11 July 1504.³

BAGOT, JOHN (1436-99) ; of Blithfield, esq. M.P. STAFFORDSHIRE 1478.

S. and h. of Richard Bagot of same (d. 1485), by Isabel (Aston) ; m. (1) in or before 1460 Isabel (d. 1480), da. of John Curzon of Essex and widow of John Eyton ; and (2) Agnes Kniveton.⁴

It will be observed that he was returned knight of the Shire by his father. While his father lived John resided at Field, Staffs. As his father was removed from the bench after Buckingham's rising, the Bagots were probably implicated or suspected. He held no office and died 1499.⁵ There is however a pardon to a John Bagot, 13 Mar. 1469, " of Paddington, gent., clerk of the Chancery, *alias* of Westminster " (m.4) ; possibly this shows his early life.

BAGOT, THOMAS. M.P. Old Sarum 1455-6.

There were Bagots in Bristol, and such a man was on a Bristol shipping comn., 4 June 1454.⁶ A Thomas Bagot was owed 60s. by a weaver of Devizes, Wilts., 1464.⁷ A Bagot was at Biddeston near Chippenham in 1520, but the name is very rare in Wilts.—cf., however, John Bagot's will, note 3 below.

BAILEY (BAYLE), RICHARD (1440-1505) ; of Ipswich. M.P. Ipswich 1497.

Bailiff of Ipswich 1488-9, 1494-5, 1501-2 ;⁸ collr. of subsidy, Ipswich, apptd. by Parlt. 1496 ;⁹ gaol delivery, Ipswich, 1504.

D. 1504 ; will, dat. 13 Oct., pr. 12 Dec. 1505.¹⁰

This bailiff of Ipswich is not likely to be Richard Bailey, yeoman of the Chamber in 1502.

BAILEY, THOMAS (1390-43/4) ; of Oxford. M.P. Oxford boro' 1437, 1442.

He proved the will of Gilbert Burton at Oxford, 1428 ;¹¹ J.P. Oxford Town, 8 Oct. 1440 (when mayor of Oxford) ; again mayor 1443-4, during which term of office he died.¹²

¹ *Bristol Wills*, 145, 161.

² Barret, *op. cit.*, 613.

³ To be bur. in St. Andrews, Chippenham. Bequests to Salisbury Cathedral and to churches in Bristol. Elizabeth his w. to be residuary legatee, and Exor. Supervisor Robert Blake. Bequests also to his bro., Richard Bagot, to Thomas Coke and Walter Bruer. (P.C.C., 15 Holgrave.)

⁴ *Staffs. Colls.* xi. N.S. 60-4.

⁵ *ibid.* 1917, p. 263.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1454), 175.

⁷ *ibid.* (1464), 317.

⁸ Bacon, *Ipswich*.

⁹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 519.

¹⁰ To be bur. St. Margaret's, Ipswich, next his w. ; to s. " Master " John Baily, £20 ; to s. " Sir " Robert 10 marks. Residue to Anne his w. and after her death to be sold and divided among her children. Exors. :—Anne, Thomas Drayle, and " Sir " Robert Baly, " my sonne " (P.C.C., 40 Holgrave).

¹¹ *Liber Albus*, 70, 131.

¹² *Ox. Hist. Soc.*, vol. 23, p. 185.

BAILY, JOHN (1405-50); servant to Lord Saye and Sele. M.P. Downton 1447.

A Henry Bayly was reeve for the Bp. of Winchester in Downton, 1439,¹ and John Bailly was a feoffee for the earl of Salisbury 1433.² He is probably the John Bailly murdered by Cade's mob at Whitechapel, together with William Crowmer (*q.v.*) and Lord Saye, 4 July 1450. James, lord Saye, made the Parlt. of 1447, and doubtless Baily, as well as John Brecknock, his co-member, were returned for Downton in 1447 by Saye's direction.³

BAKER, JOHN, probably of Northampton. M.P. Northampton boro' 1449-50. *See* Iham.

To judge from other Northampton M.P.s, John Baker should be a burgess of that town. If so, he is perhaps to be identified with John Higham, baker, mayor of Northampton in 1450, and M.P. for Northampton in 1442. But he might conceivably be the John Baker who was serjeant-at-arms 1443-60, and capt. of Carisbrooke castle in 1451.

BAKER, JOHN (1450-1505); of Langport,⁴ Som., gent. M.P. Bridgwater 1491-2.

S. and h. of Richard Baker esq. (*d.* 1475), by Jane (*b.* 1426) da. and h. of John and Christine Bromley; *m.* Jane (*b.* 1463), da. of Henry Parton and Jane (Bassett).⁵

A beneficiary under the will of Robert, lord Hungerford, in 1459; occurs frequently in Somerset deeds and settlements—generally described as of "Lampport" and gent., 1488-1500; comnr. of sewers 1500; witnessed Bridgwater deeds and apparently served as mayor there 1503.⁶ As he is heard of no more and is not on the 1509 pardon roll, he probably died soon after.

BAKER, JOHN, *alias* CHEESEMAN (1450-1504); of Rye. M.P. Rye 1497.

Chamberlain of Rye 1480-1; mayor of Rye 1490-1, 1495-6, 1499-1501; senior jurat 1501.

D. 1504; will, dat. 21 June, pr. 4 Aug. 1504.⁷

¹ Pipe Rolls of Bp. of Winchester.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 12/227.

³ "And a nothyr man that was namyde John Bayle was beheddyd at the Whytte Chapylle" (*Gregory's Chronicle*, Camden Soc., 1876, p. 192).

⁴ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.* i. p. 266.

⁵ Hutchins, *Dorset*, iv. 93.

⁶ S. G. Jarman, *Hist. Bridgwater*, 1889, p. 268.

⁷ John Chesman, *alias* Baker of Rye. To be bur. psh. ch. of Virgin Mary at Rye. W. Jane to have use of household goods for life, and principal tenement where he now lives. Rest of lands to sons Thomas, John and Richard. 10 marks to s. Thomas when of age, £20 to da. Elyn. Feoffees of his settled estates—John Tyler, Stephen Eston, John Joly, Richard Pedyll and my s. Thomas Baker. Exors. :—w. Jane, Clement Adam and George Mercer. Supervisor—Mr. Thomas Sands, doctor of decrees, vicar of Rye (P.C.C., 14 Holgrave).

BAKER, JOHN (1450-90) ; of Lewes, lawyer. M.P. Lewes 1478.

S. of Thomas Baker *alias* Sherman M.P. (1425-94) (*q.v.*). In 1475/85 Thomas Sherman and John Baker sued feoffees for uses for land in Denton, Heighton, etc., Sussex.¹ John Baker was a comnr. of array for Sussex, 1 May 1484, and J.P. Sussex, of the quorum, under Richard III, 5 Dec. 1483 to 18 Nov. 1484.

BAKER, WILLIAM (1440-90) ; of Devizes and of Wells, gent. M.P. Wilton 1478, (? 1484).

A comnr. in Hants 1467 ; £20 is owed to him in Wilts 1474 ; pardoned, 1 June 1484, as of Devizes, of Wells, and late of London, gent. (m.25). He may therefore have been a lawyer, or possibly M.P. in 1484.

BAKER, WILLIAM (1420-80) ; of Lambeth, Surrey. M.P. Reigate 1459.

Perhaps s. of William Baker of Canterbury, who was sworn to the peace, 1 May 1434. In 1442, William, Richard, John and Thomas Baker, heirs of William Bechyng, late of Sandhurst, Kent, sued Thomas Warnecluf and Stephen Colet for lands in Sandhurst.²

William Baker of Lambeth took out a pardon for the Cade affair, 7 July, 1450.³ In Nov. 1452, Sheldwick (M.P.) and William Benet (M.P.) released lands in Canterbury, Rainham and Wickham, to William Baker and Christine his wife, sister and h. of John Pyrye, decd.⁴ A comnr. of sewers for Sussex, 15 Mar. 1465 ;⁵ pardoned outlawry for not appearing, as " of Harrietsham, Kent ", in 1479.⁶

BALDRY, THOMAS (1440-1500) ; of Ipswich ; customer. M.P. Ipswich 1483 (Oct.), 1484, 1491-2.

S. and h. of William Baldry M.P. (1420-83) of same.

Bailiff of Ipswich 1484-5, 1488-9, 1493-4, 1498-9. In 1483 he was to be paid 2s. a day for going to Parlt. ;⁷ just after the dissolution in 1484 he was appointed customer of Ipswich. Exor. of the will of William Wymbill (*q.v.*) in 1485.

BALDRY, THOMAS, the younger (1470-1524/5) ; of Ipswich. M.P. Ipswich 1504, 1512-4, 1515.

Yr. s. of Thomas Baldry of Ipswich M.P. (1440-1500), and yr. bro. of Sir Thomas Baldry, senr., who was Mayor of London, 1524.⁸

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 56/15.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 9/58.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1450), 347.

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. 318.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1465), 451.

⁶ Touching a debt of 40s. owing to John Kyngeston, prior of Merton, Surrey (*ibid.* (1479), 148).

⁷ Bacon, *Ipswich* 149.

⁸ Davy MSS., Brit. Mus., Addl. MSS. 19116, fo. 187.

Bailiff of Ipswich 1502-3, 1507-8, 1513-4, 1518-9, 1522-3; on gaol delivery comms. 1497, 1504 (? his father or brother); subsidy comnr. 1504, 1523; apptd. weigher in Ipswich, 14 Feb. 1510.¹

D. 1523/5; Will, dat. 18 July 1520, pr. 27 May 1525.²

BALDRY, WILLIAM (1420-81/4); of Ipswich, merchant, and of London, draper; searcher in port of London, 1463-79. M.P. Ipswich 1460-1, 1461-2.

Part owner of a ship trading to the Baltic, 1450; elector, Ipswich, 1453; bailiff, 1455-6; other town offices 1455-61; pardoned, 20 Jan. 1458 as "of Ipswich, merchant" (m.1). In 1461 he was on a Suff. shipping comn. and apptd. to victual the King's ships; clerk of the King's ship *Margaret* of Ipswich, Oct. 1461.³ Apptd. tronier and peseur at Ipswich, May 1462—renewed July 1463. He was to seize ships for service against the Scots in Aug. 1463. By Apr. 1463⁴ he was searcher in the port of London; and £40 was paid to him, as searcher, for seizing 130 lbs. of coined money belonging to Louis XI, ready to be carried overseas, 1464.⁵ By 1469 he was bailiff of Billingsgate.⁶ He sat on an Admiralty case as a mercht. of London in 1470, and in 1472 he was granted, as searcher, one half of the goods he forfeited. On 4 Nov. 1479 he was pardoned "of London, merchant, searcher in the port of London" for trading while a searcher. But on 7 Nov. 1479 William Merston (*q.v.*) replaced him as searcher. One of those to assess the benevolence in Feb. 1481.⁷

By 1484 he was dead for "Jane late wife and exix. of William Baldry, late scrutineer for Edward IV in the port of London, *alias* late wife of William Baldry, late draper of London, *alias* late of Ipswich, merchant" was pardoned (m.24). But for this pardon it would have been impossible to have identified the Ipswich M.P. with the searcher of London and bailiff of Billingsgate. He was father of Thomas M.P. and grandfather of Sir Thomas, Mayor of London.

BALDWIN, JOHN (1420-69); of Gray's Inn and Aylesbury, Bucks.; serjt.-at-law. M.P. Midhurst 1453-4.

Presumably s. of John Baldwin (*d. c.* 1458);⁸ *m.* Edith, who survived him.

Appears as a feoffee of Stoke Mandeville, Bucks., 7 Feb. 1450;⁹ elector, Bucks., 1450; licensed to found a guild at Aylesbury, 12 Dec. 1450;¹⁰ J.P. Bucks., of the quorum, 30 June 1454 to 29 July 1459; eschr., N'hants. and Rutland, 1454-5;¹¹

¹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 381.

² To be bur. in St. Mary's, Ipswich, beside Alice his first w. To w. Christine 100 marks in cash and 100 marks in plate and 100 marks of good debts, and £40 a year for life with reversion to my nephew Thomas, s. to my bro. Thomas of London. To Christine the place called Dryys where we lived. Exors. :—bro. Thomas Baldry, w. Christine, James Hill, Thomas Mansar. (P.C.C., 36 Bodfeld.)

³ Issue Roll, 1 Edw. IV. No. 824.

⁵ Scofield, *Edw. IV*. i. 363.

⁷ *Letter Book L*. p. 176.

⁴ Issue Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

⁶ *Letter Book L*. p. 87.

⁸ John Baldwin, senr., was sworn to the peace in Bucks., 1 May 1434, and appears as a feoffee of Chalfont St. Giles, Bucks., 3 Dec. 1445; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1434), 397; (1445), 392. He was living 17 Dec. 1457.

⁹ The feoffees included (Sir) Ralph Verney (*q.v.*), his bro. Wm. Baldwin, and Thomas Baldwin—presumably a relative; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1450), 311.

¹⁰ It was called the guild of the Virgin Mary. The licencees included the Archbp. of York, John Baldwin "the elder" and Thomas Baldwin; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1450), 412.

¹¹ P.R.O. List of Escheators, where he is called "the yr."

comnr. Bucks, 17 Dec. 1457; J.P. Oxford town, 24 Nov. 1459 to 20 July 1461; elected serjt.-at-law, 26 Sept. 1463;¹ comnr., London, 8 July and 29 Oct. 1466.
D. 1469; will dat. 2 June, pr. 21 July 1469.²

BALE, JOHN (1410-75); ? of London and Bury St. Edmunds, tailor;³ ? serjeant of the Catery before 1454.⁴ M.P. Launceston 1445-6.

Licensed (with John Stevens) to fit out and arm *Le Cristope* of London, a ship of 280 tons, Feb. 1436; on a Guildhall jury with the mayor of London, Dec. 1441;⁵ comnr. to enquire into uncoketted merchandise, 1449; on 10 July 1452 the keeping of a messuage in the parish of St. Stephen, Coleman Street, was granted to him on the mainprize of John Rokle of Southwark, yeoman, and Thomas Chamber of the same, yeoman;⁶ ordered to Picardy but Letters of Protection were revoked, 1452; again revoked, June 1454, because he tarried at Shoreditch instead of going with Sir Thomas Finderne (*q.v.*), lieut. of Guisnes, for the safe keeping and victualling of Guisnes. This identification is further discredited by the discovery of a Cornish John Bale in 1470.⁷

BALFRONT (BLAINFRONT), HUGH (1440-1500); of Scunthorpe, Lincs., gent. M.P. Grimsby 1483 Jan., 1484, 1491-2.

Perhaps s. of Thomas "Blawefront" of York, gent.⁸ Hugh was pardoned "of Scothorp, gent.", 6 Jan. 1472, and as administrator of goods of Richard Haunsard, late escheator in Lincs., 1 Oct. 1473 (m.9); made collector of customs in Boston, to act in person, 19 Sept. 1485.

BALMAN, JOHN. M.P. Chichester 1447, 1449 (1). Undiscovered, but probably of Chichester.

BALSHAM, WILLIAM (1390-1444); of Ilchester, Som.; customer of Poole, 1433-44. M.P. Melcombe Regis 1422, 1429-30; Lyme Regis 1431; Melcombe Regis 1432, 1435, 1437, 1442.

M. Alice, by whom he had issue.

Appears (with his wife) as plaintiff in three suits concerning land in or nr. Ilchester, 1405/24;⁹ apptd. customer of Poole, 18 Nov. 1433, which appointment was renewed 31 July 1441.¹⁰

D. 1444; will pr. 1444.¹¹

¹ *Letter Bk. L.* 36.

² P.C.C., 27 Godyn. To be bur. in the Friars Minors, London; bro. Wm. to have his lands in Bucks, paying w. Edith 20 marks yearly; exors. :—Edith and William; witnesses, Master Doctor John Aleyn (*q.v.*) and Christopher Haryngton.

³ *Cal. Pat. Roll*; Pardon Roll, 3 Jan. 1458. He is described in July 1445 as a citizen and merchant, *alias* tailor of London.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Roll*; Pardon Roll, 1455 (m.26).

⁵ *Letter Book K.*, 262.

⁶ Fine Roll, 30 Hen. VI. (m.5).

⁷ In that year he sued Thomas Tregodek for lands in Tresmargh, Cornwall, late of Margaret Tregodek.

⁸ Pardon Roll, 1458 (m.28).

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.*, 4/170, 5/83, 5/159.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1433) 323; (1441) 476.

¹¹ P.C.C., 29 Luffenham. Mentions w. Alice and s. William.

BAMME, JOHN (1425-88) ; of Dartford and Gillingham, Kent, gent. Steward of Middleton and Marden 1461-85. M.P. Rochester 1467-8 ; Helston 1478.

S. and h. of Richard Bamme of Dartford (*d.* 1452) (which Richard was s. of Adam Bamme, mayor of London 1391) by Jane (Martin) (*d.* 1431) ;¹ *m.* Elizabeth da. of Edmund Chertsey, M.P., of whose will John Bamme was exor. in 1474.

As s. and h. of Richard Bamme of Dartford he demised land in Dartford and Sutton to Mr. Richard Lindsay in Nov. 1452.² Elector, Kent, 1453 ; pardoned, 5 Mar. 1456, " of Gillingham, Kent, esq., *alias* of Dartford, *alias* Bawme, late of London, gent." (m.9). In July 1461 he was made steward of the royal manors of Middleton and Marden, Surrey—in respect of which he was exempted from resumption in 1464 and 1467 ; licensed to enter on Moulsoe, Bucks., which had been granted to Richard and Jane his parents by Thomas Wake, deceased, 1462 ; pardoned, 11 May 1469, of Gillingham, late of London (m.8). He was on most Kent comms. 1461 to Jan. 1488 ; J.P. Kent, 21 Dec. 1470 to 27 June 1471, during the Readeption ; sheriff, Kent, 1483-4.

D. 1 May 1488 ; when Edmund Bamme, age 21, was his s. and h.

BANASTER, RALPH (1430-92) ; of Lavington, Wilts. ; keeper of Devizes park 1461. King's Servant. M.P. Wootton Bassett 1467-8 ; Devizes 1478.

He was perhaps the Groom of the Lardery 1454. From 6 Mar. 1461 he was keeper of " Vise " park, Wilts., and called " King's servant." ³ Eschr. Hants and Wilts., 1471-2. In Nov. 1473 Ralph Banaster of Devizes, gent., late eschr. of Hants and Wilts., was pardoned all arrears.

D. 15 Aug. 1492 ; when Jane, aged 19, wife of Thomas Dawntsey was da. and h. ; lands—Wilts. (which he held in right of his wife Jane da. and h. of John Coumbe of Tidworth, Wilts.). Will, dat. 5 Aug., pr. 4 Sept. 1492.⁴

He must not be confused with Ralph Banaster of Lacon Hall, Salop, who betrayed the Duke of Buckingham in 1483.

BANASTER, RICHARD (1400-65) ; of Shrewsbury, esq. ; Talbot's feoffee. M.P. SALOP 1449 (1).

S. and h. of Thomas Banaster of Hadnall, by Elizabeth, da. of Sir Robert Corbet,⁵ and had s. Richard.⁶

He was at Dover with troops for France, 1425 ;⁷ sworn to the peace in Salop, 1434. In May 1437 one Walkstede owed £40 to Thomas Banaster, clerk, Richard Banaster esq., and William Lee of London. On 3 Apr. 1449, while M.P., he with three others was enfeoffed of Bampton, Oxon., by John Talbot, earl of Shrewsbury.

¹ Hasted, *Kent*, iv. 238.

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 312.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1461) 64.

⁴ Ralph Banaster of Lavington, Wilts. To be bur. there. Bequests to " son " Thomas Dawntesey and to William, John, Ambrose and Jane Dawntesey. Residue to w. Margaret and she and Thomas Dawntesey exors. (P.C.C., 13 Dogett.)

⁵ *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman. Thomas Banaster was a Salop elector 1447, 1449 (1). A Wm. Banaster was M.P. Salop 1344-66.

⁶ Pardon Roll, 9 Dec. 1485—Richard Banaster, late of Shrewsbury, *alias* late of Wemme, *alias* gent., *alias* late of Westminster (m.2).

⁷ *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

He was probably still alive in 1464 when the Act of Resumption of that year was not to apply to Richard Banaster "for £4 granted him by Our Letters Patent." Absence from the Act of Resumption in 1467 may indicate his death.

BANK, JOHN. M.P. Calne 1467-8.

John Bank, steward of Gray's Inn, was dead in 1457.¹ Perhaps he was father to the M.P. In 1460 John Bassett of Sandon, Essex, owed £8 to John Bank and £40 to Thomas, lord Grey of Rougemont. In 1466 John Bank esq. was a juror in Yorkshire.² It would at least appear that this M.P. was a carpet-bagger.

BARBOUR, HUMPHREY (1450-1528/30); of Flashbrook, Staffs. M.P. Stafford boro' 1495.

Eldest s. of John Barbour M.P. (1420-70) by Jane da. and h. of Richard Jordan of Flashbrook.³

He too, like his father, was probably a follower of the Stafford House and from Duke Humphrey he took his name. In 1472/3 Robert, 2nd s. of John Barbour of Stafford sued Thomas Hexstall (*q.v.*) and Humphrey Barbour, eld. s. of John Barbour for the manor of Haseley by Berkeswich, Staffs.⁴ Humphrey was alive at Flashbrook as late as 1528 and left a s. and h. Robert who died 1530.⁵

BARBOUR, JOHN (1420-70); of Stafford,⁶ servant of Duke of Buckingham. King's Messenger. M.P. Stafford boro' 1450-1, 1453-4, 1455-6. Lancastrian.

Perhaps s. of William Barbour, M.P. (1400-60); *m.* Jane da. and h. of Richard Jordan of Flashbrook, by whom he had Humphrey (named after the Duke) (*q.v.*) and Robert.

Eschr. Staffs., 1446-7; frequently employed as a King's messenger from July 1447 to July 1456.⁷ He probably fought under Kyriell in France and was taken at Formigny, 1450, for he sued Richard Sperhawke of Pershore, Worcs., for ransom paid by Barbour, they having been in company of Sir Thomas Kyriell (*q.v.*) and taken prisoners to St. Lo, 1450/3.⁸ He was sent to London from the Reading Parliament in Mar. 1453 and was paid his expenses.⁹ On Hants. comms. Apr. 1454; elector for county and boro' of Stafford, 1455, when elected for the boro'.

Dead in 1473.¹⁰

BARBOUR, WILLIAM (1400-60); of Stafford, servant of the Duke of Buckingham. M.P. Arundel, 1427-8, 1429-30; Stafford boro' 1433, 1453-4, 1455-6.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Barbour (M.P. Stafford 1402-13, servant of the Earls of Stafford); of the family of Barbour of Stafford Forebridge, which produced these four M.P.s, also Henry, clerk of the peace in 1458, and William, clerk of the counting-house to Anne, duchess of Buckingham in 1480.

An exor. of Roger Rye of Kent, 1420/32.¹¹

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/501.

³ *Staffs. Colls.* vii. N.S. 269.

⁵ *Staffs. Colls.* xi, 269; & 1914, p. 75.

⁶ Described as of Alresford, Hants, in 1450/3 (*Early Chan. Proc.* see n.18).

⁷ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

⁹ Issue Roll, Hen. VI. No. 791. ⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 19/24.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 47/128. ¹¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 7/58.

BARENTYNE (BARANTYNE), DREWE (1405-53); of Chalgrove and Haseley, lawyer. M.P. OXFORDSHIRE 1445-6.

S. and h. of Reynold Barentyne of the same (*d.* 1415), by Jane da. of John James of Wallingford. He is mentioned in the will of his great-uncle, Drewe Barentyne, the Lord Mayor (*d.* 1407). *M.* (1) Jane (*d.* 1436) da. and coh. of Sir John Drayton (*d.* 1417) of Churchill and Nuneham Courtney; by her he had John Barentyne, M.P. (1436-74);¹ (2) Beatrice (*d.* 1446), illeg. da. of William de la Pole, earl of Suffolk; and (3) Jane da. of John Throckmorton of Fladbury, Worcs., M.P., widow of Robert Giffard. She re-married Sir John Marny, of Layer-Marny, Essex. Her son, Thomas Barentyne, was aged 30 in 1479.

Sworn to the peace in Oxon., 1434; J.P. Oxon. 7 Dec. 1435 till death. J.P. Berks., of the quorum, 24 June 1449 to 22 Mar. 1452; on Oxfordshire comns. from 1436 to 1449, and frequently a feoffee in Oxon., Bucks., and London 1441 to 1446. In May 1444 the good men of Chislehampton were granted pontage for five years by the control of Drew Barentyne and Richard Quartermaine (*q.v.*). Barentyne was pardoned as "of Oxfordshire, esq.", in 1446 (*m.* 18); a feoffee for Miles Windsor esq., at Stanwell, Middlesex, in 1449. Barentyne and Quartermaine surveyed also the pontage of Hartford Bridge by Wheatley, Oxon., in Feb. 1461; and in Feb. 1452 Barentyne and Wenlock were specially pardoned together at the instance of the Queen. After Jane (Drayton's) death the custody of the lands and heir of Drewe Barentyne was granted to Sir John Wenlock and Sir William Peyto, both of whom seem to have been special friends and colleagues of Barentyne, Mar. 1449.

Early in 1453 Drewe Barentyne of Little Haseley and Chalgrove, and his wife, Jane (Throckmorton), had an indult for a portable altar,² but on 23 Apr. 1453 he died.³ John Barentyne aged 16, was his s. and h. There is a memorial inscription to him at Chalgrove. Will, dat. 18 Apr., pr. at Thame, 24 Sept. 1453. To w, Jane 100 marks; the like to Thomas, Drew and Alice my children by her. Mentions das. Katherine w. of Wm. Fetiplace, Agnes w. of Walt. Barow, Jane w. of Robt. Kentwode, Margt. w. of John Cotysmore. Exors.:—Ric. Quatermayn (*q.v.*) esq., Edm. Brutnell sen., John Thamyse S.T.B., Wm. Bosingho. Supervisors, John, bp. of Lincoln, Wm., lord Lovell and Holand (*Early Lincoln Wills*, 179).

BARENTYNE, JOHN (1436-74); of Haseley and Chalgrove, Oxon. M.P. OXFORDSHIRE 1467-8 (perhaps 1470-1).

S. and h. of Drew Barentyne of the same M.P. (1405-53) by Jane (Drayton);⁴ m. Elizabeth⁵ da. and coh. of Sir Stephen Popham of Popham and West Dene.⁶

¹ *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. 31.

² *Cal. Papal Reg.*

³ Writ *diem clausit* issued 4 May 1453 (Fine Roll, 31 Hen. VI. (*m.* 32)).

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 39/246; *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. 31.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 52/3. In 1475/80 she was suing John Smith and others for riotously carrying her off from the house of the Friars Preachers within Ludgate, by boat on the Thames.

⁶ *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. 31; xx. 157.

He was pardoned, 6 Jan. 1458 "esq. late of Chalgrove, Oxon." (m.34); sheriff, Oxon., and Berks., 1464-5; J.P. Oxon. 14 Nov. 1468 to 12 July 1470; on Oxon. comns. in Oct. 1470 under the Readeption government; for which he was pardoned 10 Feb. 1472, as "of Haseley, esq., late sheriff, *alias* late of London, esq., *alias* late of Chalgrove, esq." He may have been M.P. in 1470-1.

D. 30 June 1474; when John, aged 14, was s. and h. Lands—Kempston, Beds., Chalgrove, Haseley, etc., Oxon., Burghill and Aston, Berks., etc.¹ Will, dat. 28 June 1474, pr. 8 Apr. 1477.²

BARET see BARRETT.

BARLEY, HENRY (1421-76); of Albury and Furneaux Pelham, Herts., esq., probably a lawyer.³ M.P. HERTS. 1449-50.

S. of John Barley (d. 1445; M.P. Herts. 1420-9) of Albury, by Katherine (b. 1400), sis. and coh. of John Walden of Elsenham, Essex, esq.;⁴ m. (1) Katherine (d. 1464), da. of Sir John Cheyne (q.v.) or Laurence Cheyne (q.v.),⁵ by whom he had William (b. 1451), and other children, (2) Anne, widow of Sir John Colville.

Lord of the manor of Thurrocks in Clavering, Essex, in right of his mother, 1446;⁶ elector, Herts., 1449 (1), 1450, 1455; comnr. Herts., 1451-73 (including Lancastrian comn. of array, 21 Dec. 1459); J.P. Herts., 1 Dec. 1455 to 14 June 1461, 3 Oct. 1464 to 4 Dec. 1470, and 10 July 1471 till death; to apportion the subsidy in Herts., 1463;⁷ sheriff, Essex and Herts., 1466-7.

D. 4 Jan. 1476;⁸ buried at Furneux Pelham.⁹

BARLEY (BARLY), WILLIAM (1420-75); of Norwich, mercer. M.P. Norwich 1453-4.

Sheriff, Norwich, 1451;¹⁰ probably apptd. tronier and peseur in Boston, Lincs., 30 Oct. 1456;¹¹ comnr. to repair walls, etc., of Norwich, 10 July 1458;¹² granted letters of protection for accompanying the Duke of Clarence to Ireland, 12 July 1471, which protection was revoked because he tarried in Mdsx., 16 July 1471.¹³

¹ *Stonor Letters*, II. 128-9.

² To be buried in Chalgrove Church. Bequests to John Baratyne yr., his son, if guided in marriage by his wife Elizabeth; same to da. Anne; Lands to Elizabeth, with reversion to his son John the elder. Residue to wife Elizabeth, and she exix. with Thomas Hampden of Hampden. (P.C.C., 34 Wattys.)

³ Described as justice when apptd. to deliver Hertford gaol, 24 Apr. 1451 (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1451), 434).

⁴ Davy, B.M. Add. MSS., 19, 116.

⁵ Sir John in *Visit. Cambs.*, 119—Laurence in Davy in *loc. cit.*

⁶ The name is now Barlee and the family still survives in Herts. For further details see Series V., vol. III of *Misc. Gen. et Her.*, p. 67, and vol. VII, p. 195, for errata by J. Renton Dunlop. (*Ex inf.* Mr. Ledgard.)

⁷ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV. (m.19).

⁸ Inq. p.m., 15 Ed. IV, No. 37.

⁹ Davy, *Add. MS. ut supra.*

¹⁰ *alias* Oldebarley; *Lestrangle, Norf. Off. Lists*, 102. ¹¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1456), 329.

¹² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1458), 441; the comnrs., ten in number, included five other (Norwich) M.P.s, viz., Robert Toppe, Gregory Draper, John Drolle, John Chittok, and Edward Coteler (q.v.).

¹³ *alias* Elbarly; for the defence and victualling of Ireland; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 272, 274.

BARLEY (BARLAY), WILLIAM (1410-1470); of York, mercer. M.P. York city 1461-2.

Admitted freeman 1432; chamberlain of York 1448; sheriff 1450-1; elector 1449 (1), 1453, 1459; M.P. 1461—wages being paid for two ridings, the last being 45 days going, staying and returning.¹ At the time of his death he was keeper of York castle.² He married Alice. Will, dat. 26 Aug. 1467, pr. 7 Oct. 1473.³

BARLOW (BARLEY), ROBERT (1410-67), of Barlow, esq., squire to Humphrey, duke of Gloucester.⁴ M.P. DERBYSHIRE 1455-6, 1459.

S. and h. of Robert Barlow;⁵ *m.* Margaret da. of Sir Henry Delves of Dod-dington, Ches., by whom he had Robert, and Agnes who *m.* Thomas Cockayne of Ashbourne.⁶

Pardoned outlawry for not appearing before the justices, 21 June 1439; on 20 Feb. 1449 William Kirkeby of Notts., gent., and Robert Barley of London, gent., were mainpernors for Thomas Swan;⁷ J.P. Derbys., 28 May 1457 to 8 Dec. 1460; on Lancastrian comn. of array, 21 Dec. 1459.

D. 15 Aug. 1467; bur. in Barlow ch.—M.I.⁵ He is shown on his tomb with the Yorkist collar round his neck, and in spite of his removal from the bench in Dec. 1460 it is doubtful if Gloucester's squire was ever Lancastrian.

BARNEVILLE, WILLIAM. M.P. Chippenham 1472-5.

Perhaps second s. (*b. c.* 1445) of William Barneville of Henley-on-Thames, Oxon. (*d.* 1466),⁸ and related to Barnabas Barnwell, second Justice of King's Bench, Ireland, in 1488. Hence possibly a lawyer. But Barnevils (*alias* Bernevall) were at Clyffe Pypard (not far from Chippenham) *temp.* Hen. III.⁹

BARNHAM, WILLIAM (1445-1500); of Rye. M.P. Rye 1495.

Chamberlain of Rye 1479-80; jurat 1486 onwards; mayor 1491-2 (Rye, Chamberlain's Accts.).

BARON, EDWARD (1430-85), of Sutton, Wilts. M.P. Wootton Bassett 1478.

First mentioned 8 May 1469, when, as of Sutton, Wilts., gent., he was, with Adam Clerk of "Wyghton", Berks., a mainpernor for William Stele in the keeping of land in Westbury, Bucks.¹⁰ He appears as a feoffee of lord St. Amand in an Oxford settlement of 1476,¹¹ and died 1485. Will, dat. 27 Sept. 1485, pr. 19 Feb. 1486.¹²

¹ Davies, *York Records*.

² Scaife's, *York Lists M.S.*

³ *Reg. Test.* iv. fol. 189.

⁴ There is a letter from the Duke (while Captain of Calais, but written from London) to "our trusty and welbeloved squire Robert Barley," for the rescue of Calais from the duke of Burgundy. *Geneal. N.S.* vii. 5.

⁵ J. C. Cox, *Churches of Derbys.* i. 63, etc.

⁶ Glover, *Derbyshire*, ii. 33.

⁷ Fine Roll, 27 Hen. VI (m.17).

⁸ Will, dat. 2 Aug. 1466, pr. 9 Mar. 1467; mentions sons John, William, Luke, and da. Isabel. Exors. :—wife, Isolde, and John Wright (P.C.C., 17 Godyn).

⁹ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

¹⁰ Fine Roll, 9 Edw. (m.4).

¹¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 732.

¹² To be bur. in St. Leonards, Sutton, Wilts. To his da. for her marriage £40. To s. Nicholas lands at Ampney. Residue to w. Anne and she exix. (P.C.C., 15 Logge).

BARON, JOHN (1415-85); of Dorchester. M.P. Dorchester 1460-1.

S. of Walter Baron of Fordington, Dorset (*d.* 1440),¹ by Margaret.

In 1446 Nicholas Forster granted burgages in Pyselane, Dorchester, to John Baron and Alianor his wife and their heirs.² He was a juror in Dorchester, 1447, and a witness there in 1464. In Apr. 1485 John Baron granted to Robert Scotte and Jane his wife the burgage he and Alianore, then dead, had had of Nicholas Fowler (*sic*).³

And yet he cannot be the King's servant John Baron who was made bailiff of Fordington, 20 Nov. 1461, unless there is an error in the Patent Roll of 8 Feb. 1470, which grants Fordington to a yeoman of the Chamber, "void by the *death* of John Baron."⁴ He must not be confused with the contemporary member for Colchester.

BARON,⁴ JOHN (1420-75); of Colchester. M.P. Colchester 1459.

Pardoned 1452;⁵ elector, Colchester, 1459 (when elected); bailiff of Colchester 1460;⁶ carpenter in Colchester 1472.⁷

BARON, RICHARD (1415-75); of London. Usher of Parliament Chamber 1439-62. M.P. Bedwin 1453-4.

He was a feoffee in Herts. 1447/8,⁸ but may spring from Devon originally.⁹ From the Parliament 1439-40 to 1462 he was one of the two ushers of the Parliament Chamber and of the Great Councils, being paid for each meeting;¹⁰ he had livery of clothes accordingly, 34 and 37 Hen. VI. and 1 Edward IV.¹¹ But he was quite possibly "brewer *alias* gent. of London," 1460.¹² Apptd. gauger in the port of Sandwich, 27 Oct. 1470.¹³ William Baron, teller of the Exchequer, may be his brother—William Baron, M.P. Reading 1431, may be his father.

BARON, THOMAS (1420-70); of Bodnan, Cornw., controller of customs, Southampton, and servant of the Duke of Exeter.¹⁴ M.P. Helston 1453-4;¹⁵ Old Sarum 1459.¹⁶ Lancastrian.

Comnr., Cornw., 18 Aug. 1442;¹⁷ apptd. controller of customs, Southampton, 3 May 1460;¹⁸ general pardon, as "of Bodnan", 11 Oct. 1466;¹⁹ sued for lands

¹ Walter's will mentions his elder son John to whom he leaves tenements in East St., Dorchester; exors. :—Margaret his wife, John his son. (Mayo & Gould, *Records of Dorchester*, 287.)

² *ibid.* 305.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1470, p. 185.

⁴ Cf. Stephen Baron, M.P. Colchester, 1380; an Essex name.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 11 Nov. 1452 (m.14); described as "of Colchester, yeoman."

⁶ Rickword, *Lists of Mayors, etc., of Colchester*, 13.

⁷ *Colchester Red Paper Bk.*, 80.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 13/84.

⁹ *ibid.* 3/47.

¹⁰ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

¹¹ *Env. Accts.* 361/6.

¹² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1460), 629.

¹³ *ibid.* (1470), 230.

¹⁴ His colleague, John Archer (*q.v.*), was of the Duke's council.

¹⁵ An Admiralty comm., showing that he was already in Exeter's service. Exeter was Admiral of England.

¹⁶ Nominated by Exeter; *ibid.* (1460), 583.

¹⁷ In connection, no doubt, with the fortunes of Exeter, who was attainted in 1461; *ibid.* (1466), 537.

in Reading, Berks. (as a surviving feoffee of John Ede of Reading), 1460/5,¹ cf. William Baron, M.P. Reading 1431.

BARRE, Sir JOHN (1415-83); of Rotherwas and Barr's Court, Heref., and Knebworth, Herts.² M.P. HEREFORDSHIRE 1445-6, 1447; GLOUCESTER-SHIRE 1450-1; HEREFORDSHIRE 1459, (? 1470-1). Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir Thomas Barre the yr. (? M.P. Herefordshire, 1402; d. 1442) of Rotherwas, etc., by Alice;³ m. (1) Idoine da. and h. of John Hotoft, by whom he had Isabel (m. 1. Humphrey Stafford, earl of Devon, 2. Sir Thomas Bouchier),⁴ (2) Jane (d. 10 Aug. 1484), widow of Sir Robert Greyndore of Clearwell Court, Glos.⁵

Sworn to the peace in Herefordshire, 1 May 1434; knthd. 1441/2;⁶ J.P. Heref., 16 Feb. 1443 to 1461, 6 Dec. 1470 to 1471, and 5 Dec. 1473 till death; comnr. Herefordshire, Glos., Wales, etc., 1445-82 (including Lancastrian comn. of array, 21 Dec. 1459); steward of all the manors of the See of Hereford, 1445;⁷ J.P. Glos., 18 Feb. 1448 to 1461; elector, Heref., 1449 (1 and 2), 1453, and Glos., 1467 (always heading the list); sheriff, Herefordshire and Welsh Marches, 1454-5; a grant of a yearly rent of £20 from the Duke of York to him ratified by the Lancastrians, 13 Feb. 1460; also granted 20 marks a year out of one of Salisbury's forfeited manors for good service against him, York, and Warwick, 21 May 1460; his arrest ordered by Yorkists, 13 Aug. 1460;⁸ pardoned, 3 Sept. 1468, and again 27 Jan. and 24 Nov. 1472;⁹ lic. to found a chantry in Clehonger Church, Heref., 15 Feb. 1474.¹⁰

D. 14 Jan. 1483, when Isabel, wife of (Sir) Thomas Bouchier, was his da. and h.;¹¹ his second wife Jane surv. him till 1484;¹² lands—Glos., Heref., and Herts.

BARRETT (BARET), HENRY (1405-60); King's servant;¹³ constable of Carisbrooke Castle, I.O.W. M.P. Wareham 1447.

M. Anne.¹⁴

Constable of Carisbrooke castle and master forester of Parkhurst, I.O.W., jointly with William Ludlow (q.v.) and John Ludlow, 2 Mar. 1442; water-bailiff

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.*, 29/515.

² Pardon Roll, 20 Mar. 1458 (m.13).

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1474), 425.

⁴ *Comp. Peer.*, iv. 328; Devon was beheaded in 1469; Bouchier who was s. of Henry, earl of Essex, m. Isabel (as his first wife) c. 1472, and d. 1491. Isabel d. 1 Mar. 1489; M.I. in Ware Church, Herts.

⁵ Williams, *Heref. M.P.s.*

⁶ He appears as a knt., 18 Jan. 1443 (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1443, 146), but as esq., 15 May 1441 (*ibid.*, 1441, 508).

⁷ Williams, *loc. cit.*

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1460), 612; among those to be arrested with him was Thomas FitzHarry (q.v.).

⁹ Pardon Rolls, 3 Sept. 1468 (m.30) and (m.14); 27 Jan. and 24 Nov. 1471/2.

¹⁰ "For the good estate of himself, his wife Jane, and others, while living, and for their souls when dead"; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1474), 425.

¹¹ *Inq. p.m.* 22 Edw. IV, No. 38.

¹² *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, No. 7.

¹³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1442), 74.

¹⁴ He and Anne his w. were in remainder to the manor of "Burton Plecy", N'hants., the property of Robert Cammell and Margaret his w.; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1449), 278.

in Dartmouth, Devon, 15 May 1444; comnr., Dartmouth, 7 July 1446;¹ appears as having held the alien priory of St. Sever for seven years from Mich. 18 Hen. VI, 29 Nov. 1457.²

BARRETT, JOHN (1430-85); of Leominster, baker or yeoman. M.P. Leominster 1472-5.

Perhaps s. of Robert Barrett, M.P. Leominster 1447. Pardoned, 1458,³ of Leominster, baker *alias* yeoman.

BARRETT (BARET), ROBERT, of Leominster. M.P. Leominster 1447.

He was probably of Leominster, as *Richard* Barrett was bailiff there and *Thomas* Barrett an elector, 1478; also *John* Barrett was M.P. for Leominster in 1472. There was in 1456 a Robert Barrett at Boston, Lincs., stapler, but he can have no connection.⁴

BARRETT, WILLIAM; of Devizes.⁵ M.P. Ludgershall 1478.

On a Hampshire comn. 1459; but related doubtless to John Barret, constable of Salisbury 1471.

BARTELOT, THOMAS (1420-90); of Rusper, Sussex.⁶ M.P. Ludgershall 1447; Midhurst 1449 (1).

Perhaps s. of John Bartelot, M.P. Sussex 1435; *m.* ? the g. da. and h. of William Okehurst.⁷

A feoffee for land in Tonbridge, Kent, 1440/57;⁸ pardoned for the Cade rebellion 1450; a Sussex elector 1472; a feoffee at Thakeham, Sussex, 1479.⁹

D. 1490; will of Thomas Bartelot esq.; dat. 10 Aug., pr. 24 Oct. 1490.¹⁰

BARTILMOES, RICHARD, SENIOR (1450-1525); tile and "sclattstone" merchant of Salisbury. M.P. Salisbury 1497, 1512-4, 1515.

This is unsatisfactory. His son, Richard junior, died 1506 leaving a will which might be that of a man of 35—his father, Richard senior, appears therein

¹ "To arrest the ships and merchandise of Castile in England, until restitution has been made"; the reason being that a barge of Dartmouth had been captured by a ship of Bilbao called *Bark*, in the Bay of Biscay. The owners included Robert Stephens and John Skelton, and the comnrs. included Thomas Gille, William Stone, and Nicholas Stebbing—all Dartmouth M.P.s (*qq.v.*) (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1446), 465).

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1457), 417.

³ Pardon Roll, 1458 (m.15).

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* v. 296.

⁵ Barrett was a Devizes name. Nicholas Barrett was master of the Mercers' Co. there in 1623; and Wm. Barrett of London, s. of Wm. Barrett of Devizes at some unknown date founded a charity there. One or other of those Williams will be the member for Ludgershall (*Wilts. Arch. Mag.* iv. 162; xxxvi. 161).

⁶ Pardoned as of Rusper, gent., for Cade's rebellion.

⁷ Thomas Bartelot of Billingshurst, Sussex, *m.* a g. da. of William Okehurst who was at Agincourt (*Sussex Arch. Soc.* xv. 129).

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/585.

⁹ *Sussex Arch. Soc.* xl. 119-123.

¹⁰ To be bur. in ch. of Our Lady, Lambeth, where he is a parishioner. Residue to wife Katherine and she sole exix. Supervisor—Thos. Cappe, cit. and fishmonger of London (P.C.C., 13 Milles).

as living. His only son is John, his brothers John, William, Nicholas and Roger.¹ Unless the father continued to live until 1515 there is no Richard available as M.P. But the Richard who was M.P. was also collector of subsidy apptd. in Parlt. 1497, 1504 and 1523;² he was also Mayor of Salisbury 1487 and 1507.³ He was buying "scattstones" from St. Edmunds in 1495, selling 100 tiles of scattstone for 7*d.* in 1497/8.⁴ Thomas Bartilmoes, late of Shaftesbury, yeoman, who was rioting in 1458, may perhaps be the father of the octogenarian.

BARTLETT, REYNOLD (1410-65); of Devon, parker. M.P. Barnstaple 1442.

No mention of him locally, but Reynold Bartlett of Devon, parker, heads the pardon roll of 1453 (m.34).

BARTON, THOMAS (1415-65); ? from Holderness. Yeoman of the Crown and Chamber 1444-61; Keeper of Sheen 1452-61; Customer of Sandwich 1446-61. M.P. Lyme 1450-1; Bletchingley 1453-4, 1459. Lancastrian.

He was already King's serjeant and Groom of the Chamber when made keeper of Bourne park, Lincs., during Somerset's minority in June 1444, and receiver of Kendal in July 1444. The Kendal receivership was given up in Feb. 1446 in exchange for a pension of 20 marks a year to himself and Agnes Ingram jointly. In Dec. 1446 Barton, then Yeoman of the Chamber, was made controller of customs in Sandwich, and he had a grant of land in Lye, Essex, the following year. Parliament exempted him from Resumption in 1449-50 in respect of his office as Yeoman of the Crown, but presumably he retained the Sandwich customs office also. He was pardoned, 15 Nov. 1452, as "Yeoman of the Crown, *alias* controller of Sandwich" (m.9). In June 1452 he and John Bury, serjeant-at-arms, were made joint keepers of Sheen and of the wardrobe there. He was exempted in respect of this also in 1455/6, being then described as "Serjeant of the Pantry" and "Yeoman of the Crown".⁵ The sole keepership of Sheen was granted to him in Apr. 1456, maybe before the exemption was made by the Parliament. In June 1457 the King's Squire, Thomas Barton, serjeant of the pantry, was made gardener of Sheen. He was pardoned again, 25 Jan. 1458, as "serjeant of the pantry, *alias* of London esq., *alias* yeoman of the crown, *alias* controller of Sandwich, *alias* late receiver of the lordship of Kendal" (m.31); sat in the Coventry Parliament, but on none of the Lancastrian comns., and it must be a different Thomas Barton who was made controller of Petty Customs in the port of London in Apr. 1461. The servant of Henry VI was again pardoned, 3 July 1462, as "of London esq." and then follow all his offices, all called "late" in this case clearly meaning that he held them no longer (m.18).

Soon after he must have died. He may be the Thomas Barton of Helmsley, Yorks., who was attainted in 1461; but was probably not the Thomas Barton of Weobley who was recently dead in 1468. His seats at Bletchingley must have been provided for him by the Duke of Buckingham, who held land in Holderness.

¹ P.C.C., 8 Adeane.

² Rot. Parl. vi. 518, 535; L. & P. Hen. VIII, i. 3382 (1361).

³ Benson & Hatcher, *Old and New Sarum*.

⁴ Ex inf. G. M. Young of Oare.

⁵ Rot. Parl. v. 313.

BARTON, THOMAS (1405-61); ald. of York, grocer. M.P. York city 1449-50.

S. of William Barton of York, tanner; *m.* Matilda (Percy?) by whom he had Catherine, who *m.* Allan Wilberfoss of York, gent.

Chamberlain of York 1439; sheriff 1442-3; beneficiary under the will of Henry Markett of York, merchant, 1443;¹ elector, York city, 1447, 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1453 (alderman), 1459; mayor 1450; ordered to stay with Sir Henry Percy at Berwick for the victualling thereof, 1448 (spring), but letters of protection revoked because he tarried in York, 4 May 1448; on a York comn., 23 July 1448.²

D. 1461; Will, dat. 20 Jan., pr. York, 7 Sept. 1461;³ bur. in St. Michael's at Ouse Bridge, York.

BASELY (BASELE), ROBERT (1430-85); of Winchelsea, husbandman, or esq. M.P. Winchelsea 1472-5.

In 1454 Robert Basely of Winchelsea, husbandman, was pardoned outlawry. In Apr. 1460 he was mayor of Winchelsea, and with bailiff Coppledyke was comsmd. to resist the Yorkists. Still mayor, 1 July 1461; pardoned "late customer or collector in Chichester, late mayor of Winchelsea, *alias* of Winchelsea, esq.", 1 May 1462 (m. 26); arrested and brought before the Council, 20 Oct. 1474—while he was still M.P. He had been carrying off the goods of Jane, wife of John Inglefield,⁴ and was sued by her;⁵ a witness at Winchelsea, 10 Oct. 1477;⁶ a feoffee for uses in Acton, Mdsx., called yeoman in 1480/3, but we must suppose this to be a son—an M.P. cannot run from husbandman to esquire and back to yeoman!

BASING (BASYNNG), EDWARD (1420-90); of Brinkworth, Wilts., and Cloford, Som., esq.;⁷ clerk of the works at Clarendon, Wilts. M.P. Calne, 1449 (1); Heytesbury 1449-50.

Possibly bro. of William Basing (*q.v.*); *m.* (1) Ellen, da. of John Flory of Cloford (by whom he had issue),⁸ (2) Alice.⁹

Granted office of clerk of the works at Clarendon park, Wilts., 4 Dec. 1451;¹⁰ enfeoffed (with Ellen his wife) of lands in Chalfield, Wilts., by Sir Edmund Hungerford (*q.v.*) and ōrs., 1453;¹¹ a feoffee of "Codecombe Mohun", Som., 20 Nov. 1468;¹² the keeping of Corsham and the manor of Stratton St. Margaret, Wilts., granted to him and Edward Hungerford (*q.v.*), 1470/1.¹³

D. 21 June 1490; William, aged 25, was his s. and h.¹⁴

¹ *Test. Ebor.*, ii. 88.

² Concerning the conduct of John Morton (*q.v.*). ³ *York Wills*, 2. 451.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1475), p. 524.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 60/37.

⁶ *Catalogue of Battle Abbey Deeds*, Thorpe.

⁷ First mentioned 21 Nov. 1446 as a mainpernor, being described as of "Brynkwod (*i.e.*, Brinkworth), Wilts., gent." (Fine Roll, 25 Hen. VI).

⁸ *Tropenell Cart.*, i. 376. ⁹ *Inq. p.m.* and will.

¹⁰ Richard Hayne (*q.v.*) was his predecessor; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1451), 505.

¹¹ *Tropenell Cart.*, *loc. cit.*

¹² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1468), 115. The feoffees re-granted it, 12 Feb. 1481; *ibid.* (1481), 234; *cf. ibid.* (1482), 253. ¹³ Fine Roll, 49 Hen. VI (m.3).

¹⁴ *Cal. Inq. p.m.*, 5 Hen. VII, No. 717, p. 300; lands—Som.; will (as of Cloford in Cannington, Som.), dat. 1490, pr. 1491, mentions wife Alice and s. William.

BASING, WILLIAM; of Wilts.

M.P. Chippenham 1450-1.

Possibly a bro. of Edward Basing M.P., whose s. (*b.* 1465) was also called William.¹

BASKERVILLE, Sir JAMES (1429-99); of Eardisley, Herts. M.P. HEREFORDSHIRE 1478, (? 1483 Jan.). Yorkist.

S. and h. of Sir John Baskerville of Combe (*d.* Dec. 1455), by Elizabeth da. of John Touchett, lord Audley; *m.* Katherine da. of Sir Walter Devereux, M.P.²

Pardoned, 1 May 1458;³ but one of the Yorkists denounced by the Coventry Parlt.;⁴ on comn. to arrest Barre and FitzHarry the late M.P.s, 13 Aug. 1460, and on all comns. thereafter. Sheriff, Heref., 11 Aug. 1460 to 15 July 1461; J.P. Heref., 17 July 1461 to Dec. 1470, 24 Feb. 1473 till death. Pardoned, May 1462, "of Eardesley and of Staundon"; kntd. at the Queen's coronation 1465; J.P. Norf., 1 Apr. 1465-6; sheriff again 1464-5, 1468-9, 1473-4, 1480-1. In Nov. 1465, as King's servitor, he was granted Tenbury, Worcs., forfeited by Lord Clifford, which grant was exempted in 1467 and 1473.⁵ Elector, Heref., 1467, 1472. He took no part during the Readeption, but was pardoned by that government—"of Yerdisley and of Staunton"; on the Yorkist comn. of 26 Apr. 1471, and again pardoned 7 July 1472. In 1476 he was sued by his London tailor for £2 2s. 10d., and he was a feoffee for his cousin, Lord Ferrers, in 1481. Adhered to Richard III—on all his comns. in Herefs., and pardoned, 3 July 1484—"of Eardisley"—but hastened to support Henry Tudor and knighted, 28 Oct. 1485. Pardoned, 22 Feb. 1486.⁶ He continued on comns. of *oyer* and gaol delivery down to Sept. 1489; again sheriff 1489-90; and *d.* 28 Jan. 1499, when Walter Baskerville, aged 40, was his s. and h.

BASKET, JOHN (1400-52); esq., constable of Odiham castle, Hants, and King's servant. M.P. SURREY 1442, 1449 (1).

M. Alice, widow of Robert Turges (*q.v.*), who survived him.⁷

Comnr., Surrey, 1436, 1443, Berks., 1438, and Kent, 1451; eschr., Surrey and Sussex, 1436; grant to him by Queen Joan of the parkership of Odiham confirmed, 16 Feb. 1437;⁸ grant renewed by the King (on the death of Queen Joan), 11 July 1437, and again 31 Jan. 1438; granted lordship, manor, and hundred of Odiham, 4 May 1440; jointly (in survivorship) with John Beckett (*q.v.*), parker of Odiham, 2 Dec. 1441; sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1443-4, Wilts., 1444-5; jointly (in

¹ In 1474 William Basing, cousin (*i.e.*, g.s.) and h. of John Florye, late of Cloford, Som., gent., who had been attainted in 1464, petitioned for and obtained the reversal of the attainder. *Rot. Parl.* vi. 108.

² *Ancestry of John Whitney*, Hen. Melville, New York, 1896.

³ Pardon Roll (1458), "of Letton, late of Eardisley and of Weobley, esq." (m.12).

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* v. 368.

⁵ *ibid.* v. 584; vi. 80.

⁶ Pardon Roll (1486) "of Erdesley in the marches of Wales, late J.P. for Edw. IV and Ric. III" (m.5).

⁷ Pardon Roll, 4 Feb. 1462 (m.40).

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1437), 38. Queen Joan's letters patent were dat. 30 Oct. 1435 (13 Hen. VI).

survivorship) with John Beckett, constable of Odiham castle, 30 Sept. 1444; elector, Surrey, 1447; J.P. Surrey, 9 Aug. 1448 till death.

Dead in 1452.¹

BASSETT, ROBERT (1425-84); ald. of London, salter. M.P. London 1460-1.

M. 1483 Elizabeth widow of Richard Naylor (*d.* 1483).

In 1455 Robert Bassett, salter, and Andrew Kebelle (*q.v.*) enter into a bond.² In 1459 and again in 1461 Bassett was suing for debts; auditor 1460-1, 1465-6, 1470-2; alderman 9 Mar. 1461 till death; sheriff 1463-4; mayor of London 1475-6; pardoned 19 Feb. 1462 and 1468; on comns. in London and on Thames 1470-7. When the bastard of Faucomberg invaded the city, 1471, alderman Bassett with the men of Aldgate Ward drove him out "as far as St. Botolph's Aldgate, where he (Bassett) was reinforced by the Constable of the Tower, and they chased the rebels as far as Mile End and Stratford."³ He is last mentioned in the Letter Books, 13 Oct. 1483, when present at the election of Mayor.⁴

His widow *m.* John Stokker (*q.v.*), who *d.* 1485, and then George Neville, 4th lord Abergavenny, who *d.* 1492. She *d.* 1500.

BASSETT, THOMAS (1415-75); of Burgham, Surrey, esq.⁵ M.P. SURREY 1449-50, 1459, (? 1470-1). Lancastrian.

Elector, Surrey, 1447, 1449 (1), 1472; eschr., Surrey and Sussex, 1453-4; one of the twelve squires of the King's household, 13 Nov. 1454;⁶ comnr., Surrey, 1455, 1457 (twice), Oct. 1470; sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1457-8; pardoned, with other Lancastrian ex-officials, Feb. 1462; sheriff, Hants (did not account), 20 Dec. 1470 to 11 Apr. 1471; a manucaptor (with Thomas FitzHarry (*q.v.*)) for Jasper Tudor, earl of Pembroke, 1470-1.⁷ J.P. Surrey, 26 Feb. 1473 to 16 Oct. 1475.

BASTARD, WILLIAM (1400-56); ald. and town clerk of Shrewsbury. M.P. Shrewsbury 1435, 1442, 1447, 1449 (1), 1450-1.

S. of Peter Bastard, burgess of Shrewsbury in 1397; *m.* twice.⁸

Appears second on the list of Shrewsbury aldermen, first appointed in 1444;⁹ bailiff of Shrewsbury 1445, 1451; a member of drapers' gild;¹⁰ town clerk till 1456.¹¹

¹ John Greenfield (*q.v.*) was apptd. in his place, 7 Sept. 1452; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1452), 15. Beckett had been dead several years, and Thomas Haydock (*q.v.*) was apptd. Basket's colleague, but he too was dead by this date.

² *Letter Book K.* p. 367.

³ The MS. recording Bassett's adventures is preserved in the Public Library at Ghent (*Lond. & Mdsx. Arch. Soc., N.S.* 3 (1914-7), p. 50).

⁴ *Letter Book L.* p. 210.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 8 Feb. 1462 (m.42).

⁶ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 224.

⁷ Fine Roll, 49 Hen. VI (m.7).

⁸ He was bur. with his two wives in St. Julian's, Shrewsbury; Weyman, *Shrewsbury M.P.s*, 54.

⁹ *ibid.*; *Rot. Parl.* v. 121.

¹⁰ Weyman, *loc. cit.*

¹¹ *ibid.* As he was succ. in that year, he presumably was dead.

BATE, THOMAS (1400-59); of Pooley, lawyer.
1442, 1449 (1).

M.P. WARWICKSHIRE

J.P. Warw., of the quorum, 20 Nov. 1441 till death; pardoned with Isabel his w., late w. of John Cockayne knt., 1446; on all Warw. comns. 1448 to 1457, including gaol delivery. Probably a Lancastrian in politics, for Queen Margaret wrote urging Coventry to choose him as its recorder, 1445/50.¹ Subsidy comnr. for co. Warwick, 8 July 1450; was granted for life the wages due to the office of ranger of divers hays in Staffs., 1452; administrator of the will of William Sprior, fishmonger of Coventry, and he sued Alice Bradmedew for the goods of the said William, c. 1458.²

In July 1459 he was dead when a fresh grant of the office of ranger was made on the death of Thomas Bate. Will of Thomas Bate of Pooley, co. Warwick, esq., dat. 24 June, pr. 14 Oct. 1459.³

BATTEN (BATYN), ROBERT (1445-1504); ald. of Bath.
1472-5.

M.P. Bath

Perhaps s. of John Batyn, cloth-maker of Frome.⁴ He witnessed deeds as constable of Bath 1475, as mayor Nov. 1476, as alderman May 1488 and Apr. 1497. Again mayor in Apr. 1492.⁵ He was appointed collector of subsidy in Bath by the Parlt. of 1504,⁶ and d. 8 Mar. 1504, when Humphrey, aged 26, was his s. and heir. Lands held in chief, Devon.⁷

BATTISFORD, JOHN (1415-80); of Chesterton, esq.; coroner of Cambs.
M.P. Cambridge boro' 1442.

As coroner of Cambridge he heads the list of the county electors 1442, 1447, 1449 (1); without being coroner, he was an elector 1453, 1467, 1472, 1478 (senior).⁸

Evidently he held land in Chesterton, for Clare Hall granted land in Chesterton, "adjoining the meadow of John Battisford" in 1446. The Pardon Roll of 1452 describes him as late of Chesterton, Cambs. He was dead in 1496, when he is referred to as a deceased feoffee of Henry Chycheley's manor of Wimpole.

BATYN see BATTEN.

BAXTER, JOHN. M.P. Melcombe-Regis 1449 (1).

There was a John Baxter of Newcastle-on-Tyne, a customer there in 1454; and there was a John Baxter of Newton-Bushell who was sued for lands in Ilsington, Devon, in 1460/5. The former is most probable, for Melcombe-Regis returned as the Exchequer directed or thought fit. See Robert Baxter M.P.

¹ However, Henry Butler (*q.v.*) was recorder by 1455.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/176.

³ To be bur. in the ch. of St. Edith, Tamworth. Bequests to wife Isabel; to Master Walter Bate, his bro.; to John Cockayne, esq.; and to William Essex (*q.v.*). To Elizabeth and Beatrice, das. of his wife, and to Anastasis, da. of Elizabeth, also to Reynold and William Cockayne, sons of his wife. Exors. :—Walter Bate and William Essex (P.C.C., 17 Stockton).

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1468 (m.30).

⁵ *Ancient Deeds of Bath*, pp. 39, 66, 69, 106, 125, 126.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 536.

⁷ *Cal. Inq. Henry VII*, ii. No. 767.

⁸ He is of special interest as showing to what an extent the actual election of the Knights of the Shire was in the hands of minor officials of this sort.

BAXTER (BAXSTER),¹ ROBERT (1415-80); ald. of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, merchant.² M.P. Newcastle-upon-Tyne 1449-50.

Elector, Newcastle, 1447, 1450, 1459, 1467, 1478; alderman 1448 till death; sheriff 1448-9; mayor 1451-2; comnr., Newcastle, 1454, 1458; as exor. of John Baxter, late barker of Newcastle, he was sued by the masters of the craft of barking for carrying on the testator's business, 1475/85;³ a freeman of Drapers' Co.

BAYEN, THOMAS (1430-96); Clerk in Chancery, Under Clerk of Parlt., 1461-96. M.P. Poole 1455-6; Rye 1459; Poole 1460-1.

He lived at Rye originally, his house there is mentioned 1461;⁴ he was repeatedly paid for legal work done for the town,⁵ and they paid him a pension of 1 mark a year in London down to 1494.⁶ Apptd. Under Clerk of Parlt. by the election of the Commons, presumably in the previous Parlt., at a salary of 100s. yearly, 15 Sept. 1461.⁷ In that previous Parlt. he sat for Poole and was chosen by the members. One of those licensed to found a fraternity of St. Bride in Fleet St., London, 26 May 1475;⁸ one of those licensed to found a guild of Jesus in St. Mary's, Prittlewell, Essex, 7 May 1477.⁹ His office, together with that of John à Bury, serjt. at arms, was exempted from resumption in 1464, and Bayen's office again in 1467. In 1485 the exemption is for John Harper "oon of the King's sergeaunts at armes, chosen by the Comons of England to entend to the same Comons in tyme of every Parliament" and to "Thomas Bayen, the Under Clerk of the Parliament, afore this tyme in like wise chosen".¹⁰ The office of Under Clerk was renewed to him, 6 Mar. 1486, when he is still described as "one of the clerks of the Chancery";¹¹ his salary doubled (Easter) 1486, and he was certainly being paid down to 1496.¹²

The arresting features are (1) that here was one, sometime a clerk in Chancery, sitting in Parliament, and (2) this member of Parliament was elected by his colleagues as Under Clerk, and (3) the Under Clerk did not assist the Clerk of the Parliaments in the Lords, but served in the Commons, the lineal precursor of Erskine May and Courteney Ilbert. It is not clear whom he succeeded, if indeed he had an immediate predecessor.¹³

¹ Members of this family took a leading part in municipal affairs from the middle of the 15th to the end of the 16th cent.

² Pardon Roll, 8 Nov. 1446 (m.9).

³ *Early Chan. Proc.*, 66/403.

⁴ Rye, Chamberlain's Accts., i. f. 84d.

⁵ *ibid.* i. and ii. *passim* to 110d.

⁶ On 17th Mar. 1474 Bart. Bolney (*q.v.*), Thos. Bayan, Wm. Allard (*q.v.*) and others, quit-claimed to other feoffees, Hawkeham in Westham, Sussex. The deeds still carry seven seals (*Cat. of Battle Abbey deeds*, Thorpe, No. 1394).

⁷ He was then one of the Clerks of the Chancery. His predecessor was, presumably, John Dale; but as Dale was last heard of as Clerk in 1440, drawing 100s. a year and had then held the office 13 years, Bayen may have had no immediate predecessor.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1475), 553. Three M.P.s were among those licensed with him, *viz.*, (Sir) William Nottingham, Thomas Tremayle, and (Sir) William Hampton (*qq.v.*).

⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1477), 34. Three M.P.s were among those licensed with him, *viz.*, Sir Thomas Montgomery, Robert Plomer and John Broke (*qq.v.*).

¹⁰ *Rot. Parl.* v. 517a; v. 574b; vi. 339a.

¹¹ He was still a clerk of Chancery; Campbell, *Materials*, i. 351.

¹² 100s. was paid him twice a year. He probably remained Under Clerk till 1496; *ibid.*, ii. 558.

¹³ See Lists volume.

BAYNARD, PHILIP (1398-60); of Lackham, Wilts., probably King's servant.¹ M.P. Calne 1450-1.

S. and h. of Robert Baynard.²

Elector, Wilts., 1442; eschr., Hants and Wilts., 1443-4; sheriff, Wilts., 20 Dec. 1449 to 3 Dec. 1450, returning himself for Calne; accounts at the Treasury for expenses relating to deer 1450/1.³

BAYNARD, PHILIP (1471-1521); of Lackham, Wilts.³ M.P. Chippenham 1491.

S. and h. of Robert Baynard of Lackham M.P. (1440-1501) by Elizabeth (Ludlow), and grandson of Philip Baynard (*q.v.*); *m.* (1) Jane, da. of Nicholas Stewkeley of Ashton, Devon,⁴ by whom he had Robert, etc., (2) the widow Knoyle.

Comnr., Wilts., 1504, 1509, 1512 (all of gaol delivery); J.P., Wilts., 20 Feb. 1510 till death.

D. 27 or 28 May 1521.⁵ Will, dat. 23 Apr. 1521, pr. 21 May 1522.⁶

BAYNARD, ROBERT (1440-1501); of Lacock, Wilts., esq., lawyer. M.P. Calne 1459.

S. and h. of Philip Baynard M.P. (1398-1460); *m.* Elizabeth da. of Henry Ludlow of Hill Deverill, Wilts., by whom he had Philip (*q.v.*).

A feoffee of Aldermaston, Berks., 27 Feb. 1473;⁷ comnr., Wilts., 1473-84; J.P., Wilts., of the quorum, 23 Nov. 1478 till death; a feoffee of Thomas Tropenell (*q.v.*) in Chalfield, Wilts., 1479; sued for land in "Charlaweswyke", Wilts., 1480;⁸ appears as a feoffee in Calstone Wellington, Wilts., 14 Nov. 1498.⁹

D. 27 Aug. 1501.¹⁰ Will, dat. 24 Aug., pr. 1 Oct. 1501;¹¹ bur. in Lacock ch.—M.I.

¹ *Emr. Accts.* F. 29 Hen. VI. A.

² *Geneal. N.S.* xx. 98.

³ Pardon Roll, 16 May 1509 (*L. & P. Hen. VIII.* i. 438 (3)).

⁴ Kite, *Meml. Brasses of Wilts.*, 40.

⁵ *Inq. p.m.*, 13 Hen. VIII, Nos. 131, 143; Robert, s. and h., aged 25; lands—Som. and Wilts.

⁶ P.C.C., 3 Ayloff. To be bur. as nr. wife as he can be; to wife, two gilt goblets and land in Silchester; when Edward Knoyle is 14 he is to *m.* his da. Jane, but if he will not, his mother (Baynard's wife), to give £100 for Jane's marriage; £200 for marriage of eld. da. Elizabeth, by Jane his first wife; bequests to da. Anne and bro. Henry; to bro. Roger "my best colt that was broken last"; residue to s. Robert, the exor.

⁷ The other feoffees included Sir Maurice Berkeley, Sir William Norris, Richard Fowler, John Pury, (Sir) William Danvers, and Richard Kingsmill (*qq.v.*), besides the Bp. of Salisbury and John (Cardinal) Morton, etc. The grantors were the Archbp. of Canterbury and Thomas de la Mare (*q.v.*); *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1473), 374.

⁸ *Geneal. N.S.* xx. 39. In 1482, however, he was sued for the same lands; *ibid.*, xx. 97-8.

⁹ The manor was acquired without licence from William Temse (*q.v.*). With him were Philip Baynard (his s.), John Michell (*qq.v.*), etc. They were all pardoned; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1498), 165; (1499), 193.

¹⁰ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.* ii. No. 503; Philip s. and h., aged 30; lands—Hants, Silchester.

¹¹ P.C.C. (3 Blamyr). To be bur. at Lacock; 100 marks for marriage of da. Elizabeth; exix., wife; witnesses, Sir Walter Hungerford (*q.v.*) and Thomas Bulstrode, gent.

BAYNARD, THOMAS (1455-1515); of East Anglia, ? lawyer. M.P. Yarmouth 1491-2.

A feoffee of Buckenham, Norf., for Knyvet (*q.v.*) in 1481, with Henry Heydon and Richard Southwell, esqs.¹ On Suffolk comns. 1486-7, and on gaol deliveries at Yarmouth and Ipswich 1490-6. With Thomassine his wife he had sold land at Bradwell, Essex, to Sir John Shaa (*q.v.*) in 1500.² Money was owing by him to the Crown in 1512.³

BAYNHAM, WILLIAM (1460-1520); cadet of Micheldene, Glos., lawyer. M.P. Hindon 1491-2.

Younger s. of Thomas Baynham of Micheldene (*d.* 1500), by Margaret da. of Richard Hody, justice, and younger bro. of Sir Alexander Baynham; *m.* Eleanor da. of Richard Amerys.⁴

In 1486 John Peke, esq., and William Baynham, gent., were made stewards of Wykeham, Glos., and other Latimer lands. In 1488 he and William Skay, both gents., were conveying land in Billow, Glos., as feoffees.⁵ He was a trustee of a settlement made by his eld. bro. Sir Alexander in 1489. J.P., Glos., of the quorum, 27 Jan. 1486 to 19 Dec. 1500; on the Glos. subsidy comn., Jan. 1488; and on Gloucester gaol delivery comns. 1489-97. Sir Alexander, Christopher, and William Baynham were feoffees of Taynton, Glos., in 1493.⁶ He was trustee ("next friend") of one of the Greys of Powys in 1504.⁷ In 1513 he had to pay the owners of 14 Flemish hogs,⁸ and there he may be left with Don Quixote.

BAYNTON (BEYNTON),⁹ Sir JOHN (1400-65); of Falstone, Wilts. M.P. WILTSHIRE 1445-6, 1449 (1). Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir John Baynton of Falstone by Jane, da. of Sir Richard Dudley (and h. to her bro.); *m.* Katherine¹⁰ (who *rem.*, before 3 Nov. 1468, William Carent, *q.v.*), and had issue.

Kntd. before 1437;¹¹ sheriff, Wilts., 10 Feb. to 5 Nov. 1430, 1443-4; pardoned 1437; comnr., Wilts., 1443-61 (including the Lancastrian comn. of array, 21 Dec. 1459); elector, Wilts., 1447, 1450, 1459; J.P., Wilts., 16 Mar. 1453 to 18 Nov. 1458; comnr. to assist the Duke of York to put down the Devon riots, 5 Dec. 1455;¹² appears as a feoffee of Robert, (late) lord Hungerford, in Wilts., 13 Dec. 1464.

D. 20 June 1465; Robert, aged 26, was his s. and h.¹³

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 200.

³ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. p. 680.

⁵ *Cal. Inq. Henry VII*, ii. p. 14.

⁷ *ibid.* ii. p. 575.

⁹ Arms:—Sa., a bend lozengy ar.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1468), 118; but *cf.* Hoare, *Modern Wilts.*, ii., wherein it is stated that he *m.* Jane, da. of Sir William Echingham. Whether they are the same or two persons is difficult to say. Katherine was his wife in 1458.

¹¹ He appears as a knt. on the Pardon Roll, 19 June 1437 (*m.* 19), and therefore was a knt. when returned for Wilts. in 1445, although not so described. He was an esq. when sheriff in 1430.

¹² *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 270.

¹³ *Inq. p.m.*, 5 Edw. IV, No. 30; lands—Hants, Wilts., Som. and Dorset. Robert *m.* Elizabeth Hart, and was killed and attainted in 1471.

² *Cal. Inq. Henry VII*, ii. No. 679.

⁴ *Bristol & Glos. A.S.* vi. p. 184.

⁶ *ibid.* i. p. 539.

⁸ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 2479 (2).

BAYNTON, JOHN (1440-1500); of Wells, clerk.

M.P. Wells 1472-5.

Perhaps yr. s. of Sir John Baynton of Falstone-Cheyne, Wilts., M.P. (1400-65).

The pardon roll of Feb. 1486 includes—"John Baynton of Bristol, draper, *alias* late clerk of the customs in Bristol" (m.5); and in 1489 John Baynton was clerk and collector of rents in Wells. This latter must be the Wells M.P., and they were probably one man. But there is no other mention of him in the Wells city charters, and he was never made a freeman.

BEAUCHAMP, Hon. Sir RICHARD (1434-1503); of Bodington, Glos. (lord Beauchamp of Powick, Worcs., 1475). M.P. GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1472-5; sumnd. 1478, 1483, 1484, 1485-6, 1487, 1489-90, 1491-2, 1495, 1497.

S. and h. of John Beauchamp (*cr.* lord Beauchamp 12 May 1447), *d.* Apr. 1475, by Margaret sis. of Richard Ferrers. *M.* 27 Jan. 1447, at Beauchamp's Court in Alcester, Warw., Elizabeth da. of Sir Humphrey Stafford.¹

Jointly with his father he was C.J. of South Wales and constable of Glos. castle—exempted 1455.² Pardoned 12 Jan. 1458 and again 20 July 1468, when called "of Eastnor, Heref., *alias* of Bodyngton, Glos., esq., J.P." J.P., Glos., 8 Feb. 1468 to 10 Nov. 1475; 20 July 1483 till death; sheriff, Glos., 11 Apr. to 9 Nov. 1471. Kntd. at Tewkesbury, 4 May 1471, and was one of the ten who swore allegiance to the Prince of Wales. On Worcs. and Glos. comns. from 1468, but not under the Readeption govt. In July 1471 he was granted a pension of 40 marks a year, exempted in 1473; J.P., Worcs., 24 Feb. 1473 to 10 Nov. 1475. He succeeded to the peerage Apr. 1475.

D. 16 Jan. 1503 at Broomhill, when the barony became extinct. His das. and coh. *m.* Richard Rede, Richard Lygon, and Robert, lord Willoughby de Broke. Lands—Glos. and Lincs.³

BEAUCHAMP, Hon. Sir RICHARD (1454-1508); of Bromham, called lord St. Amand. M.P. WILTSHIRE 1491-2, and probably at other times.

Only s. of Sir William Beauchamp (lord St. Amand) M.P. (1410-57), by Elizabeth (Braybrook) (*d.* 1491, having rem. Sir Roger Tocotes, M.P.). Sir Richard succeeded his father in 1457, but was never sumnd. to Parlt.;⁴ *m.* Anne—who survived him.

Kntd. 18 Apr. 1475 as "of St. Amand". Exor., with Vaughan and Tocotes (*q.v.*), of the will of his uncle, Richard Beauchamp, bp. of Salisbury, 1482. J.P., Wilts., 27 Jan. 1480 to Dec. 1483, 11 Nov. 1485 till death. Richard III put him on the subsidy comn. for Wilts., 1 Aug. 1483, but he led the duke of

¹ *Comp. Peer.* ii. 47.

³ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 861.

² *Rot. Parl.* v. 310.

⁴ His father had been sumnd. as lord St. Amand, really *jure uxoris*; but Tocotes the next husband of the heiress was not so summoned, nor was her son. It was not till 1491 that the St. Amand heiress *d.* and Sir Richard became, according to modern ideas, eligible for a writ of summons to Parlt. in that barony. He may possibly have received such a writ in 1503, for writs of summons to that Parliament have been lost. Perhaps the writ involved expense which, being poor, he did not care to incur. In any case he acquiesced in his exclusion in 1491 by sitting for Wilts. in the Commons House, though generally styled lord St. Amand. See also *G.E.C., S-T*, p. 10.

Buckingham's rising in Berks., and was attainted as "Lord Seintmont" 1484.¹ Yet on 8 Mar. 1484 Charlton, Wilts., forfeited by Tocotes, who had also been attainted, was granted for life to Sir Richard Beauchamp, King's servant, and Anne his wife. Attainder reversed 1485.² He was put back upon the bench and made keeper of the forest of Blackmore, Wilts., 1486, and joined Tocotes (*q.v.*) in founding a chantry at Bromham for the soul of Elizabeth, his mother and Tocotes' wife, 1492. He took service with the Emperor Maximilian against the French 1493, and acted against the Cornish insurgents in 1497; was made steward of Marlborough 1504, and died without legitimate issue, June 1508. Will, "Lord Saintamand", dat. 12 June, pr. 8 July 1508.³

He must be distinguished from Sir Richard Beauchamp M.P., lord Beauchamp of Powick (1435-1503).

BEAUCHAMP, Sir WILLIAM (1410-57); of Steeple-Lavington (lord St. Amand 1449). King's carver 1430-57; Chamberlain of North Wales 1437-57. M.P. WILTSHIRE 1447. Sumnd. 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1450-1, 1453-4, 1455-6.

S. of Sir Walter Beauchamp M.P., Speaker, by Elizabeth (*d.* 1447), da. and coh. of Sir John Roche of Bromham, Wilts.⁴ *M.* by 1426 Elizabeth (1409-91) da. and h. of Gerard Braybroke (*d.* 1422) (and g. da. and h. of Sir Gerard Braybroke (*d.* 1429), by Eleanor da. and h. of Amery, lord St. Amand); Elizabeth *rem.* Sir Roger Tocotes (*q.v.*).

Kntd. by 8 Jan. 1430; carver to the King by 1430,⁵ but only in Oct. 1432 did he get the normal grant of £40 a year; Chamberlain of North Wales from May 1437; obtained a pension of 100 marks out of the issues of Beds. and Bucks., 1439; J.P., Beds., 28 Jan. 1435 till death; J.P., Wilts., 22 May 1442 till death; sheriff, Wilts., 1436-7, of Devon 1439-40, of Wilts. 1442-3 and 1447-8; grant of the reversion of the custody of Clarendon, after the death of Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, June 1440. On Gloucester's death he became keeper of Clarendon. In Oct. 1440 the King's carver got another pension of £20 a year out of Cambs. and Hunts.; keeper of Beaumaris 1442; on comns. repeatedly 1443 to 1453; present at the coronation of Queen Margaret, 1445; pardoned 1446 as "of Bromham, Wilts.", though his mother did not die till the following year; exempted from Resumption completely, both in 1453 and in 1455. He was sumnd. as lord St. Amand, 2 Jan. 1449; survived 1450 with little loss, and had a re-grant of the Chamberlainship of North Wales, Apr. 1451; in Oct. 1451 his pensions as King's carver appear to have been consolidated at £100 a year; his s. Richard (*q.v.*) was joined with him in the grant of Clarendon, 1456.

D. 19 Mar. 1457, and his widow Elizabeth had licence to remarry Sir Roger Tocotes (*q.v.*) of the Household, Apr. 1458.⁶

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 245-6.

² *ibid.* vi. 273.

³ To be bur. in Blackfriars, London. Bequests to Salisbury cathedral. Exors. :— Dame Anne his w., Thomas Long, knight, Richard Sacheverell, William Wrattsley (*q.v.*), John Lamb. Overseer—Edmund Dudley (*q.v.*) (P.C.C., 2 Bennett).

⁴ His yr. bro. Richard was bp. of Salisbury 1450-81.

⁵ Fine Roll, Jan. 8 Hen. VI.

⁶ G.E.C., *Comp. Peer.*, S—T., p. 10.

BEAUFITZ, RICHARD.

M.P. Farnham 1460-1.

Undiscovered ; but probably a yr. s. of Thomas Beaufitz of Stratford, Mdsx., clerk of the foreign estreats in the Exchqr. 1439-50, and coroner of London 1441-60. If so, his eld. bro. Robert, also at the Exchqr., was *b. c.* 1428 ; and Richard was probably a servant of the Bp. of Winchester, who controlled the borough from his palace at Farnham.

BEAUFITZ (*alias* REVISE), THOMAS (1430-1484/9) ; of Balsall, Warw., gent. M.P. Warwick boro' 1478.

Perhaps s. of John Beaufitz, an elector in Warwick 1453, 1467 ; *m.* Katherine da. and h. of John Lyn, baker of Stratford atte Bowe.¹ He may be the Thomas Beaufitz of Pilton, N'hants., who was a mainpernor for Richard Barton of Newton, N'hants., on 7 Mar. 1467.²

In 1450 an assessor of the subsidy in Warwick ;³ a feoffee to uses in county Warwick 1465/83 ; sheriff, Warw. and Leics., 1476-7 ; elector 1478 ; pardoned, 1484, as " of Balsale, Warws., gent., *alias* esq., *alias* John Revise of Balsall, *alias* late of Kenilworth " (*m.* 19). His s. and h. John was eschr. Warw. 1488, and Thomas seems to have been dead in 1489.

He must not be confounded with Thomas Beaufitz, coroner of London, clerk of the foreign estreats in the Exchequer, who had a s. and h. Robert of age in 1448.

BEAUFOY, RALPH (1425-70) ; of Seaton ;⁴ ? lawyer. M.P. RUTLAND 1459.

Perhaps s. of William Beaufoy M.P. (1397-1466).

In Apr. 1450 Ralph Beaufoy and William Smyth were apptd. by Lord Zouch, his attorneys to deliver seisin.⁵

BEAUFOY, WILLIAM (1397⁶-66) ; of Seaton. M.P. RUTLAND 1433, 1435, 1445-6.

S. of William Beaufoy of same, and h. to his bro. Sir John in 1424,⁶ and g. s. of Ralph.⁷

Sheriff, Rutland, 1433-4, 1438-9, 1442-3, 1454-5 ; J.P., Rutland, 12 Apr. 1446 till 1461 ; on Rutland comms., archers, 1457, array, Dec. 1459, being Lancastrian. A feoffee for John Cheseldon in Rutland 1448, 1451.

D. just before 3 Feb. 1466 when his writ of *diem clausit* was issued to the eschrs. of Rutland and Norf.⁸ Arms :—Ermine on a bend sable, 3 cinquefoils or.

¹ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiii. 22.

² Fine Roll, 7 Edw. IV (*m.* 3).

³ Fine Roll, 28 Hen. VI (*m.* 6).

⁴ *Visitn. Rutland*, 46.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. 228.

⁶ Aged 27 at his bro.'s death, 4 Nov. 1424. Order to the eschr. of Norf., 12 Feb. 1425, to take of Margaret who was w. of Sir John Beaufo, an oath in presence of William Beaufo esq., bro. and h. of her husband (*Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1425), p. 168) (*Inq. p.m.* 3 Hen. VI).

⁷ *Visitn. Rutland*, 46.

⁸ Fine Roll, 5 Edw. IV. (*m.* 23).

BEAULEY (BEWLEY), JOHN (1435-90); of Woldham, Kent, gent.
M.P. Midhurst 1460-1.

John Beauley of Woldham was a feoffee in the Hundred of Hoo, Kent, in 1473 and 1475.¹ Called "gent.", he was owed £40 by a gent. of Kent in 1482. He was suing for a messuage in Rochester 1480/3.²

BEAULEY (BEWLEY), RICHARD (1410-73); of Cumbd., lawyer. M.P.
Carlisle 1433, 1459.

Perhaps s. of William Beauley (M.P. Cumbd. 1413).

J.P., Cumbd., of the quorum, 28 Nov. 1439 to 4 Apr. 1443, 12 Feb. 1448 to 16 June 1453, 9 Dec. 1459 to Nov. 1461, and 6 Dec. 1463 to 20 June 1473;³ comns., Cumbd., 21 Dec. 1459 (Lancastrian comn. of array), and Westd., 26 Sept. 1467.

BEAUMONT, Hon. HENRY (1412-46); of Overton, Leics. King's Squire.
M.P. Dunwich 1429, 1432; LEICESTERSHIRE 1445-6.

Yr. s. of Henry, lord Beaumont (1380-1413) by Elizabeth da. of William, lord Willoughby, and yr. bro. of John, viscount Beaumont (1408-60); *m.* Jane da. and h. of William Leventhorpe; she survived him and they had Sir Henry Beaumont⁴ of Wednesbury, Staffs, *d.* 1472.⁵

The King's squire, Henry Beaumont, was made constable of Horston castle, Derbys., 8 Nov. 1436; granted £20 for life and for the duration of war with France, which sum the abbot of Rufford was wont to pay to the alien house of Clairvaux, 21 Aug. 1438; the pension was converted into a charge on the church of Rotherham, Yorks., 7 May 1440. With Jane his wife he had an indult to choose his own confessor, being esq. of the diocese of Lichfield, Apr. 1442.⁶ The King's esquire was to have a tun of red wine yearly, delivered in Ipswich, 7 May 1443; but, on 15 Nov. 1446, a new grant of this tun of wine was made, "as Henry Beaumont esq. is dead."⁷

At all these times he is called esquire; but after death he was called *knt.* Henry s. and h. of *Sir* Henry Beaumont, Charles Nowell (*q.v.*), and John Twynowe petitioned Parliament in 1453, alleging that Dame Jane wife of the late Henry Beaumont, *knt.*, had made a contract of marriage with Charles Nowell, but Jane had been carried off and ravished by Edward Lancaster;⁸ and a Yorkshire comn. of *oyer* and *terminer* considered the felonies and rapes on "Dame" Jane, 8 Feb. 1453. It would almost seem that he was *kntd.* on the rising of his last Parliament.

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. pp. 546, 558.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 33/178.

³ His place was taken by one William Beauley in 1473, so that he is likely to have died in that year.

⁴ *Leics. Visitn.* 169-170.

⁵ Fine Roll, 12 Edw. IV. (m.17); Will, P.C.C., 17 Wattys.

⁶ *Cal. Pap. Reg.* (1442), 311.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1446), 24.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* v. 269.

BEAUMONT, JOHN (1450-87); of Bodrigan, esq. M.P. CORNWALL
1483 June, (and probably 1484 also).

Son, of doubtful legitimacy, to William Beaumont by Jane afterwards wife of Henry Bodrugan.¹ On Devon comns. from 1473, including both comns. of array in 1484. Outlawed as "of Bodrugan" for not appearing to answer a London suit for £150 debt, and pardoned 1476; or again in 1477 as "esq., alias late of Bodrugan". In those years he was continually suing in Chancery concerning Devon and Cornish lands.² A comn. was issued for the arrest of Henry Bodrugan, John Beaumont and others, rebels in Devon and Cornwall, in connection with Lambert Simnell's rising, Feb. 1487. Bodrugan escaped abroad but Beaumont was taken, attainted 9 Nov. 1487, and beheaded. Attainder reversed 1489,³ and his son Henry had licence to enter on all his possessions 1502—"saving that wardship and marriage of said Henry were granted for 800 marks to Richard, bishop of Exeter, and Sir William Hody, chief baron."

BEAUMONT, PHILIP (1432-73); of Gittisham and Heanton, Devon.
M.P. DEVON 1467-8, ? 1470-1.

Third son of Sir Thomas Beaumont (1402-50), by Philippa Dynham, hence cousin to Lord Dynham. He succeeded his elder brother William in the Beaumont lands in 1466—Jane widow of William having failed to prove the legitimacy of her son John Beaumont (*q.v.*).⁴

He was on comns. in Devon from 1458 onwards, including the arrest of the Earl of Devon in Jan. 1461—evidently a Yorkist; sheriff, Devon, 1467-8, pricked while M.P.; J.P., Devon, 18 Feb. 1468 to 30 Nov. 1470, 20 June 1471 till death. In May 1470 he was made constable of Dunster during the minority of William, earl of Pembroke.

The will of Nicholas Statham M.P. refers to "Beaumont a worshipful squier of the west country" who paid him money to influence his conduct in Parliament, implying that they were both M.P.s in the 1470 Parliament.⁵ If Philip Beaumont really was an M.P. in that Parliament it is remarkable evidence of the hostility of that Parliament to Warwick's Government, for he had just been removed by them from the bench.

D. just before 28 June 1473 when comns. were issued to enquire what lands he held in six south-west counties, and when he died and who is his heir.⁶

BEAUPIE, PIERS (1430-80); of Ludlow and Westminster, esq.; chief clerk of the controller of the Household, recorder of Ludlow, lawyer. M.P.
Ludlow 1472-5, when first Ludlow sent M.P.s.

In Dec. 1461, for good service to the King's father, Piers Beaupie and Richard Forster were granted the stewardship of Cookham and Bray, Berks. But Beaupie

¹ Whereas it was understood that Jane w. of Henry Bodrugan, late the wife of William Beaumont, had issue one John the lawful s. of said William, it has been proved that said John is a bastard, and that Philip Beaumont is bro. and next heir to said William (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1467, p. 539).

³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 397; vi. 413.

⁵ *Inst. Hist. Res. Bulletin*, iii. 49.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 42/54; 58/356.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1466), p. 539.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1473), p. 427.

probably came up from Wales with Edward IV, for the Act of Resumption, 1464, "is not to prejudice any grant by us as Earl of March to our servant Piers Beaupie esq."¹ He was a servant in the Household, 1463-6.² In 1468 he was described as of London, gent., when a mainpernor.³ First M.P. for Ludlow and probably first recorder 1466-74 with a salary of 26s. 8d. a year. Doubtless he obtained the issue of the Writ, for he held the office of Clerk of the Green Cloth.⁴ This office is otherwise described in his pardon in 1471½—"Piers Beaupie of Pola (Welshpool ?) in the marches of Wales esq., *alias* late of Staunton-Lacy, Salop, late of Bromsgrove, Worcs., late of Ludlow, late chief clerk of the controller of our Household *alias* a clerk of the account of our Household." He was on many comns. in Worcs., Heref., and Glos., and had a grant of Fownhope, Heref., during the minority of Clarence's heir, 9 Apr. 1478.

D. 1480. Will of Piers Beaupie of Ludlow and of Westminster, dat. 13 May, pr. 5 Aug. 1480.⁵ His widow and the two sons founded a chantry at Ludlow to pray for him, Sept. 1484.

BECHE see BEECH.

BECKETT (BEKET), JOHN (1410-45); of Westminster, gent. Keeper of Westminster palace 1440-5; yeoman of the Crown. M.P. Reigate 1442.

M. Margaret who survived him and rem. Simon Shipton. Their s. David d. s.p. and his sisters were his heirs.⁶

Page of the Chamber in July 1437, when he was granted the office of porter of Odiham castle, and groom of the Chamber when the grant is extended for life in Dec. 1437; grant to Beckett and to Thomas Carre in survivorship of six houses of the King's wools at Westminster, 15 Dec. 1437; which grant was surrendered in Nov. 1442; to Beckett, groom of the Chamber, and John Robesart in survivorship, the constablenesship of Odiham, Feb. 1438; to Beckett and Robert Savage, both grooms of the Chamber, the "amobyrr" of various commotes in Anglesey, to serve by self or deputy; it need not be supposed that he ever went to Anglesey. Apptd. keeper of the privy palace of Westminster jointly with Richard Butler, 14 Mar. 1440, and Butler was dead by Oct.⁷ He attended Eleanor, duchess of Gloucester, on her way to prison at Leeds castle, July 1440;⁷ with Richard Westby he was granted the office of tronage and pesage in Boston, Nov. 1440;

¹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 548.

² *Exchq. Accts.*, 3-4 and 5-6 Edw. IV.

³ Fine Roll, 8 Edw. IV. (m.20). Piers Beaupie of London, esq., and Robert Brown, of London, gent., were mainpernors for Robert Smyth in the keeping of manor of St. Margaret, Stretton, Wilts., 1 June 1468.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1477, p. 64; 1480, pp. 192, 495.

⁵ To be bur. in Westminster Abbey or wherever else he dies. Bequests to King's Chapel, to St. Margaret's, Westminster, and St. Mary's, Ludlow. Bequests to Edward and John his sons, to Elizabeth his da. and to Agnes his wife (P.C.C., 38 Wattys).

⁶ In 1485 Margaret Beckett and Florence, w. of John Blackburn, petitioned as heirs of John Beckett. He had been seised of lands at Plumstead and Woolwich, which had descended to David, his s., and Margaret, Beckett's w., the mother of David. The lands had been alienated, which on David's death should have passed to his sisters. The widow and da. petitioned for recovery (*Rot. Parl.* vi. 324).

⁷ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

still "porter", "constable" or "parker" (and the names seem to represent the same fact) of Odiham castle in 1440 and 1441, but his partner in 1441 was then John Baskett, who sat for Surrey in the 1442 Parlt.

Both the Members for Reigate in 1442 seem to be strangers from London recommended by the chancery, and after Parlt. rose Beckett obtained, first an exemption from all offices, then the office of eschr. for Surrey and Sussex, 1442-3; then, with John Gurney, the office of constable of the privy palace of Westminster with a chamber and a chimney between the college of St. Stephen's and the palace—perhaps this John Beckett also carried the mace. A grant of the castle and manor of Stoke-under-Hampton, Som., followed in Oct. 1443, and Beckett was alive as late as June 1444 when he is described as of Westminster, gent.

He was dead, Feb. 1445, when the tronage and pesage of Boston was granted elsewhere, and other of his offices passed to John Say (*q.v.*)—Beckett being described as late yeoman of the Crown. He would seem, therefore, to have *d.* early in 1445; the will of John Beckett of Billingsgate, fishmonger, pr. Sept. 1447 may well be his.¹

BECKETT (BEGET), THOMAS (1420-60); yeoman of the Chamber.
M.P. Shrewsbury 1447.

He was probably s. of Thomas Becket, M.P. for Shrewsbury in 1416 and alderman in 1444; but he himself does not occur in the Shrewsbury records. In 1454 the (reduced) establishment of the Household of Henry VI included Thomas Becket as one of the eight yeoman of the Chamber.²

BECKETT see BOKET.

BECKWITH (BEKWITH), JOHN (1410-70); of Lewes, Sussex. M.P.
Shoreham 1449 (1); Lewes 1450-1, 1460-1.

Pardoned (as a constable of Lewes) for being out with Cade, 7 July 1450;³ apptd. (with Thomas Dixon, esq.) to the scrutiny and weighing of wools shipped at Boston and Lynn, 16 Nov. 1463;⁴ pardoned for not appearing to render account to Gilbert Debenham (*q.v.*), while he was his receiver, etc., 18 Nov. 1465.⁵

BEDFORD (BEDDFFORD), ANDREW (1430-80); ald. of Bath; oil-merchant.
M.P. Bath 1467-8.

The 1460 Accounts of the Church of St. Michael, Bath, give "and in oil bought of Andrew Beddeford for the said lamp this year, as appears by the bill of parcels annexed to this account 3s. 6d."; and in 1473/4, "to Andrew Bedford for oil for the lamps burning in the church this year 2s. 6d." By May 1475, but not in Apr. 1474, Andrew Bedford witnessed a Bath deed⁶ as alderman.

¹ All goods, etc., and residue to exors. John Throckmorton (*q.v.*), John Vampage, William Vernon, William Wullushall, and William Tanner (P.C.C., 28 Luffenham).

² *Privy. Coun. Proc.* vi. 225.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1450), 346.

⁴ *ibid.* (1463), 303.

⁵ As "of Lewes, Sussex, yeoman"; *ibid.* (1465), 420. Gilbert Debenham came from Suff., so that Beckwith of Lewes may be the scrutineer of Lynn.

⁶ King and Watts, *Municipal Records of Bath*, pp. xxiii, xxiv; *Ancient Deeds of Bath*, pp. 39, 66, 93, 105, 123.

BEDSTONE, WILLIAM (1425-85); of Heythrop, Oxon.; King's Servant, ? lawyer. M.P. Bodmin 1455-6; Wallingford 1460-1; Oxford boro' 1467-8. Yorkist.

In June 1456, after Parliament was dissolved, he was made keeper of lands in Co. Oxon, during the minority of William Chamberleyn. In 1457/60 William Bedstone and Margery his wife, late wife of John Asshefeld esq., sued Ashfield's feoffees for the manor of Heythrop, Oxon., and lands in Bradley and Wenlock, Salop; and they sued William Lakon (*q.v.*), serjeant-at-law, and Thomas Gryme, feoffees, for a tenement in London.¹ During the 1460 Parliament he was made escheator, Oxon. and Berks., 1460-1. In May 1461 he and Thomas Sackville were commissioned to make arrests, whence he may be supposed to be a servant of the new dynasty. In 1467/9 John Strange writes to Paston, "he was sore troubled with Bedstone".² In 1475 William Bedstone of Dunthrop and Heythrop, Oxon., appears in the Ancient Indictments of the K.B. Lastly, in 1475/85, William Bedstone esq. sued Richard Croft (*q.v.*), feoffee to uses, for a messuage in Kirtlington, Oxon.³

BEECH (BECHE), JOHN (1395-1460); of Colchester. M.P. Colchester 1429-30, 1432, 1433, 1435 (? 1439), 1442.

S. and h. of John Beech of the same.

Bailiff of Colchester 1428, 1429, 1431, 1433, 1437, 1440, 1442, 1447 and 1456;⁴ with his colleague, Thomas Oskyn, he had licence to buy wheat and carry the same into Colchester, Jan. 1439.⁵

BEERE see BERE.

BEETHAM (BETHOME),⁶ (Sir) EDWARD (1415-72); of Beetham, Westd. M.P. WESTMORLAND 1445-6, 1449 (1).⁷

S. and h. of Thomas Beetham (M.P. Westd. and living 1442) of Beetham, by Margaret, his first wife;⁸ *m.* Jane (*b.* 1433), eld. da. and coh. of William Nevill, lord Faucomberg and earl of Kent, who survived him.⁹

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/213.

² *Paston Letters*, ii. 296.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 58/304.

⁴ Rickword, *List of Mayors of Colchester*, pp. 12, 13.

⁵ *Geneal. N.S.* xxii, p. 184, gives an Essex suit of 1488 in which Richard Allegood sues for land in Colchester, as s. of Eleanor, da. and h. of Eleanor, sis. and h. of *John Beech*, who was s. and h. of John Beech, who was s. and h. of Richard Beech. This last Richard Beech may be the man of that name who was M.P. for Colchester in 1355, and the John Beech who was Allegood's great-uncle, and died without issue, may well be this Member for Colchester in 1429-42.

⁶ Arms:—Or, 3 fleurs de lis, azure.

⁷ Farrer, *Records of Kendal*, ii. 227.

⁸ *Chetham Soc. Trans.*, xcix, 102.

⁹ Jane's mother, Jane, was "a fool and an idiot from birth", and *rem.* John Berwick two months after the Earl's death. This affords an excellent example of the utter disregard for eugenics in the 15th cent., particularly when the inheritance of property was involved. The countess *d.* in 1490, aged 84, having surv. all her children.

Comnr., Cumbd., 1444, Westd., 1461; not a knt. in June 1444, nor when elected in Feb. 1445; with his wife had livery from the trustees of the manors of Beetham and Hazleslack, and various lands (all in Westd.), 11 Aug. 1446, being then a knight;¹ settled his Lancashire estates (failing his own issue) successively on his bros. Roger, William, Richard, a cousin, and their heirs, between 1462 and 1472;² J.P., Westd., and Lancs., 17 Jan. 1471 till death.

D. 22 Feb. 1472.³

BEETS see BETTYS.

BEGET see BECKET.

BEKE, THOMAS (1420-91); of Reading and of Erlegh White Knights. M.P. Reading 1450-1, 1461-2, 1478.

He was an elector of the borough in 1449 (2); on the Guild Committee 1452; mayor of Reading 1458-9, 1462-3, 1476-7, and one of the three to be selected for mayor by the abbot in 1478 and 1479, but not chosen.⁴ In 1476/7 Isabel Richards sued him as mayor, for tenements in Reading.⁵

D. 1491. Will, Thomas Beke of "Erle White Knyghtes", dat. 14 Mar., pr 29 Oct. 1491.⁶

BEKET see BECKETT.

BEKWITH see BECKWITH.

BELE see BELL.

BELL (BELE), ROBERT; King's Servant. M.P. Warcham 1478.

Grant for life to Robert Bele, one of the grooms of the chamber, King's servant, of lands in Plympton, 26 Apr. 1480. He may be son of John Bele, marshal of the Hall, for to a son of the said John land in Leicestershire was granted in 1481.

BELL (BELE), WILLIAM (1450-1505/6); of Lincoln, merchant-stapler. M.P. Lincoln city 1491-2.

Mayor of Lincoln 1491-2; mayor of the staple of wools at Boston 1493. In 1497 Sir John Babington, knight of the Body, and others, including William Bell of Lincoln, founded a chantry chapel of St. Katherine's in the church of St. Wolfram at Grantham.

D. 1505/6. Will, dat. 16 Apr. 1505, pr. 14 May 1506.⁷

¹ *Dodsworth MSS.* 149, f.144.

² *Chetham Soc. Trans.*, loc. cit.

³ *Chan. Inq. p.m.*, 12 Edw. IV. No. 20. He d. without issue, his next-of-kin being Agnes, da. of his bro. Roger, and wife of Robert Middleton.

⁴ *Reading Diaries*, i, 39, 47, 76, etc.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 54/55.

⁶ To be bur. in Friars Minor, Reading. The Manor of White Knights to his w. Isabel. Residue also, and she sole exix. (P.C.C., 1 Dogett).

⁷ Of Newton next Toft, Lincs.; bequest to bro. William Roche of lands in Lincoln. Exors.:-Robert Neville of Ragwell, esq., William Roche his bro., John Tournay, gent. Supervisor-Sir Thomas Knight (q.v.) (P.C.C., 7 Adeane).

BELLARS (BELLUREZ),¹ JOHN (1415-75); of Kettleby, Leics.,² esq.
M.P. LEICESTERSHIRE 1450-1; (?) 1470-1.

S. and h. of John Bellars (s. and h. of James) of Sutton, Leics.; *m.* Elizabeth, da. of Anthony Sutton (or Howby) of Howby, Leics., page to Henry V in France.³

In company with sixty ōrs. he broke in upon the close of Richard de la Launde, esq., at N. Witham, Lincs., and stole his goods to the value of £40, 1437;⁴ a feoffee in Sibstone, Leics., 3 Oct. 1440;⁵ J.P., Leics., 26 May 1444 to 22 Nov. 1458,⁶ 13 Dec. 1470 to 24 Oct. 1474; elector, Leics., 1447, 1467; comnr., Leics., 1451, 1457, Feb. 1470; sued for illegal distress at Burton Lazars, Leics., 1453;⁷ exempted for life from holding any office against his will, 14 May 1468.⁸

D. 27 Jan. 1475; Ellen (wife of William Roskyn), aged 50, Marina (Greene), and John Villiers, esq. (s. of Jane, 3rd da. of John Bellars, senr.), aged 40 (!), were his sisters, nephew, and heirs; lands, Leics.;⁹ the same heirs appear to his lands in Northants., except that Jasper, s. of Ellen and William Roskyn is in place of Ellen.¹⁰

BELLINGHAM (BELYNGHAM),¹¹ RICHARD (1410-60); of Burnside, Cumbd., esq. M.P. CUMBERLAND 1449-50.

Probably s. of Robert Bellingham, and father of Sir Robert Bellingham of Burnside; *m.* Anne, da. of John Berbourne.¹²

Eschr., Cumbd. and Westd., 1444-5; pardoned 16 Sept. 1455.¹³

BELLINGHAM, THOMAS (1420-90), of Yapton, Sussex, esq. M.P.
— 1445-6;¹⁴ Arundel 1449 (1); Midhurst 1449-50; Arundel 1459.

Fourth s. of Robert Bellingham of Bellingham, Nhd., by Elizabeth da. of Sir Richard Tunstall of Thurland, Lancs.; *m.* Jane da. and coh. of John Wiltshire (M.P. Arundel 1401), by whom he had issue.¹⁵

¹ Arms:—Per pale gu. and sa., a lion ar.

² In 1462 he is described as of "Gt. Ketelby, Leics."; *Pardon Roll*, 15 May 1462, (m.12); in 1468, of "Kettleby, esq., late of Howeby, Leics., late of Sutton, Leics."; *ibid.*, 18 June 1468, (m.2); in 1471, of "Ketelby, esq."; *ibid.*, 1 Dec. 1471.

³ *Visit. Leics.*, 30; *ibid. Notts.*, 52; *Geneal.* (N.S.), xviii. 236 (citing *De Banco Roll*, Mich. 32 Hen. VI (m.529)).

⁴ Among other things they assaulted and imprisoned one John Wyke a servant of de la Launde's; a comn. of oyer and terminer sat to enquire into the matter, 18 July 1437; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1437), 89.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 101.

⁶ This date notwithstanding, he is described (*Pardon Roll*, 15 May 1462, (m.12)) as "*alias* J.P. for Henry VI and Edward IV".

⁷ *Geneal.* (N.S.), *loc. cit.*

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1468), 89.

⁹ *Inq. p.m.*, 15 Edw. IV.

¹⁰ *ibid.*, 16 Edw. IV.

¹¹ Arms:—Ar., three bugle-horns sa. ¹² Marriage, *ex inf.* Mr. Curwen.

¹³ As "late of Strykland Ketyll, Westmorland, esq."; *Pardon Roll*, 16 Sept. 1455, (m.27).

¹⁴ "... on of the burgeys of this p̄sent Parlement, . . ."; *Rot. Parl.* v. 168. With his bro. Robert and others he assaulted Sir Thomas Parr (*q.v.*) who was on his way to Parl. "from his loogyng place"; *ibid.*

¹⁵ Berry, *Sussex Pedigrees*, 190; Dallaway, *Rape of Arundel*, 208. In the *Rot. Parl.* (*loc. cit.*) he and his bro. are described as "late of Burnelshede in the Countee of Westmerland."

A feoffee of Brabourne, Kent, 19 Mar. 1465; elector, Sussex, 1467, 1472, 1478; steward of the priory of Calceto by Arundel 1478;¹ comnr. Sussex, 1 May 1484,² 7 Aug. 1486, 23 Dec. 1488;³ J.P. Sussex, 20 Sept. 1485 to 15 Aug. 1488, 6 Sept. 1488 till death.

D. 25 Mar. 1490; Ralph, age 20, was his s. and h.⁴

BELLUREZ see BELLERS.

BELTON, JOHN (1415-80); of Cambridge. M.P. Cambridge boro' 1442, 1447, 1450-1.

J.P., Cambridge town, 1453 till after 1475; bailiff 1441, 1445; mayor of Cambridge 1453-56, in 1457, from 1461-63,⁵ and in Nov. 1464; elector, Cambridge boro', 1453; in 1480 he took a lease of two cottages in St. Peter's parish from the nuns of St. Radegund.⁶ He must have been dead in 1490, as he was one of the "now deceased" feoffees of Henry Chycheley in that year.

BELYNHAM see BELLINGHAM.

BENET see BENNET.

BENGER, JOHN (1410-85); of Collingbourne-Sunton, Wilts.,⁷ lawyer. M.P. Westbury 1449-50; Bedwin 1467-8.

Probably s. of John Benger of Maningford (M.P. Bedwin 1420); *m.* Beatrice, sis. of John Michell (*q.v.*) of Marlborough, by whom he had Thomas, Robert, and William.⁸

Sworn to the peace in Wilts., 1 May 1434; comnr., Wilts., 1435, 1457, 1459, 1483; licensed to endow the priory of Easton, Wilts., with the advowson of the church of Stapleford, Wilts., 11 Feb. 1444;⁹ presented to the church of Elyndon *alias* Wroughton, 1449;¹⁰ elector, Wilts., 1450; sued by Sir John Seymour (*q.v.*) concerning Wolf Hall and other manors in Wilts. (of which Sir William Esturmy had *d.* seised in 1427), 9 Nov. 1451;¹¹ J.P., Wilts., of the quorum, 14 Feb. 1456 to 29 Aug. 1459, 8 Nov. 1475 to 5 Dec. 1483.

¹ *Sussex Arch. Colls.*, xi. 106.

² Array; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 398.

³ To supply archers for the relief of Brittany; *ibid.* (1488), 281.

⁴ *Cal. Inq. p.m.* 5 Hen. VII. No. 641; lands—Sussex. His w. Jane had inherited a moiety of Courtwick, Lyminster, Sussex, from her grandmother.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/295-1461/3. John Wulf, the elder, *v.* J. B., late mayor of Cambridge and other feoffees *re* a messuage in Foulmire and Thriplowe, Cambs.

⁶ J. Milner Gray. *Biog. Notes on Mayors of Cambridge*, p. 18.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1456), 277, where called "Collingbourne Southampton."

⁸ *Visitn. Kent*, 52.

⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1444), 228.

¹⁰ *Wilts. Arch. Mag.* xiii. 409.

¹¹ *ibid.* (1451), 555. The name Berenger occurs from Henry III onward, and is perpetuated in Sutton Benger. There was a Berenger at Wolfhall in the 14th century. They were servants of the Sturmys. Sir William Sturmy by a deathbed enfeoffment in 1427 made over Wolf Hall, Huish, and other Sturmy manors to John Benger the first, hence a lawsuit with the Seymours which lasted over a century (*Wilts. Arch. Mag.* xxxix. 173, etc).

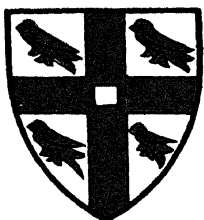
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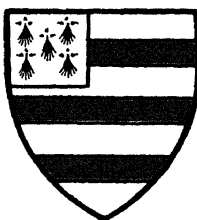
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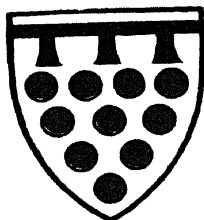
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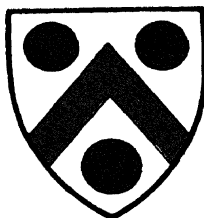
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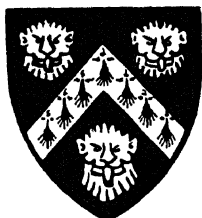
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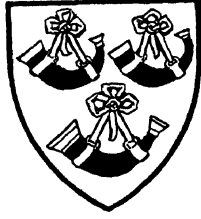
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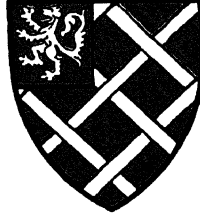
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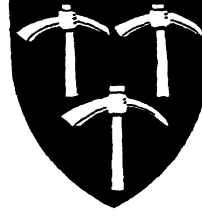
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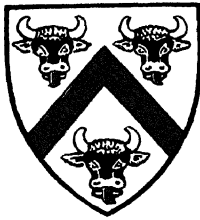
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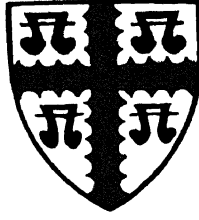
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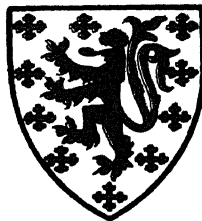
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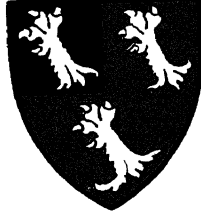
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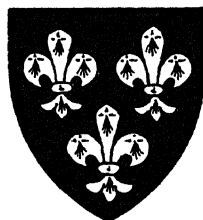
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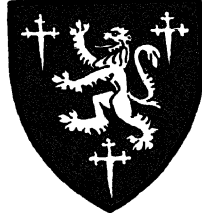
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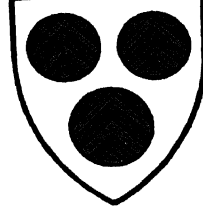
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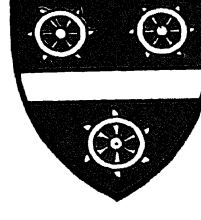
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BENISON, HUGH. M.P. Grimsby 1489-90.

As a *Joseph* Benyson was made constable of the staple of wools etc. at Boston in 1507, Hugh was probably a Lincolnshire man. But the name does not occur elsewhere in the Grimsby records. It might be a misreading for Denison, a better known Lincolnshire family.

BENNETT (BENET), WILLIAM (1385-1463); of Canterbury, draper. M.P. Canterbury 1416 (1), 1416 (2) 1420, 1425, 1435, 1450-1.

S. of Robert Benet of Stour St. and his w. Cristine (will pr. 1419);¹ *m.* four times, but left no issue; second w., Alice.¹

Admtd. a freeman of Canterbury by birth, 1406; bailiff 1416-7, 1419-20, 1421-2, 1430-1, 1434-5, 1443-4;² exor. for Thomas Wykes in 1431, and that same year he and Thomas Langdon acted for the bailiffs and citizens of Canterbury; sworn to the peace in 1434 as "of Canterbury"; pardoned, 23 July 1437, as "of Canterbury, draper" (*m.*7); an elector for the city and county in 1442; mayor 1449-50, returning himself to Parlt. He occurs frequently in Canterbury deeds and comns. down to Dec. 1461.

D. 1463 and bur. abbey ch. of St. Augustine's. Will pr. 1463.³

BENTHAM,⁴ ROBERT (1400-65); of Gloucester, porter of Wallingford castle, Berks. M.P. Cricklade 1449 (1); Heytesbury 1449-50; (? Gatton 1450-1);⁵ Gloucester 1453-4.

Granted during pleasure, office of porter of Wallingford castle, 6 Jan. 1437;⁶ the office granted to him for life, 17 Jan. 1438,⁷ and in survivorship with John Burgh (*q.v.*), 10 Apr. 1453;⁸ the patent of 1438 confirmed, 3 June 1454;⁹ elector, Glos., 1449, 1455; Gloucester boro' 1453,¹⁰ 1460.

BENTHAM, THOMAS. M.P. Gatton 1450-1.

Undiscovered. Possibly an error for Robert Bentham (*q.v.*).

BENYON (BEYNEON=AP EYNYON), ROBERT (1430-85); of Shrewsbury. M.P. Shrewsbury 1478, 1484.¹¹

Admitted burgess of Shrewsbury 1451, when described as son of "Deys ap Eignon of Rowton" in parish of Alberbury. Bailiff of Shrewsbury 1475.¹²

¹ Cotton, *Grey Friars of Canterbury*, 85.

² *ibid.* 87.

³ Archdeacon Reg., Canterbury. i. f.114.

⁴ cf. Robert Bentham *alias* Draper, of Bristol, gent., pardoned for not appearing, touching a debt, 11 Nov. 1430; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1430), 90.

⁵ Thomas Bentham in the Return; but no Thomas is to be found, and this is probably an error for Robert.

⁶ For good service to Henry V and the King's (Henry VI) mother; *ibid.* (1437), 32.

⁷ *ibid.* (1438), 127.

⁸ In Henry V's reign William Ferroure and Richard Colles had held the office in survivorship; *ibid.* (1453), 107.

⁹ On the oath of John Burgh it appears that the original patent of 1438 was lost at this time; *ibid.* (1454), 159.

¹⁰ He was also bailiff of Gloucester in 1453, perhaps elected himself to Parlt.

¹¹ Edw. Edwards. *Parly. Elections for the Boro' of Shrewsbury*.

¹² H. T. Weyman, *Shrewsbury M.P.s*.

BERDE see BARD.

BERE, JOHN; of Brynor, Cornwall, gent., servant to Cardinal Beaufort. M.P. Liskeard 1433; Rochester 1442.

On 14 July 1435 a safe conduct was issued to John Bere, of Brynor, Cornwall, gent., as about to accompany Cardinal Beaufort to Arras.¹ Possibly the same man sat for Rochester; possibly as a servant of the Cardinal.

BERE, JOHN 1415-60/1; of Carlisle, Cumbd., merchant,² receiver of Bamborough Castle and customer of Berwick.³ M.P. Carlisle 1449-50, 1455-6.

M. Jane, who was granted £10 a year out of Lesbury, Nhd., 6 Feb. 1462, as his widow.⁴

He was paid for extra work as collector and controller of customs and subsidies in Newcastle on Tyne, Nov. 1441;⁵ apptd. during pleasure, customer of Berwick and receiver of the castle and lordship of Bamborough, 18 Oct. 1443; the appointment as customer of Berwick renewed for life, 22 Dec. 1443; accounted for Bamborough, 1444;⁶ comnr. to purvey victuals for Roxburgh Cas., 19 Nov. 1445; elector, Cumbd., 1453; pardoned, 5 Dec. 1455.²

BERE (BEERE), RALF (1420-75); of Havant, Hants, and Boston, Lincs., gent. M.P. Weymouth 1447.

In 1466 pardon was issued to the exors. of the will of Mr. Richard "Gwen", clerk, for all his arrears of account due to the King. These exors. were Mr. John Pemberton of the Chancery, William Nottingham, gent., and Ralf Bear. It would appear that Mr. Richard Gwen was really Richard Ewen, archdeacon of Lincoln.⁶

In Nov. 1469 Ralf Bere and John Spadard were collrs. of subsidy and customs in Poole, and the Pardon Roll of 7 Dec. 1468 includes "Ralf Beare, *alias* Bere, of London, gent., late of Borston, Lincs., late of Havant, Hants" (m.19).

All these references are probably to the same man.

BERE, WILLIAM (1410-69); of Cornwall, merchant-stapler; lawyer. M.P. CORNWALL 1455-6. Yorkist.

Second. s. of Thomas Bere by a da. of Sergeaux of Killygreth. There was also John Bere, M.P. Liskeard 1433.

He was on piracy comns. in Cornwall 1439 to 1469, excepting the Lancastrian comns. of 1459-60; J.P., Cornwall, of the quorum, 10 Dec. 1455 to 26 Feb. 1459, 6 Nov. 1466 to 18 Dec. 1469; elector, Cornwall, 1446, 1449 (2); sheriff, Cornwall, 1455-6, pricked while M.P.; coroner, Cornwall, 1461-4 and earlier. Loans to the King were repaid to him as merchant of the staple, Oct. 1449 and 1454.

To judge from his comns. of the Peace he must have died 1469.

¹ *Foedera*, V. i. 21.

² Pardoned as of "Dunstanburgh, Nhd., gent., *alias* late of Berwick, merchant, *alias* of Carlisle, gent., *alias* esq."; Pardon Roll, 5 Dec. 1455 (m.15).

³ *Issue Rolls*. ⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1462), 115.

⁵ *Enr. Accts.*, F. 26 Hen. VI. D.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1466), p. 449; (1469), p. 81.

BERFORD, WILLIAM (1425-75); of Cambridge. M.P. Cambridge town 1453-4.

In 1467 William Berford was one of four bailiffs who were Cambridge boro' electors.

BERKELEY, (Sir) EDWARD (1430-1506); of Avon, Hants; bailiff of Burley, Hants, 1466-1506. M.P. SUSSEX 1463-5; HAMPSHIRE 1467-8 (returned by his brother Sir Maurice).

Second s. of Sir Maurice Berkeley of Beverstone, Glos. M.P. (1402-58) by Laura da. of Henry, lord FitzHugh, and yr. bro. of Sir Maurice Berkeley, M.P. (1423-74); *m.* Christian, da. and coh. of Sir Richard Holt, and had Thomas Berkeley of the Vine, Hants, and Laura wife of John, lord Mountjoy.¹

He was a feoffee for Sir John Scott (*q.v.*) in Kent 1465; sheriff, Hants, 1464-5, 1471-2 (returning his brother), 1475-6, 1480-1, 12 Sept. 1485-6, 1490-1; sheriff, Glos., 1494-5—a record. J.P., Hants, 21 Apr. 1466 to 10 Dec. 1470, 12 July 1474 till sheriff in Nov. 1475, 20 Sept. 1485 till death; on Hants comms. from 1466 to 1496. He was made bailiff of Burley in the New Forest, Apr. 1466, for which he was exempted from resumption in 1485;² founded a chantry at Romsey, 1476; and was pardoned, Feb. 1484, as "esq., lieut. of Clarendon, Wilts." As "of Aven, Wilts." he was exor. of the will of Walter Herne (*q.v.*) in 1485; kntd. 24 Nov. 1487; pardoned, 24 Oct. 1488, "of Aven, Hants, knt., *alias* late of Beverston, Glos., *avunculus* and heir male of Sir William Berkeley, knt., deceased, *alias* tenant of Beverston castle, *alias* lieut. of William, earl of Arundel, late keeper of Clarendon Park" (m.28). In 1493 he was joined in the bailivy of Burley by his son Maurice. He was at the Duke of York's creation in 1494, and was still among Sir John Scott's feoffees at Brabourne, Kent, in 1504.

D. 1506. Will of Sir Edward Berkeley of Avon, knt., dat. 4 Feb., pr. 5 Mar. 1506.³

BERKELEY, Sir MAURICE (1423-74); of Beverstone, Glos., and Bisterne, Hants. Squire and knight of the Body 1467-74. M.P. HAMPSHIRE 1453-4; GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1467-8; HAMPSHIRE 1472-5 (returned by his brother).

S. and h. of Sir Maurice Berkeley of same, M.P. (1402-58) by Laura da. of Henry, lord FitzHugh, and elder bro. of Sir Edward Berkeley, M.P. (1430-1506); *m.* (1) 1449 Anne da. of Reynold West, lord Delawarr,⁵ by whom he had Sir William (1450-85) M.P.; and (2) Margaret, lady Powys, who survived him.

J.P., Hants, 4 Jan. 1445 to 18 Dec. 1470; sheriff, Hants, 1455-6; sheriff, Glos., 1463-4; sheriff, Hants, 1466-7, returning his bro. Sir Edward when himself returned for Glos. Elector, Glos., 1449 (1); on Hants comm. 1454 to 1460,

¹ *Visitn. Hants*, p. 56.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1466), 516.

³ To be bur. in St. Christopher Twynham. Bequests to w. Alice, to William Berkeley, to John s. of Thomas Berkeley, to Lore, Anne, and Alice Berkeley. Exors. :—w. Alice, and sons Maurice and William (P.C.C., 4 Adeane).

⁴ Proof of age, 1 Hen. VI.

⁵ Licence to settle West Grinstead, Wilts., on the marriage, dat. 2 Nov. 1449.

including the Lancastrian arrays, and apportioner of the subsidy in Hants 1463.¹ He was paid as a squire of the Body in Oct. 1467;² pardoned 1468 as "of Buttisthorpe, Hants, esq. of the Body, exor. of the will of Sir Maurice Berkeley knt. of Beverston, *alias* late of Beverston, Glos., esq., *alias* sheriff *alias* exor. of will of Sir John Popham" (m.22). In July 1469 Edward IV sent our trusty and wellbeloved Sir Thomas Montgomery and Berkeley to the duke of Clarence to warn him. But it was too late, and Robin's army came south.³ He adhered to Edward during the Readeption and was probably in exile with the King. When they came back he was made sheriff of Hants 11 Apr. 1471; kntd. at Tewkesbury, 4 May 1471; sheriff of Wilts. 1471-2; returned M.P. for Hants 1472 by his bro. He was pardoned, 20 Jan. 1472, "*alias* of Beverston, Glos., *alias* of Bettesham, Hants, *alias* late sheriff, Hants, *alias* late lieut. of the New Forest, *alias* exor. of the will of Maurice Berkeley knt., as assignee of Henry VI, *alias* exor. of will of Sir John Popham."

D. 27 Mar. 1474, when William, aged 23, was his s. and h.; lands—Hants, Wilts., Glos., Devon, Som. and Dorset. Will, dat. 20 Feb., pr. 1 June 1474.⁴

BERKELEY (BARKELEY), RICHARD (1460-1520); of Winchelsea and Rye, sea captain, yeoman of the Crown. M.P. Winchelsea 1497; Rye 1504, 1510.

In June 1486 Richard Berkeley, master of the *John de Foole*, was ordered to press men and purvey victuals for the fleet; in Feb. 1488, to take mariners and soldiers for *le Peter Davent* of Spain going against the King's enemies. A ship-owner in 1491, servant to Lord Oxford, who was Admiral of England;⁵ mayor of Winchelsea 1497-8; appointed collector of customs, etc., at Chichester, 17 Oct. 1500 (called "King's servant"); mayor of Rye 1503-4;⁶ pardoned, 6 June 1505, "of Rye, yeoman, *alias* late searcher in Chichester, *alias* late yeoman of the Crown"; and again 1509 "merchant of Rye, late yeoman of the Crown". He was still serving in the fleet in 1513 as a victualler with the force going to Brest⁷—Berkeley and 100 men were to land with Lord Lisle. Evidently the victualling of the navy was passing from private enterprise to officers of the Crown.

BERKELEY, Sir THOMAS (1420-90); of Wymondham, Leics., lawyer. M.P. LEICESTERSHIRE 1472-5.

S. and h. of Sir Lawrence Berkeley, M.P. (slain in France 1458?), by Jane sis. of Sir Robert Woodford; *m.* (1) Emma, da. of William Brokesby,⁸ and (2) Sybil, widow of Sir William Lacon, M.P., justice of K.B. (who *d.* 1475) and da. of John Syterwold of Cleever.⁹

¹ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

² Issue Roll, 7 Edw. IV, No. 839.

³ *Paston Letters*, ii. 360.

⁴ To be bur. at Christchurch, Hants. His manor at Pettystornhall, Sussex, to Margaret his w., lady Powys. Prayers for Anne and Margaret his wives, and for Sir John Popham. Bequests to William his s., his da. Katherine Stourton, and his bro. Edw. Berkeley. Gifts to New College at Winchester (P.C.C., 15 Wattys).

⁵ *Paston Letters*, iii, 371-4.

⁶ Vidler, *Rye*, 159.

⁷ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 852.

⁸ *Visitm. Leics.* 2; *Lincs. Pedigrees*, i. 128.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/216.

J.P., Leics., 1442-58; sheriff, Rutland, 1443-4; special admn. Lincoln's Inn 1449, but excused repasts—may be at repasts "when lord Cromwell is in town" and also while sheriff of Warw. and Leics., *i.e.* 1454-5.¹ On comns., Leics., 1457 onwards, including the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459 and all those of 1483-4. Apportioner of subsidy, Rutland, 1463;² kntd. 1463/9; sheriff, Rutland, 1471-2; granted 20 marks yearly pension out of Rutland, Feb. 1472; J.P., Rutland, 24 Apr. 1470 to 1475; 9 Aug. 1479 till death. J.P., Leics., 24 Oct. 1474 till death. To judge from his comns. he *d.* 1489/92.

BERKELEY, (Sir) WILLIAM (1436-1501); of Uley. M.P. WORCESTERSHIRE 1478.

S. and h. of Sir Maurice Berkeley of Northfield³ and Uley (Weolegh) and Stoke Gifford, Glos. (*d.* 1464), by his wife Eleanor; *m.* Anne da. of Sir Humphrey Stafford.⁴

Sheriff, Worcs., 1466-7; pardoned, 6 Nov. 1468, being then called "late of Bristol and of Worcester";⁵ and again by the Readeption govt., 1 Feb. 1471. He was a supporter of the Readeption, added to the Worcester bench and removed when Edward IV came back; pardoned again 1474. He was knighted by Richard III—perhaps at the same time as his younger cousin, Sir William Berkeley of Beverston—5 July 1483; but, unlike him, did not join in Buckingham's rising. Instead he was made sheriff, Glos. 1484-5, probably fought at Bosworth and was attainted 1485.⁶ Pardoned, and his goods and rights restored, 16 June 1486;⁷ attainder reversed 1495,⁸ though in 1504 his s. and h., Richard, was still petitioning Parliament for the lands of his late father which had been granted to Jasper Tudor, duke of Bedford, deceased.⁹ He died 1501.

BERKELEY, (Sir) WILLIAM (1450-85); of Beverstone, Glos., and Christchurch, Hants. Constable of Southampton and Winchester and Squire of the Body 1474-83. M.P. HAMPSHIRE 1478 and probably at other times.

S. and h. of Sir Maurice Berkeley of Beverstone M.P. (1432-74) by Anne (West); *m.* Katherine da. of third Lord Stourton.¹⁰

J.P., Hants, 1474 to Dec. 1483; sheriff, Hants, 1476-7; sheriff, Som. and Dorset, 1477-8 (when elected for Hants); sheriff, Hants, 13 May 1483 till his rebellion in Oct. Constable of Southampton and Winchester and Squire of the Body 1474-83. After the 1478 Parlt. he was granted the manor of Christchurch and the tronage and pesage office in Southampton; and he was exempted from resumption in Feb. 1483, still Squire of the Body.¹¹ He attended with four men on Margaret of Burgundy during her visit;¹² was at Edward IV's funeral; knighted 5 July 1483; and made governor of the Isle of Wight and of Carisbrooke castle, 27 July 1483. But he took part in the Berkshire part of Buckingham's rising and

¹ *Black Books of Lincoln's Inn*, pp. 19, 23.

³ Pardon Rolls, 1471 and 1474.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1468 (m.21).

⁷ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 459.

⁹ *ibid.* vi. 553.

¹¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 200.

² Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

⁴ Smyth, *Lives of the Berkeleys*; but which Sir Humphrey?

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 276.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 487.

¹⁰ *Trans., Bristol and Glos. A.S.* xiii. 251.

¹² *Wardrobe accts. of Ed. IV*, pp. 164-5.

was attainted 1484.¹ However, he escaped and joined Henry Tudor in Brittany.²

While in Brittany, an attainted fugitive, he made his will—William Berkeley esq. (*sic*!) of Beverstone, and of Christchurch-Twynham, dated 4 June 1485, pr. 1 July 1486.³ To be bur. at Christchurch where his father lies, exors. :—wife Katherine, uncle Edward Berkeley, Charles Bulkeley. In a recited settlement of 28 May 1474 he describes himself as Squire of the Body; debts to be paid which are due by himself or by his father Sir Maurice. In a codicil, dated 27 Sept. 1485 at Fulham, after his return, he describes himself as knight and “Councillor of the King’s Privy Council.”³ He must have died immediately before 6 Nov. 1485—possibly before his attainder was actually reversed. Sir John Cheyne was appointed in his place—constable of Southampton, keeper of the New Forest, steward of Cranbourne and of Salisbury’s lands in Isle of Wight. His widow *m.* Sir Henry Grey, lord Grey of Codnor (1444–96) and unsuccessfully sued Sir William’s sister and heir Katherine and Katherine’s (second) husband, Sir John Brereton, 1489.

BERMYNGHAM see BIRMINGHAM.

BERNARD, RICHARD (1440–1500); ? of London and Windsor, lawyer.
M.P. Wycombe 1491–2.

On 14 July 1467, John Snede of London, gent., and Richard Bernard of London, gent., mainperned James and Thomas Danby in Sowerby next Thirsk.⁵ An attorney in an Essex suit 1470.⁶ A Richard Bernard also seems to have owned shops in Windsor in 1460.⁷

BERNARD, WILLIAM (1420–75); of Chichester. M.P. Chichester 1447.

Constable of Chichester, (named second) 1453, (named first) 1457–8, 1459–60.⁸ An elector in Chichester 1472.

BERNEY, JOHN (1420–71); of Great Witchingham, esq. M.P. NORFOLK 1461–2.

S. and h. of John Berney of the same; *m.* by 1459 Elizabeth sis. of Osbert Mountford.⁹

Elector, Norfolk, 1445, 1450, 1453, and on Norfolk comns. from 1450. As of Great Witchingham, he was a feoffee of Gt. Snoring in 1451; pardoned outlawry for not appearing, Nov. 1455, and on the roll, 10 Dec. 1455 (*m.*16). In Jan. 1458 he was pardoned more fully “late of Wychyngham St. Mary, Norfolk, esq., *alias* s. and h. of John Berney esq., late of Wychyngham” (*m.*31). He was cousin to and intimate with the Pastons. On 10 July 1461, he writes to John Paston that Sir Miles Stapleton (*q.v.*) had tried to murder him,¹⁰ and with John Paston he was elected knight of the shire for Norfolk. In consequence of the efforts of Sir John Howard, then sheriff, to set aside the election, both of them were summoned to

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. pp. 245, 273.

³ P.C.C., 34 Logge.

⁵ Fine Rolls, 8 Edw. IV. (*m.*7).

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/283.

⁹ *Paston Letters*, i. 529.

² *Polidore Virgil*, p. 200.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 273.

⁶ Plea Rolls, 1470.

⁸ *Sussex N. & Q.*, v. pp. 164, 165.

¹⁰ *ibid.* ii. 27.

London.¹ He was on the pardon rolls 12 Oct. 1465 (m.5), and 3 Nov. 1468 "alias late of Norwich" (m.24). During the anarchy of Sept. 1469, with Warwick in power and Howard besieging Caister, orders were issued to arrest Berney. On 5 Nov. 1471 Margaret Paston writes to John:—"Yor cosyn Barney of Wychshyngnam ys passyd to Gode."² He must be distinguished from John Berney of Reedham who died 1473.

BERTIN, ROBERT (1415-1465); of London, draper. M.P. Canterbury 1463-5.

In 1443/50 Robert Bertyn, draper of London, sued the feoffees of John and Alice Rollyng for lands in Hawkhurst, Sandhurst and Newenden, Kent.³ In 1448 Bertyn and Stephen Marchaunte, drapers of London, sued John s. of Thomas Knotte.⁴ In 1456 Richard Glyn and Richard Fetiplace, the heirs of Katherine, late wife of Robert Bertyn, sued the feoffees of Robert and Katherine Bertyn for lands in Leicester.⁵ In July 1461 Robert Bertyn, citizen and clothier of London, draper, was pardoned outlawry for not appearing in a plea of debt of £40. And he was dead by 1465, for then Constance, late his wife, was suing the feoffees of Hawkhurst, Sandhurst and Newenden.⁶

So it may be presumed that the London draper married (1) Katherine and (2) Constance, and held land in Kent sufficiently near to allow of his being elected for Canterbury.

BERTRAM,⁷ (Sir) WILLIAM (1410-61); of Bothal, esq.,⁸ customer of Newcastle-upon-Tyne and governor of the Channel Islands. M.P. NORTH-UMBERLAND 1435, 1449-50, 1450-1. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir John Bertram *alias* Ogle of Bothal, M.P. (d. 1449), by Isabel, da. of Sir William Heron, of Cornhill, Nhd.; m. Eleanor, da. of Sir Thomas Kempston, by whom he had William.

Pardoned outlawry for not appearing when sued for debt in London, 18 June 1442 and 19 Oct. 1445;⁹ J.P., Nhd., 9 Nov. 1447 till death;¹⁰ apptd. governor of the Channel Islands by the Duke of Suffolk, 13 Nov. 1448;¹¹ elector, Nhd., 1449 (2), 1450; comnr., Nhd., and for repairs at Roxburgh and Berwick castles, 1451-59 (including the Lancastrian comn. of array, 21 Dec. 1459); collector of customs and subsidy in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 1450-1;¹² sheriff, Nhd., 1458-9; kntd. at Wakefield by the Lancastrian Earl of Northumberland, 30 Dec. 1460.¹³

D., owing large debts to the Prior of Durham,¹⁴ 1461.

¹ *Paston Letters*, ii. 28, 30, 31, 78n. ² *ibid.* iii. 24.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 15/154.

⁴ *ibid.* 17/19.

⁵ *ibid.* 16/623.

⁶ *ibid.* 27/66.

⁷ Arms:—Or, an orle az.

⁸ Described on the Pardon Roll, June 1442, as of "Bothall, esq.".

⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1445), 17, 379.

¹⁰ The next comn. was apptd. 10 Dec. 1461.

¹¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1448), 202.

¹² He is so called on his first two comns., 16 Apr. and 20 July 1451; *ibid.* (1451), 446, 477. Issue Rolls, Hen. VI. Nos. 779, 786.

¹³ *Ex inf.* C. H. Hunter-Blair.

¹⁴ *Northum. C.H.*, xiii. 219; *Arch. Ael.* (2nd Ser.), xxiv. 127.

BERWICK, THOMAS.

M.P. Horsham 1442.

An Alfred Benack sat for Horsham in 1529, but this cannot be the same name. Berwicks or Barwicks occur in the Horsham parish register 1541-1635; Thomas Berwick seems to have been a feoffee of lands in Hants and in Titsey, Surrey, for Sir Thomas Uvedale (*q.v.*). We may conclude that Thomas Berwick was a local man.

BESSINGBY (BESYNBY), JOHN (1420-75/7); of Stagsden, Beds., and London. Yeoman of the Crown 1452-60. M.P. Scarborough 1453-4, (? 1470-1). Lancastrian.

M. Isabel da. of Sir Hugh Willoughby and widow of Philip Boteler.¹ A John de Bessingby held land in Hutton-Bonville, North Riding, in 1427 and may show his origin.

In Feb. 1448 John Besynby of the King's Chamber was made joint bailiff of the water of Wiggenhall and gauger of Lynn, Norf. By Apr. 1452 the King's servant, John Besenby, was one of the regular yeomen of the Crown with 6*d.* a day out of Som. and Dorset, in place of John Pencyok (*q.v.*).² On 12 Mar. 1457 as of London, gent., he was, along with Reynold Wolten of Liverpool, esq., a mainpernor for Henry Spencer (*q.v.*) yeoman of the Crown, for the keeping of Hampsted Marshall. On 23 Nov. 1459 as yeoman of the Crown he was granted the keeping of the lands late of Agnes Fynawns—Stephen Knight of Rochester (*q.v.*) and John Saward of London, plumber, being his mainpernors.³ In July 1459, still yeoman of the Crown, he had the custody of the lands and h. of James Fynawns.

Though he lost his post at Court in 1460, he was still in some service—went to Calais with John Wood (*q.v.*), King's Squire, in May 1463; pardoned 14 Dec. 1468.⁴ From the Readeption govt. he got a renewal of his old lapsed grant of bailiff of Wiggenhall and gauger of Lynn; and, from Edward restored a pardon, 3 Dec. 1471, adding to all the details of his earlier pardon "and Isabel wife of the said John Besynbe," also that "late of Westminster" which may show that he was a Member of the late Readeption Parlt. He was still living in 1475/80 when suing John Boteller for the detention of a bond,⁵ and in 1475/85 when attached at the suit of William Catelyn, mercer of London;⁶ but he was dead and succeeded by Henry Besomby at Stagsden, Beds., by Nov. 1477.⁷

BEST, THOMAS (1415-70); of Southover by Lewes.⁸ M.P. Lewes 1447, 1460-1.

Sworn to the peace in Surrey as "of Catterham," 1434; a feoffee for John Purley in Purley, Surrey, 1439;⁹ as of Southover by Lewes, yeoman, he was

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 66/454.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1452), 544.

³ *Fine Roll*, 35 Hen. VI. (m.7); *Fine Roll*, 37 Hen. VI. (m.15).

⁴ "Late of Stacheden, Beds., gent., late of Bedford, gent., *alias* yeoman, late yeoman of the Crown to Henry VI, farmer of lands of Agnes widow of James Fynawn, *alias* late of London, gent., *alias* manucaptor of Henry Spencer, late yeoman of the Crown of Henry VI" (m.11). ⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 54/285. ⁶ *ibid.* 64/624. ⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1477), 56.

⁸ Southover claimed to elect a Lewes M.P. in every other Parliament.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 9/101.

pardoned for being out with Cade, 1450; and, with John Goring and Henry Hewster, he founded a chantry at Chichester in Apr. 1467 to pray for the souls of William Okehurst, John Okehurst, Cecily his wife, and their relations.

The Thomas Best of Caterham may perhaps be his father.

BESTENEY, THOMAS (1440-95); clerk of the catery. M.P. Reading 1478, 1483 Jan., 1483 June.

He may have been engaged in the unpopular work of purveying in 1470, when arrested for offences at Ware.¹ In 1472 he was arming *le Grace Dieu*; was called King's servant and clerk to the catery, 1473, when supplying the army from the Tower of London;² buying arrows 1474. He went to France in the King's expedition as captain of something in the nature of artillery, for he was paid 1s. a day and for 35 men called "mangonerers" at 6d. a day.³ He was rewarded with the office of net searcher on the Thames, 22 Nov. 1476, and so we may suppose he came to Reading. He entered the Guild, 27 Mar. 1478, after the dissolution, paying at entry 5s. to the Abbot, 5s. to the Guild, and 3s. 4d. for the breakfast.⁴ As he occurs at no other time in the Reading Diaries, except at elections to Parliament, one may assume that his official position as net searcher secured his return.

BESYNBY see BESSINGBY.

BETHOME see BEETHAM.

BETTYS (BEETS), JOHN (1470-1535); of Picardy. M.P. Lynn 1497.

John Bettys, a native of Picardy, was naturalised 28 Apr. 1493, on condition that he shall not colour merchandise pertaining to strangers. This may be the man elected for Lynn, 16 Dec. 1496.⁵ In 1531 John Bettys was one of the justices appointed to try pirates.⁶

BEVERLEY, THOMAS (1420-80); ald. of York, merchant of the staple.⁷ M.P. York city 1459.

S. of John Beverley, merchant, of York; m. Alice (d. 1482), da. of Henry Market, by whom he had five s. and three da.⁷

Made freeman of York, 1440; chamberlain 1447; sheriff 1450-1; mayor 1459-60, 1472-3;⁸ was repaid a sum of money, in respect of wool subsidy, 16 Oct. 1454;⁹ comnr., oyer and terminer, Yorks., 1460 (when mayor).

D. 11 Aug. 1480. Will, dat. 11 Aug., pr. York, 19 Aug. 1480.¹⁰

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1470), p. 251.

² *ibid.* (1473), pp. 389, 395.

³ *i.e.* Mangonels, *Foedera*, V. iii. 57.

⁴ Guilding, *Reading Diaries*, i. 76.

⁵ Le Strange, *Norf. Official Lists*. Not given in *Eng. Hist. Rev.* which puts the election on 25 Oct. 1496, whereas the writs were not issued till 20 Nov.

⁶ *L. & P. Hen VIII*, v. 14.

⁷ *Test. Ebor.*, iii. 196.

⁸ Drake, *Eboracum*, 363.

⁹ The amount was £32 11s. 6½d., being part of a sum owing to him and John Thirsk (q.v.) by the King; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1454), 212.

¹⁰ *Test. Ebor.*, *loc. cit.* To be bur. in All Saints, Pavement, York; mentions wife, das. Isabel, Jane, and Margaret, s. Thomas (who predecd. him), Nicholas, John, Richard, and William.

BEWLEY see BEAULEY.

BEYNEON see BENYON.

BEYNTON see BAYNTON.

BICKERSTETH (BYKERSTATH), JOHN; of Worcester. M.P. Worcester city 1442.

There was a bailiff of Worcester in 1444, and an elector in Worcester 1447, 1449 (1), 1455 and 1467, called "Richard Bykerstath". As there is no reference whatever, locally or nationally, to a John Bykerstath, John should probably read Richard, but in any case he must have been a citizen of Worcester.

BICONYLL, (Sir) JOHN (1425-1501); of South Perrott, Dorset; Customer of London 1455, lawyer. M.P. Shaftesbury 1455-6; SOMERSET 1472-5; DORSET 1491-2.

S. of John Biconyll (dead in 1440), and Jane,¹ and bro. of William Biconyll, chancellor of diocese of Canterbury. The identification of this man depends on his brother's will.

The will of William Biconyll, priest, dat. 3 Nov. 1448; desires to be buried in Wells Cathedral; "to my most illustrious William Carent, a gold cup, that he may regard the poverty of my brother John and take him into favour in acquiring lands." To John Biconyll £240; and he and his sis. Elizabeth to be exors. Prayers for souls of his parents John and Jane.² In fact William Carent (*q.v.*) started him in life as eschr. of Devon (1456-7), and M.P. for Shaftesbury.

He was controller of customs and subsidy in port of London, Mar. 1455;³ mustered Sir Baldwin Fulford's army of defence at Dartmouth, Mar. 1460; steward of the Gurney manors in Somerset, 4 Mar. 1461; an elector in Somerset and Dorset in 1460; pardoned, 1 Apr. 1462, as of South Perrott, late eschr. of Devon, late of London (m.20); J.P. Devon, of the quorum, Feb. 1468; William Carent and John Biconyll, joint feoffees, were pardoned, Oct. 1468; pardoned himself, 20 Dec. 1471, of "Southeperot" and late of Bynlegh in Harberton, Devon, gent.; sheriff, Somerset and Dorset, 1472-3; mustered at Weymouth the army for Brittany in 1475. He was steadily on all comms. for Somerset 1459 to 1494, including all those of 1483-5, but not those of the Readeption 1470-1. J.P. Somerset, 5 Jan. 1479 to 14 May 1494. In 1480 he joined in founding a chantry at Yeovil; had licence to grant Mere, Som., to the dean and chapter of Wells, 1482; had a pardon from Richard III, Feb. 1484, but next year he was kntd. at Bosworth, 25 Aug. 1485. This knight sat for Dorset 1491-2, and died 23 Aug. 1501, when John Brimpton, aged 40, was found his cousin and heir. Lands in Dorset and Devon.⁴

¹ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* iii. p. 360.

² Somerset Wills, *Somerset Arch. Soc.*

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1455), p. 239.

⁴ *Excerpta Byconyllea*, p. 72. According to *Excerpta Byconyllea* there were two Johns, father John and son Sir John. This seems to us untenable. The *Excerpta* gives as wives of Sir John—(1) Jane, (2) Elizabeth da. of Sir Richard Chokke, the Justice (*d.* 1483), and widow of Sir John Seymour (*d.* 1485). It calls him steward of the manor and castle of Totnes by the grant of William, lord Zouche, and says that he was bur. at Glastonbury.

Will of John Byconyll knt., dat. 13 Aug. 1500, pr. 29 Nov. 1501.¹ His widow Elizabeth, *d.* 30 June 1504, "formerly wife of John Seymour". In her will she describes herself as widow of Sir John Byconyll and desires to be buried beside him in Glastonbury. (13 Holgrave.)

This man had many good points as well as the courage to fight at Bosworth. He was a trustee or feoffee or executor throughout England—for Tuddenham in Essex in 1456,² for James Ormond, earl of Wilts., in London in 1490,³ "My brother Sir John" was exor. for John Chokke of Stanton-Drew in 1488—as "my friende John Byconill", for Sir Thomas Arundel of Cornwall in 1485, and Humphrey Stafford, earl of Devon, names to his exors. "John Byconill in whom is all my trust", 1463.

BIDON (BYDON), JOHN; ? King's servant. M.P. Wallingford 1460-1.

In 1432/43 John Bydon of Tongham, Surrey, sued William Frollebury and Richard Weston, feoffees, for lands called Clerkeslond and Hallelond in Shackleford by Godalming, Surrey.⁴ In Mar. 1443, Bidon, a squire, was sent by the King to Bordeaux, Bayonne, Dax and other places.⁵

BIELBY (BYELBYE), ROBERT (1460-1515); of Scarborough, lawyer. M.P. Scarborough 1491-2, (? 1504).

Admtd. Lincoln's Inn, 16 July 1486. Pardon to Robert Beylby (Beilby, Bilbe, Belby) of Scarborough, *alias* of Killerby, Yorks., *alias* of London, gent., of all trading offences before 16 Jan. 1505.⁶

BILLESdon (BULLESdon),⁷ THOMAS (1455-1511); of London, skinner. M.P. London 1491-2.

Probably s. of Sir Robert Billesdon, mayor of London.⁸

He was apptd. to ride to the King at Kenilworth after Lambert Simnel's defeat, 1487;⁹ chosen to prosecute the City's business in Parlt., 1489.¹⁰ Being then a skinner, he was elected auditor, 21 Sept. 1487 and 1488-9;¹¹ a guarantor for various city merchants 1489-91; a warden of London bridge, 21 Sept. 1492-3;¹² nominated for sheriff, 25 Feb. 1490, but not chosen;¹³ a feoffee, being then a stapler, of the church of Alenthun by Calais 1493.¹⁴ A comnr. to search the Thames, 1493;¹⁵ apptd. to treat with the King about the City Charter 1503;¹⁶ last mentioned 15 Mar. 1511.¹⁷

¹ Masses for the souls of his w. Jane, his bro. William and sis. Elizabeth, for James Ormond, earl of Wilts., for William Carent and for Cardinal John Morton. Bequests for his wife's s. William Seymour, a lawyer, and for Robert Roper of Chinnock, Som. He lived at North Perrott, and charged his lands in Devon with the maintenance of five scholars at Oxford. Exors. :—his w. Elizabeth and Sir John Speke (*q.v.*) (P.C.C., 5 Blamyr).

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 448.

³ *ibid.* p. 548.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 9/262.

⁵ *Privy Coun. Proc.* v. 248.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1505), p. 391.

⁷ The family may have come from Herefordshire. Richard Bullesdon, *alias* Bolleston, was pardoned, 1452, as "of Gatetop, Heref., gent., *alias* late of Ludlow, Salop, *alias* late of London, gent." (m.20).

⁸ He must be distinguished from Thomas Billesden (1466-1501), haberdasher of London.

⁹ *Jor.* 9, fo. 150d. ¹⁰ *ibid.* fo. 224. ¹¹ *Letter Book L.* 244, 261. ¹² *ibid.* pp. 267, 277, 289.

¹³ Beaven, *Aldermen of London*, i. 155. ¹⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 397.

¹⁵ *Jor.* 10, fo. 5. ¹⁶ *ibid.* fo. 285d. ¹⁷ *Jor.* 11, fo. 128d.

BILLING (BILLYNG), (Sir) THOMAS (1410-81); of Astwell, N'hants.; Common Serjt. of London 1443-9; Recorder 1450-4; Serjt.-at-law 1453; Chief Justice of the King's Bench 1469-81.¹ M.P. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 1445-6; London 1449 (1); summoned 1459, 1460-1, 1461-2, 1463-5, 1467-8, 1469, 1470-1, 1472-5, 1478.

M. (1) Catherine (d. 8 Mar. 1480), da. of Roger Gifford of Twyford; and (2) Mary Folvyll (d. 1499), da. and h. of Robert Wesenham of Cunington, Hunts., and widow of Thomas Lacy of Granchester, and of William Cotton of Ridware, Staffs., d. 1455. She was pardoned, 20 Nov. 1484.

Billing was a fellow of Gray's Inn; was pardoned, 4 Nov. 1446, as exor. of the will of Sir John Cressy (q.v.); was sometime reader of Gray's Inn, and a friend of the Pastons and of Lord Grey of Ruthyn. He was common serjeant of the city 1442-9, and elected M.P. there Dec. 1448; under sheriff 1449-50;² recorder of London, 21 Sept. 1450³ to 3 Oct. 1454;⁴ serjeant-at-law 2 Jan. 1454; justice of assize, May 1454; then put on the bench for Beds. and Bucks., Cambs., Hunts., Norfolk and Suffolk, and N'hants. King's serjeant-at-law, 21 Apr. 1458; kntd. 1458/60; summoned to Parlt. 1459 onwards.

He probably followed Lord Grey of Ruthyn in changing from Lancastrian to Yorkist after Northampton, July 1460, for he was re-apptd. King's serjeant-at-law in 1461; puisne judge of the King's Bench, 9 Aug. 1464; one of those apptd. on the mint enquiry by Parliament 1467; supplanted the just and independent Markham as Chief Justice of the King's Bench, 23 Jan. 1469; and retained this post as well under the Lancastrian Readeption, and under Edwardian restoration. He conducted the iniquitous trial of Burdett of Arrow (q.v.) early in 1477 for treason committed in 1474, and Clarence's trial in 1478.

D. 5 May 1481, bur. in Bittlesden abbey, M.I. in Wappenham church, N'hants.¹ His s. Thomas Billing (1440-1500), barrister of Gray's Inn, pardoned 1462 as of Astewell, N'hants., was suing for the dower of his wife Margery, da. of Robert FitzEllis in Oxon. and Bucks., 1481/83.⁵ Eight other sons and das.

The verdict both of Lord Campbell and of the *Dict. Nat. Biog.*—that Billing was one of the most sycophantic and unjust of all the Chief Justices, is probably correct. But that a man who took out no coat of arms, whose parentage is unknown and name plebeian, should have been knt. of the shire for 'Tresham's N'hants. is a new fact which requires some explaining. It was Lord Grey of Ruthyn's county, yet even so Billing must have had exceptional ability.

BILT (BYLTE), RICHARD. Lawyer of the Temple. M.P. Guildford 1449-50.

On 2 June 1456, John Cook of Hertford gent., and Richard Bylte of St. Clement Dane's, New Temple, London, mainperned William Okeden as keeper of the lands, late of Nicholas Wodegrave in Chelleswode, Devon, etc.⁶

¹ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, "Sir Thomas Billing". ² Beaven, *Ald. of London*, i. 287.

³ Not 1451 as in *Dict. Nat. Biog.*; see *Letter Book K.* p. 332.

⁴ It is said the mayor and aldermen "were sad" when he resigned. (Jor. 5, fo.196.) On his resignation the City apptd. him as one of its Councillors at a salary of 20s. p.a. They also promised him, while Councillor, an annual present of 5 yards of good woollen cloth called "clothengreigned" at Christmas, for his diligent and fruitful service as recorder at the time of the great disturbance and afterwards. (Jor. 5, fo.210b.)

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 33/144.

⁶ Fine Roll, 24 Hen. VI. (m.6).

BIN (BYN),¹ JOHN. M.P. Malmesbury 1491-2.

John Byn was a juror at Sewardstone, Dorset, in 1461,² and a *James* a Byne occurs under Henry VIII in Wilts.

BINGHAM, JOHN (1450-1514); of Dover, shipowner, Yeoman of Crown, customer of Calais. M.P. Dover 1485-6.

Perhaps s. of John Bingham of Calais, merchant, 1455.³

Apptd. collector of King's rents in Calais, 14 May 1482; mayor of Dover 1482-5, 1487, 1497-9.⁴ Wages were paid him for going to Parlt. in 1485.⁵ While M.P. he was made yeoman of the Crown, his duties no doubt being naval. Apptd. customer of the Lantern gate at Calais, 24 May 1486, exempted 1487.⁶ In July Bingham, Thomas Hexstall and Robert Vincent (*q.v.*), being shipowners of Dover, were paid £107 for ship hire.⁷ He bought a messuage in Dover 1486,⁸ and sued for houses in Walmer 1490. Bingham, with other ex-M.P.s of the Cinque Ports, was apptd. to oversee the "wafters" of the Ports in 1492. He was still customer of the Calais gate in 1509 under Henry VIII,⁹ with John Randall acting as his deputy, but he had ceased to be yeoman of the Crown. In 1512 John Bingham, yeoman of the Crown to the late King, and John Copuldike, gent., usher of the Chamber, were granted the said office of customer jointly in survivorship.¹⁰ They took 4*d.* a sack on wool from all staplers.¹¹

D. 1514. Will, dat. 4 Mar. 1514, pr. in Canterbury Probate Regr., no date of probate.¹²

BIRD (BRYD), ALAN (1420-80); of Newcastle, merchant; Deputy Butler 1461. M.P. Newcastle-on-Tyne 1455-6. Yorkist.

On the 1452 Pardon Roll appear in succession John, Alan, and Richard Bird (m.20). If Alan's father was then alive he was probably John. Alan was sheriff of Newcastle 1450; mayor 1462-3, 1463-4, 1465-6; an elector of Newcastle 1447, 1449 (2), 1459 and 1472. In Apr. 1454 Bird and John Baxter were to levy the subsidy of £20 in Newcastle; in Aug. he was on a piracy comn. at Newcastle; pardoned 24 Nov. 1455, as "of Newcastle, merchant" (m.13), while sitting for Newcastle. In 1458 he was to press workmen for the repair of the castle. Edward IV made him deputy butler of Newcastle in July 1461. As mayor he was on the comn. of oyer in Northumberland in Nov. 1462. In Jan. 1466 certain merchants of Newcastle and their ship the *Valentine* were to be arrested, among others William Bird and Alan Bird the younger. The father was still alive, 5 Jan. 1471, when he took out a pardon under the Readeption government: "late collector of customs and subsidy in Newcastle, *alias* late mayor and escheator of Newcastle, *alias* merchant, *alias* farmer of the subsidy of ulnage." He was dead by 1485, when Jane da. of Alan Bird was wife of John Goldsmith.¹³

¹ The name may possibly be Byng, for there are Byng memorials in Potterne church.

² Anc. Indicts. of K.B. ³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 296.

⁴ Statham, *Dover Charters*, 166.

⁵ Egerton MS. 2107; Addl. MS. 29, 617.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 407.

⁷ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 494.

⁸ Statham, *op. cit.*, 460.

⁹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. pp. 98, 100.

¹⁰ *ibid.* i. 1083-6.

¹¹ *ibid.* ii. 1921.

¹² To be bur. in St. John's church or where God pleases. Bequests to churches; residue to John Copuldike and he exor. (C. xi. f.92).

¹³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 60/166, 64/466.

BIRD (BYRDE), GEORGE (1455-1505); of Newcastle; Customer of Newcastle.
M.P. Newcastle-on-Tyne 1491-2.

Sheriff of Newcastle 1484-5; apptd. controller of gt. and petty customs at Newcastle, provided he write his rolls with his own hand and attend to his office in person, 17 Sept. 1485; mayor 1494-5; on gaol delivery, 18 Nov. 1494.

BIRD (BYRD, BRYD), JOHN (1415-80); of Derby; Keeper of Horestone Castle 1461-73. M.P. Derby boro' 1455-6, 1460-1,¹ 1478.¹

Perhaps s. of John Brydde of Chilwell, late sheriff of Notts. and Derbys., who was pardoned 1446 (m.42).

It is probably he who as John Bridde of "Lokhawe", Derbys., gent., on 4 Nov. 1452 was together with Nicholas Statham of Morley, Derbys., gent., a mainpernor for John Statham of Morley in the keeping of Horestone Castle, Derbys.² In May 1453 John Birde was paid for coming from Derby to Westminster with the King's money, 12s. 11d.³ On 8 Nov. 1453 he was farmer of the subsidy and ulnage of cloth.⁴ He was the first of the two bailiffs of Derby who made the return in Nov. 1459. In Sept. 1461 the custody of the castle and lordship of Horestone, Derbys., was granted to John Lynton and John Bird for twelve years; and John Bride accounts as Receiver of the King's lands in Notts, Derbys., Staffs. and Yorks., 1462.⁵ In Apr. 1470 John Bryde of Derby was one of those comnd. to seize the lands of Clarence, Warwick and rebels in Notts and Derby. He must have *d.* soon after 1478 and a John "junior" takes his place and *d.* 1498 having *m. c.* 1461 Isabel da. of John Agard of Foston, Derbys.⁶

BIRD (BERDE), ROBERT (1415-75); of Eltham, Kent; King's serjt. and steward of Eltham. M.P. Rye 1449-50.

Commr., Yorks., 14 July 1441; exempted for life from all offices, 1 July 1445; apptd. (as King's serjeant) steward of the manor and lordship of Eltham, for life, 26 Aug. 1447.⁷ In Oct. 1449 Lord Saye, the warden, Gervase Clifton, the lieutenant, and Ralph Toke, the steward (?) of Dover (*qq.v.*) specially requested Hythe to return him to Parliament. But Hythe seems always to have elected resident barons, so they dutifully elected Bird under protest 28 Oct. 1449, stipulating, however, that it should not be a precedent and that he must come to Hythe before he went to Westminster and take up and pay for his freedom, and take for his wage not more than 1s. a day. Probably Rye elected him without conditions, for Richard Rickdon (*q.v.*) of Hythe went to Westminster for Hythe in his place at 1s. 6d. a day for this Parliament.⁸ A debt of five marks was owed to Bird in Kent, 1465;⁹ he sued for land in Eltham, 1467/72.¹⁰

¹ Called "senior" on the Return.

² Fine Roll, 30 Hen. VI (m.17).

³ Issue Rolls, Hen. VI, No. 794.

⁴ Fine Roll, 32 Hen. VI (m.21).

⁵ *Exchq. Accts.* F. 2 Edw. IV. E.

⁶ Printed Pedigree in Derby Free Library.

⁷ At a salary of 40s. yearly out of the issues of the manor (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1447, 77).

⁸ Hythe Account Books. E.

⁹ *ibid.* (1465), 411.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.*, 40/124.

BIRMINGHAM (BERMYNGHAM *alias* SPORYOUR), HENRY (1415-80); of Lynn, Norf. (formerly of Birmingham), merchant. M.P. Lynn 1449-50, 1453-4, 1460-1, 1461-2, 1467-8, 1470-1, 1472-5.

With other merchants Birmingham lent £400 in 1450, so that he, with John Stokker and Mr. Thomas Kent, clerk of the Council, could go on an embassy to Prussia. They were to recover the money by exemption of duty on goods sent by them to or brought from Prussia.¹ At the same time he was treating with the Hanse towns,² and he accounted for the expenses of the mission which lasted nearly a year.³ On 23 Apr. 1464 he and Cony (*q.v.*), paid 10s. a day, were sent to treat with the King of Denmark, but got no further than Utrecht;⁴ on 11 June they went again to treat with the Hanse at Hamburg, but failed to obtain any treaty as they knew no German.⁵ They succeeded, however, with Denmark, and that treaty was approved by Parlt., 20 Nov. 1465.⁶ It is appropriate that a maker of spurs should come from Birmingham, represent Lynn, and try to make trade agreements with Germany, while convinced that English is good enough for any foreigner. He was pardoned, 9 May 1462, as "*alias* Henry Sporyour, late of Birmingham" (m.21).

BISHOP, JOHN (1425-90); of Colchester and Springfield, Essex, lawyer. M.P. Colchester 1459, 1460-1.

S. of John Bishop (*d.* 1456/7) of the same.

A feoffee in Essex (as of Broomfield), 1455;⁷ pardoned, 1 May 1456;⁸ his father's lands in Springfield re-settled on him, July 1457;⁹ bailiff, Colchester, 1463, 1468, 1475, 1478, 1482;¹⁰ manucaptor for Colchester M.P.s 1467. Constantly an attorney for suits from Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex, and Middlesex 1450 to 1490.¹¹

BISHOP, JOHN (1410-77); of Taunton, Som., esq. The Bishop's servant 1438-77. M.P. Taunton 1453-4, 1455-6, 1460-1.

Perhaps s. of John Bishop and Lucy;¹² *m.* Alice, widow of John Bowe of Holway.¹³ He was the Bp. of Winchester's reeve for Taunton boro' 1438-77;¹⁴ elector, Taunton, 1449 (1), 1472; appears as Keeper of Poundisford Park, Som., 23 May 1452.¹⁵

D. before 20 Apr. 1477, when his writ *diem clausit* was directed to the eschr. of Som. and Dorset.¹⁶

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1450), 330; (1451) 419.

² *Foedera*, V. ii. 26.

³ *Exchq. Accts.*, 324/18; and *Enr. Accts.*, F. 30 Hen. VI. F.

⁴ *Foedera*, V. ii. 122.

⁵ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 391.

⁶ *Foedera*, V. ii. pp. 131, 134-5.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. 153.

⁸ As "of Colchester, gent., late of St. Andrew's, Holborne outside the bar of the Old Temple"—hence probably a lawyer; Pardon Roll, 1 May 1456 (m.2).

⁹ His father is described as "of Springfield, decd."; *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. 154.

¹⁰ Rickword, *List of Mayors, etc., of Colchester*, 13.

¹¹ *Early Chan. Proc.*, 15/90.

¹² *ibid.*, 16/559.

¹³ Pipe Rolls of Bp. of Winchester.

¹⁴ Pardon Roll, 23 May 1452 (m.30).

¹⁵ Fine Roll, 17 Edw. IV. (m.17).

BISHOP (BYSSHOP), WILLIAM (1410-65); of Exeter, gent. M.P. Launceston 1447; Bodmin 1449-50.

Sworn to the peace in Devon, 1434; a feoffee in Plympton, 1436; a Devon elector 1447 (when elected for Launceston), and 1453; pardoned, Jan. 1463, as of Exeter, gent., a surety for John Sewall of Exeter, "toker", and for Reynold Codag, of Exeter, holyar (m.17).

BLACKBURN (BLAKBURN), JOHN; gent. M.P. Appleby 1449-50.

Not a Westmorland name. In 1450 a Nottingham gent. was called on to answer John Blackburn and Agnes his wife, touching a trespass, and in 1464 a John Blackburn was a juror in York. This man may possibly be related to Nicholas Blackburn, who was M.P. for York in 1432.

Other John Blackburns were tallow chandlers or haircutters in London; one was "of Chelsham, Surrey" and pardoned for being out with Cade. Probably Blackburn hailed from York, as did the other M.P. for Appleby in the 1449-50 Parliament.

BLACKMORE (BLAKAMORE), THOMAS; of Cambridge (?). M.P. Cambridge boro' 1453-4.

He may have come from N'hants.¹ But as Robert Blackmore, clerk, occurs in 1500 in Cambridge boro' documents, Thomas was more likely to have been an inhabitant of Cambridge.²

BLACKISTON (BLAXTON), WILLIAM (1430-85); of Newcastle, merchant and shipowner. M.P. Newcastle-on-Tyne 1472-5.

Sheriff, Newcastle, 1464-5. In 1471 this Blackiston, merchant, held a waste messuage in the close, called the Earls Farm, from Henry, earl of Northumberland, and paid on it 26s. 8d. to the work on Tyne Bridge. Mayor 1467, 1470, 1472-3; alderman 1475 onwards. In 1473 John of the Syde, merchant, sued him on an action of account brought by Blackiston before himself as mayor, relative to the governance of said Blackiston's ship.³

BLAKE, EDMUND (1420-60/1); of Southrey, Norf., and of Westminster, Clerk of the Signet 1450-1; of the King's Works 1451-6; Usher of the Chamber 1458-60. M.P. NORFOLK 1459. Lancastrian.

As King's serjt., clerk of the Signet, he was made keeper of Hadleigh, Essex, 31 Mar. 1450; as "clerk for the King's secrets", he was made constable of Hadleigh in June, and steward of the honour of Richmond in Norfolk, July 1450; and as "clerk of the Signet" he was made clerk of the King's works, 28 May 1451. *Paston Letters* say that Lord Oxford was to be asked to write to "Blake of the King's House" thanking him for his friendliness to the country (*i.e.* Norfolk),

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 22/92.

² *Cambridge Borough Documents*, i. 43.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 48/96.

Jan. 1451, and they call him "King's Secretary", June 1451.¹ Apptd. clerk of the King's works, with 4s. a day and a house at Westminster for his office, "and a great garden opposite, and void places and store houses" at Westminster, the Tower, Eltham, Sheen and Clarendon, 24 Dec. 1451; they added Langley and Odiham and "the King's mews for his falcons by Charing crouch," 17 Jan. 1452. He gave up Clarendon in 1453, but accounts as clerk of the King's works 1452-6.² Blake was one of those commissioned to take the homage of the earl of Douglas, 3 June 1452;³ pardoned, 12 Aug. 1452, "of London, esq. or gent., late of Suthreye, Norfolk" (m.19).

He was admtd. to Lincoln's Inn, 4 Feb. 1455, for a buck and a doe in summer⁴—just as one would enter a club. An elector of Norf. in 1455, and that Parliament exempted from resumption his office of clerk of the works.⁵ In May 1456, however, Thomas Stratton succeeded him in that office. It may be that he was compensated by being apptd. controller of customs at Yarmouth, 13 Oct. 1457. Then or soon after he was Usher of the Chamber also. The stewardship of the honour of Richmond in Cambs., Essex and Norf., was granted or re-granted to him in 1457/8; and he had a general pardon for all offences in Sept. 1458 and Dec. 1459. His one Parlt. at Coventry led to a grant for life to the "King's Squire, Edmund Blake, Usher of the Chamber," of the office of porter and receiver of the Duke of York's forfeited lands in Suffolk. The last heard of him is his appt. to the Norfolk comn. of array, 21 Dec. 1459. As he left no will he was probably killed in the troubles 1460/1.

BLAKENEY, JOHN (1410-71); of Honingham, Norf.; Clerk of the Signet 1443-8, Usher of the Chamber 1449-60. M.P. NORFOLK 1447; East Grinstead 1449, 1449-50.

S. of John Blakeney, C.J. of the Common Pleas, Ireland; *m.* Jane (*d.* 1503) da. of John Townshend of Rainham and sis. of Sir Roger (*q.v.*), by whom he had John (*d.* 1498), bur. at Honingham, Norf. (M.I.), and Thomas.⁶

As King's serjt. he obtained a toll on the carts passing through Marke and Oye by Calais, Feb. 1443; as a Clerk of the Signet, for long service with Beckington, the late King's secretary, he was granted 10 marks a year for life, Oct. 1443; bailiff of Pullion and provost of Leybourne in Aquitaine 1444; receiver of the scrummage of Calais and £20 forfeited by Robert Sherman 1445. This King's servant was one of the five Clerks of the Signet at the coronation of Queen Margaret.⁷ A pipe of red Gascon wine yearly was added to his emoluments in 1446, and £20 yearly from the customs on wool at Ipswich, Apr. 1447; eschr., Norf. and Suff., 1448-9. He was exempted from Resumption 1449-50, as Usher of the Chamber. As he sat on a comn. dealing with treason in Kent in Feb. 1450 it is natural that he was denounced in Parlt. in Nov. 1450. The previous Parlt. in which he sat had annulled a grant to him, dat. 17 June 1447, making him a clerk of the Change and Mint in the Tower; but he recovered this post in June 1452, and in Jan. 1453 he was promoted Usher of the Change and Mint in the

¹ *Paston Letters*, i. 187. The King's principal secretary was *Mr. Richard Andrew*.

² Enrolled Accts. F.33 H. VI. E; F.37 H. VI. A; Issue Rolls, *passim*.

³ *Foedera*, V. ii. 41. ⁴ *Black Books of Lincoln's Inn*, p. 24. ⁵ *Rot. Parl.* v. 319.

⁶ *Ex inf.* Major H. de C. Blakeney. ⁷ *Paston Letters*, ii. 107.

Tower. His last acquisition, as Usher of the Chamber, was a £20 pension in July 1453, but in Aug. 1461 a comn. was apptd. to arrest John Blakeney and Isabel his wife. In July 1462 John Blakeney, again Clerk of the Signet, and Avery Cornburgh (*q.v.*) were called supporters of Thomas Chapman "a man ill-disposed to John Paston".¹ In spite of political changes he maintained his position at Court, for in 1466, as King's servant and Clerk of the Signet, he was given the custody of Eltham Palace. This grant was renewed to him 20 June 1468.

D. 1471; will, dat. 20 Mar., pr. 7 Nov. 1471, leaves all to his w., Jane.²

BLENERHASSETT, JOHN (1410-71); of Carlisle, gent. M.P. Carlisle 1412.

Perhaps s. of Ralf Blenerhassett (M.P. Carlisle 1413) and Jane who rem. Sir John Middleton.

Mayor of Carlisle, 8 Nov. 1440, spelt "Playnrehesset",³ and shortly afterwards the mayor and citizens of Carlisle sued John Blenerhassett, gent., late mayor, for the detention of money belonging to the citizens which should be "dispended" for the defence of the City.⁴ On 24 Oct. 1452 the manor of Orton, Cumb., was liberated to John Blenerhassett as s. and h. of Jane late w. of John Middleton, knt.⁵ Elector, Cumb., 1442, 1447, 1453, 1455 (Mayor), 1467.⁶ On 11 Sept. 1457 John Denton of Carlisle, gent., and John Blenerhassett of the same, went mainprize for Thomas Stanley (Stanlaw) (*q.v.*).⁷

D. shortly before 2 Oct. 1471, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Cumb.⁸ In 1484 a pardon for outlawry was granted to John Blenerhassett of Carlisle, gent., *alias* s. and h. of John Blenerhassett of Carlisle, gent.,⁹ so that he left issue.

BLENKINSOP (BLENKYNSSOPE), JOHN (1445-1503/4); of Helbeck in Brough.¹⁰ M.P. WESTMORLAND 1491-2.

S. and h. of Robert Blenkinsop. An award was made in 1493/4 between Gerrard Blenkinsop (son of John) and his first cousin John son of Robert Blenkinsop concerning the castle and manor of Blenkinsop, Cumbd., confirming to John and to Gerrard his son the castle, save the constableness thereof which John and Gerrard his son had granted to the earl of Northumberland in 1487/8.¹¹ He m. 1469/70 Margaret da. and coh. of Sir Richard Salkeld of Corby, and died 1503/4.¹²

BLIKE, HUMPHREY (1455-1513); of Astley and Alveley, Salop. M.P. Bridgnorth 1491-2.

S. and h. of Richard Blike of Astley.¹² He is called 30 at his father's death in 1491; but already in 1470 he appears as one of his father's feoffees for Alveley,¹³ and we may suppose him to have been born about 1455. He bought a tenement

¹ See note 7 on p. 81. ² See note 6 on p. 81.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1440), 502.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/194.

⁵ Fine Roll, 31 Hen. VI. (m.4).

⁶ The 1478 elector will be his son.

⁷ Fine Roll, 36 Hen. VI. (m.7).

⁸ Fine Roll, 11 Edw. IV. (m.23).

⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 357.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1505), pp. 325, 328, 466.

¹¹ Hodgson, *Northumberland*, ii. 131; iii. 345.

¹² *Geneal. N.S.* xxv. 38, 89.

¹³ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.* i. Nos. 719, 120.

in Warwick 1503.¹ Pardoned 1501 and 1503, as "of Astley, Newport, Counde and Alveley, Salop, *alias* late of London, gent."

D. 9 Nov. 1513, when Piers, aged 18, was his s. and h.² Custody of Piers was granted in 1515 to David Lawley.³

BLIKE (BLYKE), RICHARD (1396⁴–1464); of Astley in Alveley, Salop.

M.P. Bridgnorth 1429–30, 1432, 1433, 1435, 1437, 1439–40, 1442, 1450–1, 1453–4, 1459.

S. of John Blike by Catherine (*d.* 1424),⁴ sis. and h. of Giles Fililode of Astley and Shrewley (Warw.); *m.* Margaret (*d.* 1471);⁵ issue Richard,⁶ and a da., Ellen, who *m.* Humphrey Gatacre.⁷

Pardoned, 3 July 1437 as "of Asteley, gent." (*m.* 15); a mainpernor for John, lord Dudley, 1443.⁸ In Jan. 1441 he was paid for his services at the "late" Parlt. at Reading (Jan.–Feb. 1440) in matters concerning the King's comfort; a similar but larger payment was made to the Speaker, William Burley M.P. for Salop.⁹ No doubt Blyke represented Bridgnorth and helped his knight of the shire.

D. shortly before 3 Oct. 1465, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschrs. of Salop and Warw.¹⁰ His g. s. Humphrey (*q.v.*) sat for Bridgnorth in 1491.

BLOUNT,¹¹ (Sir) HUMPHREY (1422–77); of Kinlet, Salop. King's squire.

M.P. Bridgnorth 1461–2. Yorkist.

Eld. s. and h. of John Blount; *m.* Elizabeth, da. of Robert Winnington (*q.v.*), by whom he had issue; succeeded to Kinlet on the death of the last coh. of Sir William Lichfield, *c.* 1446.

Eschr., Staffs., 1445–6; sheriff, Staffs., 1446–7, of Salop, 1460–1, 1466–7, 1474–5; appears as King's squire 1453;¹² comnr., Salop, 1454–74, in Oxon., 1454, in Worcs., 1473; pardoned treason and other offences (having been with York at Ludford), 16 Dec. 1459; apptd. to apportion the subsidy in Salop, 1463;¹³ J.P., Salop, 7 May 1466 till death; apptd. (as King's servant) receiver of lordship of Acton Burnell, Salop, 20 Apr. 1471;¹⁴ kntd. at Tewkesbury, 4 May 1471;¹⁵

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 28.

² *Inq. p.m.* 5 Hen. VIII, Vol. 28, Nos. 8, 140.

³ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, ii. p. 83.

⁴ *Inq. p.m.* 4 Hen. VI: John Blike of Shrewley, Warw.; when Richard s. and h. was 28.

⁵ 24 Jan. 1471 the eschr. of Salop is to hold an inquest on Margaret who was w. of Richard Blyke (Fine Rolls, 49 Hen. VI. m.23).

⁶ Pardon Roll, 26 Jan. 1471, "Richard Blyke of Asteley, Salop, esq., s. and h. of Margaret Blyke."

⁷ *Geneal. N.S.* xxv. pp. 38, 89.

⁸ Fine Roll, 22 Hen. VI. (m.9).

⁹ Issue Roll, 18 Hen. VI.

¹⁰ Fine Roll, 5 Edw. IV. (m.24).

¹¹ Arms:—Barry nebulée of six or and sa.

¹² When he was released from a debt of 50 marks which he owed to Thomas Herbert of "Morehalle", Warw. (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1453, 79).

¹³ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV (m.19).

¹⁴ During the minority of Francis, s. and h. of Lord Lovell (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1471, 257).

¹⁵ Shaw, *Knights*, ii. 15. In the comn. of the peace, 20 July 1471, however, he is still called "esq.", and is not called "knt." till that of 24 Feb. 1473.

accounted for Lord Lovell's lands in Salop, 1471;¹ elector, Staffs., 1472; granted, with John Dudley (*q.v.*), collation to the next vacant canonry and prebend in St. Mary Magdalene's, Bridgnorth, 9 June 1476.²

D. 1 Oct. 1477; Thomas, aged 21, was his s. and h.³

BLOUNT, Hon. Sir JAMES (1450-1492/3); of Tutbury and Barton-Blount. Lieut. of Hammes; Steward of Tutbury and Forester of Needwood; Squire of the Body. M.P. DERBYSHIRE 1472-5, 1491-2.

Third s. of Sir Walter Blount, first lord Mountjoy (*d.* 1474), by Helen da. of Sir John Byron of Clayton, Lancs.

He was a retainer of Lord Hastings, and while M.P. was put on a comn. dealing with resumed lands, 9 Jan. 1474. Apedale, Uttoxeter, Marchington, Staffs., forfeited by Sir John Delves (*q.v.*), were granted to him, June 1475; next month he went with the King's expedition to France with three men at arms and twenty archers.⁴ J.P., Derbys., 12 Dec. 1473 to 3 Nov. 1475. On 3 May 1476 he was made lieut. of Hammes and there he remained till 14 Aug. 1484. In Aug. 1484 the Earl of Oxford, who had been held prisoner at Hammes, and James Blount the captain thereof, and Sir John Fortescu, the gentleman-porter of Calais, came to Henry Tudor in France. But the captain, because he had left his wife at Hammes, had furnished the same with a new garrison before his departure. The Calais garrison attacked Hammes; Oxford was sent to its relief and succeeded in bringing the garrison and James' wife away to Henry Tudor in Paris.⁵ Pardoned, 2 May 1484, as "late squire of the Body to us and to Edward IV., and late lieut. of Hammes" (m.18). His wife Elizabeth and some fifty other rebels were also pardoned, 27 Jan. 1485. "In vain Richard scattered offers of pardon and restitution among the followers of Richmond; not a man would stoop to pick them up."⁶

Blount returned with Henry, was kntd. at the landing, 16 Aug. 1485,⁷ and made steward of Tutbury and master forester of Needwood, 22 Sept. Sir James and Elizabeth his wife and Robert Sheffield (*q.v.*) and Ellen his wife sued Ellen Delves, widow of Sir John (*q.v.*) for Crakemarsh by Uttoxeter in 1486;⁸ for most of the Delves estates had been recovered by that family in Jan. 1483.⁹ Sir James was made a banneret at the Stoke fight, June, 1487. Next year he had the custody of his nephew Lord Mountjoy's lands, a lease of the duchy lands in Needwood, a grant of Weston by Bulkington, Warw., and was again apptd. lieut. of Hammes. Pardoned, 6 Nov. 1490, as "of Tutbury, of Barton, late of London, late. lieut. of Hammes" (m.31); and in 1491 he was one of the feoffees of the King's will.¹⁰

D. 1492/3, and his wife Elizabeth survived him. Will, dat. 24 July 1492, pr. 14 May 1493.

¹ *Exchqr. Accts.*, F.13 Edw. IV. 1.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1476), 590.

³ *Inq. p.m.*, 17 Edw. IV, No. 23; lands—Heref., Salop, Oxon., Staffs. In his will he directed that he should be buried in Kinlet church; see Weyman, *Bridgnorth M.P.s*, 39. His altar tomb in Kinlet church is in a good state of preservation (*ex inf.* Miss Leighton).

⁴ *Foedera*, V. iii. 57.

⁵ *Polidore Virgil*, pp. 208, 213.

⁶ Ramsay, *Lancaster & York*, II.

⁷ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Walter Blount.

⁸ *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. 34.

⁹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 218.

¹⁰ *ibid.* vi. 444.

BLOUNT, RICHARD (1465-1506); of Iver, Bucks., and Mapledurham, Oxon.,¹ esq., lawyer. M.P. Newcastle-under-Lyme 1491-2.²

Second s. of Sir Thomas Blount by his second wife Catherine, da. of Sir Gervase Clifton of Clifton, Notts. (*q.v.*); *m.* Elizabeth da. and h. of William Delaford (or Forde), esq., of Iver, by whom he had three s. and three das.³

Admtd. Lincoln's Inn, 16 Feb. 1485, when pardoned all vacations;⁴ elected master of the revels, Lincoln's Inn, 1486-7;⁵ auditor 1492-3;⁶ butler 1499-1500;⁷ comnr. for collecting subsidy in Bucks., 1496 and 1504;⁸ J.P. Bucks., 1 July 1500 till made sheriff, and 1504 till death; sheriff, Beds. and Bucks. 1502-3; comnr. gaol delivery, Aylesbury, 24 Oct. 1504.⁹

D. 30 Nov. 1506.¹⁰ Will, dat. 14 Sept. 1506, pr. 11 Feb. 1507;¹¹ bur. in Iver church—M.I.¹²

BLOUNT, THOMAS (1425-67); of Grisby, Lincs., lawyer; customer of Hull 1460-67, treasurer of Calais 1464-66. M.P. Derby boro' 1453-4; LINCOLNSHIRE 1460-1; (? 1461-2, 1463-5); 1467-8. Yorkist.

Yr. s. of Sir Thomas Blount of Burton-on-Trent and Barton-Blount (*d.* 1456), by Margaret da. of Sir Thomas Gresley of Drakelow, Derbys., M.P., and younger brother of Walter Blount, lord Mountjoy (*d.* 1474); *m.* (1) Agnes da. and h. of John Hawley of Grisby, Lincs., widow of Richard Sutton M.P., and (2) Isabel, who survived him and remarried Thomas Bryan, C.J.¹³

Elected for Derby through his mother's influence, 1453—the Gresleys were Yorkist—and pardoned, 20 Feb. 1455, as "of Ayleston *alias* Elvaston, Derbys., esq." (*m.* 7). J.P. Lindsey, of the quorum, 8 July 1456 to 22 Nov. 1458; comnr. in Derbys. 1457; pardoned again 13 Mar. 1460, "of Grisby, Lincs.". When the Yorkists came he was made customer of Hull, 31 July 1460; J.P., Lindsey, 16 May 1461 till death; sheriff, Lincs., 1461-2; receiver of Earl of Richmond's lands in Lincs., 3 Aug. 1461; receiver of all King's rents in Lincs., 26 Feb. 1462; and given Melton-Roos, Lincs., forfeited by Lord Roos, 1 May 1462. All these offices and grants testify to the power enjoyed by the Blount family throughout this reign. He was Treasurer of Calais, in succession to his brother Lord Mountjoy, 22 Nov. 1464 to 13 Dec. 1466.¹⁴ Parliament in 1464 and in 1467 exempted him from Resumption.¹⁵

D. 8 Nov. 1467, when Robert, aged 12, was his s. and h. The custody of the s. and h. Robert was given to his uncle Lord Mountjoy in Feb. 1468.

¹ He purchased Mapledurham from John Lynde esq., 1 Feb. 1490; Croke, *Geneal. Hist. of Croke Family*, ii. 257.

² Presumably a nominee of Sir Reynold Bray (*q.v.*), Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster.

³ See Croke, ii. 254, *et seq.*; M.I. ⁴ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, 81.

⁵ *ibid.* 85.

⁶ *ibid.* 98.

⁷ *ibid.* 120.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 518, 637.

⁹ The comnrs. included Sir John Verney (*q.v.*). ¹⁰ Incorrectly given as 1508 on M.I.

¹¹ P.C.C., 20 Adeane. To be bur. at Iver; 100 marks to das. Elizabeth, Anne, and Elizabeth; 40 marks out of Mapledurham Gurney to wife, reversion to s. Barnabas, remainder to yr. s. Richard; residue to wife; exors.:—wife and Robert Wodeforthe; supervisor—(Sir) Andrew Windsor, M.P. (afterwards Lord Windsor).

¹² Brass, with effigies of himself (in armour) and wife, and marginal inscription, on a slab.

¹³ *Lincolnshire Pedigrees*.

¹⁴ *Rot. Parl.* v. 615; *Exchq. Accts.* F. 8 Ed. IV. C.

¹⁵ *Rot. Parl.* v. pp. 548, 589.

BLOUNT, (Sir) WALTER (1420-74); of Elvaston K.G. (Lord Mountjoy 1465). On Warwick's Council; Treasurer of Calais and of England 1460-66. M.P. DERBYSHIRE 1447, 1449 (1), 1450-1, 1453-4, 1455-6, 1460-1. Sumnd. 1467-8, 1469, 1470-1, 1472 till death. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Sir Thomas Blount of the same, M.P., Treasurer of Normandy (d. 1456), by Margaret da. of Sir Thomas Gresley, M.P.; m. (1) c. 1440, Helen, da. of Sir John Byron of Clayton, Lancs., and (2) 1467, Anne widow of Humphrey, duke of Buckingham (slain 1460), and da. of Ralf Neville, earl of Westmorland; she survived him. His eldest son, William (q.v.), was killed at Barnet 1471; John became Lord Mountjoy; and his third son, Sir James Blount (1450-93), was also Member for Derbyshire.

J.P. Derbys., 24 July 1449 to 3 Apr. 1456, and 8 Dec. 1460 till death. There is a letter to the sheriff of Derby to summon Nicholas Langford knt. and Walter Blount esq. to appear before the Council, May 1454; pardoned 12 Nov. 1455, as of "Aylevaston", Derbys., esq. (m.7); on Warwick's Council, and probably fled with him after the rout at Ludlow, for in Jan. 1460 he is described as a rebel. Presumably he returned with the three Earls in June, and took part at the battle of Northampton. He replaced Gervase Clifton as Treasurer of Calais on 28 July 1460, and accounts for Calais 1460-4;¹ restored to the Derbyshire Bench in Dec. 1460, and was kntd. at Towton or soon after;² added to the Staffordshire bench in 1461. In Oct. 1461 he besieged and took Hammes castle.³ In 1463 he was sent from Calais on embassy to St. Omer, being paid £40 for the same. His colleagues on Warwick's Council in June 1463 were Markham, Danby, Strangways and Wrottesley (qq.v.).

On 24 Nov. 1464 his bro., Thomas Blount (q.v.), succeeded him as Treasurer of Calais, and Sir Walter was made Treasurer of England; sumnd. as Lord Mountjoy, 20 June 1465. As Warwick's influence waned, Mountjoy had to resign the Treasurership to Earl Rivers in 1466. After his second marriage he was keeper of the Stafford-Buckingham lands during the new Duke's minority.⁴ He took no office under Warwick's government—his s. and h. was killed on Edward's side at Barnet, and Lord Mountjoy was made K.G. 23 Apr. 1472.

D. 1 Aug. 1474, when Edward, aged 7, s. of William (q.v.), s. of Lord Mountjoy, was his g. s. and h. But Edward died young, and another inquest, held in 1476, makes John, s. of Walter, lord Mountjoy, to be heir, being aged 30 and more. Will of Walter, lord Mountjoy, dat. 8 July 1474, pr. 10 Feb. 1475.⁵

BLOUNT, Hon. WILLIAM (1445-71); King's Servant. M.P. DERBYSHIRE 1467-8.

¹ *Enr. Accts.* F.1. Edw. IV. 6n.

² *Paston Letters*, ii. 5.

³ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 205.

⁴ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Walter Blount.

⁵ To be bur. at Greyfriars. The bones of his son William are to be re-buried beside him. He leaves 40 marks for the souls of Sir Thomas Gresley and his son Sir John Gresley. Masses for Humphrey, duke of Buckingham, and for Richard, earl Rivers, and for Sir John Woodville knt. His wife was Anne, duchess of Buckingham; and his sons John and James were alive (18 Wattys).

S. and h. of Sir Walter Blount M.P., lord Mountjoy, of Elvaston (1420-74),¹ by Helen (Byron); *m.* Margaret da. and coh. of Sir Thomas Echingham; she *rem.* Sir John Elrington M.P. (*d.* 1482) and *d.* 1483. His das. and ult. cohs. *m.*—Anne, Sir Davy Owen M.P., and Elizabeth, Sir Andrew Windsor M.P.²

J.P., Derbys., 3 Mar. 1467 to 20 Nov. 1470; sheriff, Notts. and Derbys., 1469-70; on Derbys. comns. in 1461 and 1463. On 20 Oct. 1469, while both Kings were in prison and Warwick supreme, the King's servant, William Blount, was made keeper of Kingswood, Glos. But he adhered to Edward IV throughout 1470-1 and was slain at Barnet, Apr. 1471. John Osmond was administrator of his goods.

BLUET, ROBERT (1430-85); of Southampton and London, grocer. M.P. Southampton 1472-5.

Water-bailiff of Southampton 1461-5; bailiff 1462; sheriff 1467; mayor 1471; mayor's lieut. 1474.³ In 1469 the mayor had to borrow from Bluet £7 to balance his accounts.⁴ Pardoned by Warwick's party, 29 Jan. 1471, as "of Southampton, merchant, *alias* grocer, *alias* of London."

During his mayoralty, in the dispute between the town and "God's House" as to the possession of Great Marsh, he pulled down the fences erected by "God's House". Pardoned, 10 Feb. 1472, as "of Southampton, merchant, *alias* late citizen and grocer of London"; elector, Southampton, 1478; in 1480 his son Richard was sued as feoffee of The Dolphin in Southampton.⁵

BOCHER see BUTCHER.

BOCKING, EDMUND (1445-1500); of Ashbocking, Suff.,⁶ esq. M.P. Ipswich 1495.

Edmund Bocking of Ipswich, esq., was pardoned outlawry for not appearing, 1471; coroner 1486-7; elected M.P., 18 Sept. 1495, when it was agreed that he should have wages £1 6s. 8d. if at Westminster.⁶ *M.* Jane da. of John Talmach of Helmingham.⁶

BODULGATE, Sir⁷ THOMAS (1410-71); of Trenchcreek, esq.; King's Squire, lawyer. M.P. CORNWALL 1442, 1445-6, 1449 (1), 1455-6. Lancastrian.

M. (1) perhaps one Jane,⁸ but she may be his wife or his mother; (2) Elizabeth, who *rem.* John Welles esq.⁷

¹ The will of his father, Lord Mountjoy, directs that the bones of his s. William shall be reburied in the Grey Friars ch., London, on the east side of his own tomb (18 Wattys).

² *Geneal. N.S.* ii. 303; xxi. 246. *Comp. Peer.* (G.E.C.) L-N. p. 399.

³ *S'hampton Book of Remembrances*, i. 45, 69-70.

⁴ In 1465/70 a shipowner of Florence sued the mayor and bailiffs of S'hampton—he had been sued by Bluet and John Warde, his creditors, for some alum, though he had sold the same to John Neve (*Early Chan. Proc.* 31/80).

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 52/150.

⁶ Bacon, *Annals of Ipswich*, 169.

⁷ He may have been kntd. during the Readeption, for in 1475/80 John Welles esq. and Elizabeth his wife, previously wife of Thomas Bodulgate *knt.* sued Oliver Wise esq. for Elizabeth's gold collar pledged by Bodulgate with Wise (*Early Chan. Proc.* 66/399). But on 26 June 1471 the writ *diem clausit* was sent to the eschr., Corn., for Thomas Bodulgate *arm.* (Fine Roll).

⁸ Inq. 33 Hen. VI, "Joanna, *quae fuit uxor* Thomas B., *arm. defunct.*"

Bodulgate, senior and junior, were admitted to Lincoln's Inn 1424, therefore Thomas was probably a lawyer. As servant of John Holand, earl of Huntingdon (later duke of Exeter), he was given a special reward in connection with convoy of the King's money to Plymouth, Nov. 1439.¹ J.P., Corn., 20 May 1441 to 26 Feb. 1459; on 30 comns. in Corn. 1442-60, including four comns. of oyer and the Lancastrian comn. of array, Dec. 1459; controller of the King's gold or silver mines, for £20 a year, 1444; partner with John Trevelyan (*q.v.*), for they account together for various lands in Corn., 1441-54; together they were made joint parkers of Liskeard, Apr. 1447, and in the same year Bodulgate was a mainpernor for Trevelyan in regard to land in Corn.² In Feb. 1450 Bodulgate and John Arundel bought for £100 the ship *Edward*.

The Chancery proceedings³ are full of references to Mr. Bodulgate. He was sued for the advowson of a Cornish church; he was sued, with other feoffees, for a manor in Kent; sued in 1452 by Sir Edmund Mulso for the seizure on the high seas of the ship *Mary of Dublin*, carrying her off to Fowey; sued by the merchants of Bristol in 1460 for taking wines out of their ship the *Marie of Biscaye*; and finally, again in partnership with Trevelyan, he was sued for a messuage in "the Tuesday Market" at Bishop's Lynn, though how they came to be in Norfolk is unexplained. Pardoned 1452 as "of Trencruke, esq."; pardoned again with the Lancastrians, Oct. 1455⁴ and 1458.⁵ He was always called King's squire, and on 3 Sept. 1452, for good services on both sides of the sea, he and Thomas Clemens (*q.v.*) were made constables of Tintagel Castle. In May 1455, in partnership with Geoffrey Kidwelly, he received all the issues of the King's avenary in Cornwall and Plymouth.

Under the new regime came a change; on 26 May 1463 a comn. was apptd. to seize Thomas Bodulgate and bring him before the King in Chancery.

D. 8 Apr. 1471, heirs, his sisters, Isabel Roscarel (65) and Jane (60), widow of Edward Coryton.

BODYN, THOMAS (1427-90); of Sandwich, merchant. Keeper of Sandwich castle 1461-71. M.P. Sandwich 1469, 1470-1.

In 1441/2 he was apprentice to Robert Church, haberdasher of London—not "found to school" as he should have been;⁶ still in London 1453. Thomas Bowdyn of London, haberdasher, should have gone with Sir John Marney to Calais, but his "Letters" were revoked because he tarried in Norwich, 12 May 1458. But, 20 July 1461, he was granted for life the office of keeper of Sandwich castle with a wage of 1*d.* a day, likewise verger of Sandwich. He was elected to Parlt. in 1469 and Nov. 1470; pardoned, 8 Feb. 1471, "late *scrutator* of Edward IV

¹ Issue Roll, Mich. 18 Hen. VI, No. 736.

² Fine Roll, 25 Hen. VI (m.6).

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/322, 24/6, 24/223, 25/207, 27/262, 28/301, 53/298.

⁴ "Of Trencruke, *alias* controller of the minerals in Devon and Cornwall, *alias* late of London." Perhaps "late of London" because he was then knight of the shire for Cornwall.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1 May 1458, as "late of Trencruke, late farmer of the castle and manor of Restormel and the manors of Penlyn, etc., and of the boro' of Lostwithiel, *alias* occupier of the lands late of John, duke of Exeter, *alias* Thomas Bodulgate, controller of Devon" (m.11 and 15).

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 29/491.

in Sandwich, *alias* keeper of the castle of Sandwich and verger of the same town, *alias* merchant of Sandwich, *alias* late of London." With the other men of Kent he had a general pardon, 17 June, 1471, but was deprived of his keepership "by reason of his rebellion", 14 Dec. 1471. By Nov. 1472 he was perhaps restored as keeper, for certain Letters Patent of 10 Aug. 1465 to the mayor and barons of Sandwich were exemplified in 1472 at the request of John Aldy (*q.v.*) and Thomas Bodyn.¹ In Jan. 1486 he was granted during pleasure the office of bailiff of the Hundreds of Tandridge and Reigate.²

BOEF, WILLIAM (1405-60/1); serjeant-at-law. M.P. Taunton 1433; Bridport 1435; Lyme 1437; DEVON 1445-6.

A feoffee in Plympton, Devon, etc., for the Earl of Devon, 1436;³ comnr., Devon and Som., 1441-60; a custodian of the lands and h. of Sir William Bodrugan, decd., 1442;⁴ a custodian of Glynde and other manors in Sussex, and of their idiot owner William Waleys, 6 Nov. 1451;⁵ lic. (as serjeant-at-law) to alienate in mortmain to Glastonbury Abbey messuages in St. Sepulchre's, Newgate, London, 1 Feb. 1455;⁶ on an *exigent*—Quatremaine *v.* Coroners of Oxon.—he was counsel for Richard Quatremaine (*q.v.*), 1457/8;⁷ J.P., Devon, 29 June 1458 to 4 July 1461.⁸

BOERLEY see BURLEY.

BOIVILE see BOYVILE.

BOKELLY see BUCKLEY

BOKET see BECKETT.

BOKET, WILLIAM (1440-95); mercer or grocer of Salisbury,⁹ haberdasher of London.¹⁰ M.P. Salisbury 1484, 1485-6, 1487.

Mayor of Salisbury 1472-3, 1483-5;¹¹ pardoned Dec. 1471, May 1485, 1488; elector, Wilts., 1478. He was sued by a merchant of Genoa in 1481 for money owing for velvet and woad.¹² At the 1485 Parliament he was paid 12*d.* a day.¹³ The 1488 pardon makes it quite clear that the merchant of Salisbury was also haberdasher of London. But whether Boket should be translated Beckett or Bucket is more doubtful.

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1472), p. 362.

² Campbell, *Materials*, i. 256.

³ The Earl was licensed to release to the feoffees all his right in the manors, and the feoffees licensed to re-enfeoff the Earl. The feoffees included John Copleston and William Bishop (*qq.v.*); *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1436), 602.

⁴ *ibid.* (1442), 54.

⁵ *ibid.* (1451), 498.

⁶ *ibid.* (1455), 205.

⁷ *Year Bks.*, 36 Hen. VI, 24.

⁸ He was presumably dead by the latter date: the last comn. of the peace on which he sat began 19 Aug. 1460. In 1474 he is described as serjeant-at-law and deceased feoffee of Philip Copleston's Cornish manors; Pardon Roll, 10 Mar. 1474 (m.8).

⁹ Pardon Roll, 12 Dec. 1471.

¹⁰ Pardon Roll, 1488 (m.3).

¹¹ Benson & Hatcher, *Old & New Sarum*, 696.

¹² *Early Chan. Proc.* 60/92.

¹³ Benson & Hatcher, *Old & New Sarum*, 207-8.

BOLDE, WILLIAM. M.P. Poole 1491-2.

Perhaps some sort of royal official. In 1460/5 Thomas Coleman of Bristol sued William Bold for arresting him concerning arms which were entrusted to Coleman.¹

BOLDE, WILLIAM (1415-65); of Canterbury, gent. M.P. Canterbury 1449 (1).

Pardoned for being out with Cade, 7 July 1450;² comnr., Canterbury, 27 May 1458;³ apptd., as mayor of Canterbury, a justice of gaol delivery, 30 May 1458.

BOLEPYT (BOLDEN), STEPHEN; of Temple. M.P. Helston 1447.

In the first Parlt. of 1449 Stephen Bolden of Temple (near Bodmin) was apptd. as a collector for Cornwall⁴ of the 10th and 15th granted by Parlt. We think this may be the man.

BOLEYN, GEOFFREY (1405-63); alderman of London, mercer. M.P. London 1449 (1). Yorkist.

Born at Thornage towards Walsingham, s. of Geoffrey Boleyn of Sall, Norfolk,⁵ by Alice his wife;⁶ m. (1) Denise; and (2), before 1448, Anne,⁷ da. and coh. of Thomas Hoo, lord Hoo (1424-84).

Boleyn was at first a hatter, and was transferred to the Company of Mercers in Feb. 1436.⁸ He occurs very frequently, either suing, or being pardoned, or making loans to the Crown. Sheriff of London 1446-7; M.P. 1449 (1); a London elector 1450; alderman 19 July 1452⁹ till death; master of the Mercers' Company 1454; mayor of London 1457-8. His position may have been due to his success as a hatter, but it was largely contributed to by his marriage, before 1448, with a da. and coh. of Lord Hoo and Hastings. He was contemplating the purchase of Blickling from Sir John Fastolf in 1452,¹⁰ and he wrote to John Paston, 5 Dec. 1460, that he had bought the place "where he built a fair house of brike."¹¹ In 1460 he was sent by the court of aldermen to the King at Northampton to oppose the King's wish that the city should raise an army against the Duke of York;¹² and he was deputed thereafter to communicate with some of the richer commoners about a loan of 500 marks to the Earl of Salisbury.¹³ He was either trustee or farmer

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/351.

² "William Belde, gentleman"; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1450), 344.

³ The comnrs. included Roger Ridley and John Winter (*qq.v.*); *ibid.* (1458), 440.

⁴ Fine Roll, 27 Hen. VI (m.7).

⁵ In 1430 Geoffrey Boleyn of Salle, Norfolk, was owed £40 by John Salle of Bristol, and this Geoffrey is probably the alderman's father.

⁶ See his will and *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1430), p. 90; but Davy (Add. MSS., 19, 191) calls him son of Thomas Boleyn of same by Jane, or Anne, da. and h. of Sir John Brackton.

⁷ She was pardoned on the Roll, 16 Oct. 1468, as "widow, of Blickling, *alias* widow of Geoffrey Boleyn, late alderman of London".

⁸ *Letter Book K.* 201.

⁹ He had been a candidate for alderman once in 1450, twice in 1451, and had been defeated by Alderman Dere with 10 votes to 4 in July 1451.

¹⁰ *Paston Letters*, i. 246, 339.

¹¹ *Ex inf.* Miss S. Thrupp, Ph.D., quoting from Leland's *Itinerary*, ii. 9.

¹² *Jor.* 6, fo. 196d; *ex inf.* Miss Winifred Jay.

¹³ *Jor.* 6, fo. 254; *ex inf.* Miss Winifred Jay.

of the Hoo and of the Saye and Sele estates; on the Pardon Roll, 8 May 1462, he appears as "alderman of London, *alias* merchant, *alias* tenant of the manors of Lord Saye and Sele, *alias* late sheriff, *alias* late mayor, *alias* tenant of the lands of Sir Thomas Hoo, deceased, *alias* Geoffrey Boleyn and Anne his wife, da. and coh. of Thomas Hoo, lord Hoo and Hastings" (m.19).

D. 17 June 1463, when Thomas was his s. and h.; lands—Kent, Norfolk, London, Sussex. Will, dat. 14 June, pr. 2 July 1463.¹

Thomas seems to have died young, for it was William Boleyn, his s. by Anne, who came to the court of Aldermen and acknowledged satisfaction for his patrimony, Mar. 1473. And the same day came John Fortescu esq., and did the same for the patrimony of Alice his wife, da. of Geoffrey Boleyn.² And in 1488 it was Sir William Boleyn, s. and h. of Geoffrey Boleyn and Anne, da. of Lord Hoo, who was suing for the Hoo lands.³ His g. s. Thomas, earl of Wilts., was father of Anne Boleyn. His second da. Anne *m.* Sir Henry Heydon (*q.v.*).

BOLNEY, BARTHOLOMEW (1410–76); of West Firle and Bolney, Sussex. Steward of Bp. of Chichester. M.P. SUSSEX 1460–1.

Admtd. Lincoln's Inn 1428; governor 1434–5, 1441–2, 1445–6; pensioner 1436–7; lent reader 1466; admtd. to repasts for life 1461.

Pardoned, 4 Nov. 1446, "of Sussex, gent." (m.15); J.P., Sussex, 17 Mar. 1444 till death, *i.e.*, no politician. On Sussex comms. very frequently from 1447 onwards, under all parties. He bought West Firle before 1450, when he took out a pardon for the Cade rising "with all his servants." He was "viewing water-courses" near Pevensey in 1455; a feoffee at Bexhill in 1457,⁴ and at Warnham, Sussex, 1458,⁵ also for Thomas Hoo in N'hants., 1467—indeed an almost universal feoffee in Sussex throughout his life. By 1457 and probably much earlier, he was steward to the Bp. of Chichester and bailiff of the bishop's liberty;⁶ an officer of Lord Hoo and Hastings in 1461.⁷ Bolney was pardoned, 20 July 1462, "of Bolne, Sussex, gent., *alias* of Westfirles, Sussex, *alias* esq." (m.16). In 1463 he was apptd. to apportion the subsidy in Sussex.⁸

D. shortly before 2 May 1477, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Sussex;⁹ bur. with his w. Eleanor in Firle ch. (M.I.).¹⁰ Agnes his da. *m.* William Gage and is said to have brought West Firle to that family;¹¹ but sons of his, Richard and Edward (*q.v.*) are referred to in 1465/83, and in 1475/80 John, s. of Bartholomew Bolnay, was a surviving feoffee to uses and was sued for land in Wartling, Sussex.¹²

¹ To be bur. in St. Laurence Jewry, unless he die in Norfolk, when he is to be bur. at Blickling. Masses for himself and for Denise, sometime his w., and for Geoffrey (?) and Alice his parents. Bequests to his sons Thomas and William, and to his das. Isabel, Anne and Alice. Exors.:—Anne, his w., Ralf Verney (*q.v.*), Richard Nedeham (*q.v.*), Thomas Burgoyne, gent. (*q.v.*), and Hugh Fenne, gent. (*q.v.*). His bro., Master William Boleyn, to be Supervisor (P.C.C., 1 Godyn).

² *Letter Book L.* 110. ³ *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. 185. ⁴ *Sussex Arch. Colls.* lii. 86.

⁵ *Sussex Rec. Soc.* xxiii. 269. ⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1457), 370.

⁷ *Sussex Arch. Colls.* ii. 162. ⁸ *Fine Roll*, 3 Edw. IV. (m.19).

⁹ *Fine Roll*, 17 Edw. IV. (m.17). ¹⁰ *Sussex Arch. Colls.* xxiii. 156.

¹¹ *Sussex Arch. Colls.* xviii. 18.

¹² *Early Chan. Proc.* 52/16.

BOLNEY, EDWARD (1450-1528); of Canterbury and Lambeth. M.P. Canterbury 1491-2, 1495, 1497.

S. of Bartholomew Bolney M.P. (1410-76), for Richard and Edward, sons of Bartholomew Bolney, sued for lands in Sussex in 1480/3;¹ and the Tudor government in Aug. 1485 pardoned "Edward Bolney late of Lewes, Sussex, gent., *alias* late of London." In 1492 Richard Lewkenor the elder (*q.v.*), Richard and Edward Bolney and others were feoffees in East Grinstead, and Edward was still a feoffee there in 1497.² He was pardoned, 8 June 1509, as "Edward Bolney of Canterbury, Asshe, Peckham and Chislet, Kent, of Hyrley, Sussex, and of Lambeth."³

Will, Edward Bolney of Canterbury, pr. at Canterbury 1528.⁴

BOLTON, RICHARD (1420-75); of Lincoln. M.P. Lincoln city 1453-4.

Perhaps s. of William Bolton, elector of Lincoln 1442.

Mayor of Lincoln 1465-6; pardoned, 10 Feb. 1468, as "late Mayor of Lincoln, J.P. Lincoln, one of the filacers of the Common Bench in Lincoln, gent., *alias* merchant, late of London" (m.6). In 1469 we are told that the whole community made a great insurrection on Richard Bolton and others.⁵

BOND (BOUNDE), RICHARD. M.P. Portsmouth 1442.

Nothing can be found of him locally, but there was a John Bond, M.P. Portsmouth 1378 to 1381.

A Richard Bond was a juror of Woodstock in 1473.⁶ A Richard Bond was trespassed against in Wilts. in 1436, and the same, or yet another Richard Bond, sued William Mayhewe, fishmonger of London, concerning trespass at Oxford about 1455.⁷ None of these references are sufficient for a reliable identification.

BONVILLE (BONEVYLE), THOMAS (1395-1467); of Newton-Ferrers, Devon, esq. M.P. CORNWALL 1439-40.

Yr. bro. of Sir William Bonville (b. 1393), M.P. Devon 1422, 1427, and yr. s. of John Bonville (*d. v.p.* 1396);⁸ m. by 1419, Jane, da. and h. of Henry Poynings, by Elizabeth, da. and coh. of Martin Ferrers of Newton-Ferrers.⁹ Their s. was known as John Bonville of Shute.¹⁰

Sworn to the peace in Devon 1434; on Cornish comns. 1431 to 1462, including the Lancastrian comn. of array, Dec. 1459, but not the other Lancastrian comns.; sheriff of Cornwall 1434-5; J.P., Corn., 28 Nov. 1439 to 26 Feb. 1459, and 24 Nov. 1460 till death; J.P., Devon, 6 June 1461 till Nov. 1461.

D. 11 Feb. 1467.¹¹

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 36/43.

² *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 1160.

³ A Robert Bolney of Canterbury, brewer, s. of John, brewer of Southwark, was pardoned 1483. This may be his uncle.

⁴ *Cant. Prob. Reg. C.* 15. 19.

⁵ *Lincoln Lists*.

⁶ *Anc. Indict. of the King's Bench*; index at Her. Coll.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/386.

⁸ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

⁹ *Geneal. N.S.* xvi. 168.

¹⁰ *Geneal. N.S.* xx. 88.

¹¹ *Inq. p.m.* 6 Edw. IV, No. 24.

BOOTH, ROBERT (1420-80); of Gray's Inn, and of Stratton, Beds. Doctor of Laws. M.P. Cricklade 1455-6;¹ Westbury 1459.

The pardon roll of 1446 includes Robert s. of Sir Robert Booth (m.19), and he may be bro. of that Sir Robert Booth of Cheshire who was slain at Barnet.

Sir John Fastolf writes to John Berney and Howes, Sept. 1451, begging them to hasten Robert Booth to London (that he may come on to Norwich apparently to conduct Fastolf's case against Appleyard)—so that he was evidently a leading lawyer.² After his election in 1459 he was pardoned with the other ex-Lancastrians, Feb. 1462, as of Stratton, Beds. esq., *alias* late eschr. for Henry VI in Beds., *alias* late J.P. for Beds. (m.47).

J.P., Beds., of the quorum, 1461 till 1475; in 1463 a comnr. to apportion the subsidy in Beds.;³ sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1469-70; pardoned by Warwick's govt., 1 Dec. 1470, as "of Gray's Inn, gent., *alias* of Stretton, late sheriff"; and again by Edward IV, 23 Nov. 1471, with the same description. Described as "Doctor of Laws" he was granted "the house or chapel called 'le priory hermitage'", by Dorchester, Nov. 1473,⁴ and the same year he founded a chantry at Stratton; he helped to found one at Biggleswade also in 1475.

His omission from the Bench in 1475 would seem to imply that he *d.* in that year, but the Dorchester priory hermitage, surrendered in 1477, shows that he was then still alive.⁵

BOREWELL, THOMAS. M.P. Portsmouth 1449-50.

Undiscovered.

BORLASE, Mr. M.P. Launceston 1450-1.

Who may this be? For a whole family of possibles see *Genealogist N.S.* ii. pp. 128-134. But it was probably Thomas Borlasse of Borlas-Burgess or Middle Borlas who died 1484/5, being s. and h. of Andrew Borlase of the same, by Katherine Polsagh. Thomas occurs in suits in 1451 and 1454; and Andrew, the father, was son of Andrew Borlase, M.P. Truro, 1394-5.⁶

BOSON, HENRY (1411?-50/1); of Syerston.⁸ King's Squire 1446-50. M.P. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1449-50.

S. and h. of Thomas Boson of Syerston (*d.* 1424).⁷ Admtd. to Lincoln's Inn 1439; exempted from all office as King's squire 1446; a Notts. elector 1449 (2) when elected, and 1450; a comnr. in Notts., 20 May 1450. He and his w. Alice had a papal indult for a portable altar, 17 June 1450.

D. 1450/1; Will, Henry Boson of Sireston, Notts., dat. 1450, pr. at York, 25 Feb. 1451; to be bur. at Claxton, Leics.⁹

¹ Christian name missing.

² *Paston Letters*, i. 226.

³ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1473), 401.

⁵ *ibid.* (1477), 60.

⁶ See also *The Borlases of Borlase*, privately printed.

⁷ He was 13 on 26 Mar. 1425; his father having *d.* 12 Mar. 1424 (*Inq. p.m.* C.139. 14. 11).

⁸ His s. of the same name was pardoned on the Roll, 14 Dec. 1485, as "of Shireston, Notts. gent., *alias* of Cotom, Notts." (m.7). There was a John Bozoun who was M.P. Notts., 1357-8, and a William Bozon who was M.P. for Beds. 1407-17. No doubt one of the hereditary "buzones"!

⁹ *York Wills*, ii. 216.

BOSTON, JOHN (1435-1485); Yeoman of the Crown and Usher of the Chamber 1474-83. M.P. Bedford boro' 1467-8, 1472-5.

In 1469 he had a grant of the tronage in Boston.¹ In Feb. 1474 the King's servant, John Boston, yeoman of the Crown and usher of the Chamber, was granted the custody of lands of Richard Preston, an idiot. He had been ranger of Melchet, Wilts., with a wage of 6*d.* a day, when this office was granted in 1475 to another King's servant, John Shorter.² Again when the rangership was granted in Oct. 1486, it was granted on the terms "as John Boston, deceased, had had it."

BOTHE see BOOTH.

BOTILER (BOTELER) see BUTLER.

BOTSIDE see BUTTOCKSIDE.

BOUGHTON, RICHARD (1443-85); of Lawford. M.P. WARWICKSHIRE 1472-5.

S. and h. of Thomas Boughton of same, M.P. (1410-70), by Elizabeth da. and coh. of Geoffrey Allesley;³ *m.* Anne Longvile.⁴

Eschr., Warw. and Leics., 1473-4; retained by Lord Hastings; on Warw. comns. 1473 till the array of Dec. 1484; sheriff, Warw. and Leics., 1479-80, 1484 to Aug. 1485 (death); J.P., Warw., 28 June 1482 to 26 June 1483.

D. 20 Aug. 1485, when William was his s. and h., aged 12. Seised of "Lalford and Browneswovere", Warw.

BOUGHTON (BUFTON), ROBERT (1425-90); of Great Totnes, merchant. M.P. Totnes 1467-8.

In 1455 he was made constable of Totnes castle with 100*s.* a year by William, lord Zouch, which grant was confirmed to him during the minority of John, son and heir of William, lord Zouch, in 1468.⁵ In 1467/72 the widow Mayne sued Robert Boughton, constable of Totnes, for misappropriation of money that was to be paid to her by the slayer of her husband.⁶ He was dead by 1 Feb. 1493, when "Isabel Boughton of Great Totnes, late wife and exix. of Robert Boughton, late of Great Totnes, gent., *alias* Bufton, merchant", was pardoned (m.34).

BOUGHTON, THOMAS (1410-70); of Lawford, esq. M.P. WARWICKSHIRE 1453-4.

S. of a Richard Boughton of the Bedfordshire family; *m.* Elizabeth, da. and coh. of Geoffrey Allesley of Lawford, Warw.⁷ She inherited Lawford and they had a s. and h. Richard Boughton M.P.⁸

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1469), 166.

² *ibid.* (1475), 547.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/171.

⁴ *Visitn. Warw.* pp. 78, 83; Dugdale, *Warwickshire*, pp. 11, 12, 99, 100.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1468), 45.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 46/61.

⁷ Dugdale, *Warwickshire*, p. 99.

⁸ *Visitn. Warw.* p. 78.

He was eschr., N'hants. and Rutland, 1440-1; sat on many Warws. comns. 1441-59, including the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459. J.P., Co. Warw., 6 Mar. 1442 to 3 Aug. 1445, 30 Mar. 1449 to 1461; still living in Nov. 1466 when money was owed to him in that county.

BOURCHIER, Hon. (Sir) HUMPHREY (1435-71); of Tatteshall (Lord Cromwell). Chamberlain of the Exchequer 1455-68, 1470. M.P. LINCOLNSHIRE 1460-1; Sumnd. 1461-2, 1463-5, 1467-8, 1469, 1470-1. Yorkist.

Third s. of Henry, earl of Essex (1404-83), by Isabel sis. of Richard, earl of Cambridge; *m.* about 14 Feb. 1456, Jane (*d.* 1490) da. and coh. of Sir Richard Stanhope of Rampton, Notts., by Maud sis. and in her issue heir of Ralph, lord Cromwell, Chamberlain of the Exchequer, *d.* 1456.

In consequence Humphrey was made Chamberlain, jointly with his bro.-in-law, on lord Cromwell's death, 1456; kntd. 27 June 1461, and sumnd. to Parlt. as lord Cromwell. One of the Chamberlains of the Exchequer, 2 Mar. 1456 to 31 Aug. 1465;¹ also constable of Nottingham castle;² J.P., Lincs., Notts. and Berks., May 1456 to 1458, Dec. 1460 to 30 Nov. 1470; J.P., Surrey and Sussex, 16 Aug. 1464 to 15 Dec. 1470; elector, Surrey, though a lord, 1467. He was removed from the bench by the Readeption govt., but he with Sir Thomas Bouchier, lord Berners' s., joined Edward IV when he reached London, and a day or two later, 13 Apr. 1471, he was slain at Barnet.³

Will of Sir Humphrey Bouchier, killed at Barnet, was pr. in P.C.C. (5 Wattys).

BOURCHIER, Hon. (Sir) THOMAS (1442-1512); of Horsley. Sewer to the King 1461, Knight of the Body 1478-83. M.P. SURREY 1472-5, (and probably 1483 Jan.).

Younger son of John Bouchier, lord Berners (1417-74), by Margery (dead in 1484).⁴ *M.* (1) Agnes and (2) Anne. Nephew, possibly godson, of Thomas Bouchier, the Cardinal Archbp. of Canterbury.⁵

In Jan. 1464 this "King's kinsman," being already one of his Sewers, was made Marshal of the Marshalsea. About 12 Apr. 1471 Thomas and his cousin Sir Humphrey joined their kinsman King Edward in London and fought next day at Barnet, where Sir Humphrey was killed.⁶ J.P., Surrey, 14 July 1474 to 5 Dec. 1483, 20 Sept. 1485 till death; and a Surrey comnr. from 1474. He and his uncle the Cardinal had the custody of John s. and h. of Sir Humphrey, being the infant lord Berners, after the old lord's death in 1474;⁷ and Thomas, with his mother Margery and John Young, was exor. of the old lord's will. Elector, Kent, 1478; kntd. 17 Jan. 1478; knt. of the Body; keeper of Pirbright, Dec. 1482.

Richard III made him J.P. Kent, June to Dec. 1483, and he was on a Surrey comn. in Aug. 1483; but he took some part in Buckingham's rising, was removed from the Kent and Surrey bench, though pardoned 7 Dec. 1483, as of Horsley, Surrey. Pardoned again 1484 as s. of lord Berners, of Horsley, also as steward

¹ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

³ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 577.

⁵ Will, Sir Thomas Bouchier, 1512.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1476), 533.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1456), 275.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1484 (m.11).

⁶ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 577.

for Edward IV of Datchet, Berks., and Ditton (m.11). Being one of the knts. whom he had in suspicion, King Richard ordered Brackenbury, lieut. of the Tower, to come to him bringing Sir Thomas Bourchier and Sir Walter Hungerford (*q.v.*). But these left Brackenbury at Stoney Stratford and went away in the night season and joined Henry VII near Atherston in time for Bosworth.¹ Therefore he was restored to the Kent and Surrey bench, made keeper of Leeds castle at a rent for twenty years, Feb. 1486,² and with Agnes his wife had a grant of Edmonton, forfeited by Sir Richard Charlton. Edmonton and West Horsley were still held by Sir Thomas the yr. in July 1486, and he was repeatedly on gaol deliveries. (By 1489 Sir Thomas the elder, of Leeds castle, was dead.) In 1493 Sir Thomas and lord Daubeney were made joint constables of Windsor, and he was with the King in Council, Nov. 1504. J.P. Mdsx., June 1505 till death.

D. 1512. Will of Sir Thomas Bourchier pr. 5 Feb. 1513.³ But was he the elder or the younger, and were they brothers?

BOURNE, THOMAS. M.P. Steyning 1453-4.
Undiscovered.

BOVY, NICHOLAS; of Barnstaple. M.P. Barnstaple 1453-4.

He was mayor of Barnstaple in 1451,⁴ and in 1459 he was a feoffee of John Holman, rector of Heaton-Punchardon, for St. Anne's Chapel, Barnstaple.⁵ A Nicholas Bovy was M.P. Bodmin in 1419. This may be his father, but is not likely to be the same man.

BOWDEN, EDMUND (1430-85); of London, goldsmith. M.P. Warwick boro' 1472-5.

In 1457 Edmund Bowden, goldsmith of London, was sued as a feoffee for a house and garden in Royden, Essex.⁶ "Edward" Bowden, perhaps the same man, occurs in the London Letter Books as a goldsmith 1476, 1479.⁷ On 14 Mar. 1478 he was granted the office of keeper of the warren by the town of Warwick and the custody of one-third of Wedgnock park, Warw., during the minority of Clarence's heir. At the same time a very similar grant was made to Edmund Verney, another London citizen.⁸

BOWDEN, WILLIAM. M.P. Chippenham 1449 (1).

Probably a local man. Bowden is a place name near Chippenham, but *cf.* Edmund Bowden.

¹ *Polydore Virgil*, 221.

² Campbell, *Materials*, i. 312.

³ To found a chantry at Boxley for souls of my late uncle lord Cardinal Bourchier, Dame Agnes and Dame Anne late my wives, for my lord father and mother and s. Edward. Bequests to Leeds, Bromfield and Southwark churches for tithes forgotten. To my lord Berners a cup of gold. Our Lady of Caversham by Reading to have a vestment with garters and Bourchier knots. To Dame Anne my wife, plate and the manor of Halsted, Kent, for life. Bequests to nephew, Thomas Nevill, to godson Thomas s. of Alexander Culpeper, to godda. Isabel St. Leger the manor of Aynesford, Kent. Exix., wife Anne (P.C.C., 15 Fetiplace).

⁴ Gribble, *Memorials of Barnstaple*, p. 200.

⁵ Chanter and Wainwright, *Barnstaple Records*, i. p. 181.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/34.

⁷ *Letter Book L.* pp. 146, 161, 162.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1478), 91.

BOWES (BOWYS), JOHN (1390-1444/8); of Cortlingstoke, Notts.;¹ lawyer, recorder of London 1440-2. M.P. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1429-30, 1432, 1435 (SPEAKER), 1439-40; London 1442.

This Speaker of the House of Commons finds no place in the *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, and we know nothing of his parentage or descendants, when he was born or when he died.

J.P., Notts., of the quorum, 12 Feb. 1422 to 7 July 1423, and 20 July 1424 till death; on Notts. comms. from 1424 onwards; eschr., Notts., 1428-9; J.P., Leics., 23 Jan. 1431 to 20 Oct. 1432. It is clear that he was a lawyer. Speaker 10 Oct. to 23 Dec. 1435; sworn in as Recorder of London 13 July 1440;² Robert Danvers elected Recorder in his place and Bowes pensioned with 20 marks a year, 14 July 1442.³ In Oct. 1441 he was on the London comm. dealing with treasons and lollardries.

To judge from his J.P.ships he must have *d.* between 8 July 1444 and 6 July 1448.

BOWES, THOMAS (1430-79); from Peasholm, Yorks. Clerk of the King's Ordnance 1475, Keeper of the Mint 1476-9. M.P. Arundel 1460-1.

It was perhaps another Thomas Bowes who, with William, lord Saye, Thomas Wynslowe and Thomas Gourley, was sued as joint owner and master of a carvell which had seized two ships of Dordrecht in 1453.⁴ Thomas Bowes was ordered to procure and pay for munitions in the southern counties in May and again in Dec. 1474. He was certainly clerk of the King's Ordnance in 1475. On 6 May 1476, John Wood esq., of the Exchequer (*q.v.*), and Thomas Bowes, gent., were granted the office of Warden of the Mint, and they accounted for it during the next three years.⁵

D. 1479, still holding the office. Will dat. 6 Aug. 1479. Thomas Bowes of St. Katherine by the Tower, London, and St. Cuthbert's, Peasholm, Yorks., one of the Keepers of the King's exchange and money and coinage within the Tower of London.⁶

BOWLAND (BOWLOND), RICHARD (1410-75); of Winchester. M.P. Winchester 1453-4.⁷

Perhaps s. of a John Bowlond who was collecting the bishop's tolls in 1439.⁸

¹ *Feudal Aids*, iv. 135-6.

² *Letter Book K.* p. 247, n.3.

³ *ibid.* p. 273, n.2.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 17/102.

⁵ *Enr. Accts.*

⁶ To be bur. in St. Katherine's, of which he was a brother. Bequests to church of St. Cuthbert's, Peaseholme, in Yorks., "where I was christened." To his mother, Agnes Bowes, £13 and plate. To his bro., Leonard Bowes, "my great bugle-horn garnished with silver gilt." To my Master John Wood (*q.v.*) £40 and a chain of gold. Mentions his niece, Anne Troulop, Leonard's three sons, cousin John Randys, Richard Butler my lover. To his s., William Bowes, £30 to find him to school, and my best primer and psalter books covered with cloth of gold. To my Master Sturgeon (*q.v.*) my best chain of gold. Bequest to John Taylor and his w., mercer of York, if still alive—to Nicholas Bodyn, haberdasher, a mug of gold and a bow. Exors.:—Thomas Holbachè, gent., Henry Wodecok, scrivener, Bartholomew Rede, goldsmith, and Thomas Marlborough. Residue to charity (P.C.C., 12 Logge).

⁷ *Ex inf.* J. S. Furley, from Chamberlains' accts.

⁸ Pipe Rolls of the bp. of Winchester (P.R.O.).

Admtd. to the XXIV, 1440; bailiff of Winchester 1439-40, 1441-2; mayor 1450-1, 1457-8;¹ apparently also bailiff 1476/85;² the collrs. paid 37s. 1d. for the expenses of John Parys (*q.v.*) and Bowland, "*civibus ad Parliamentum*" at London and Reading, and 40s. was paid to them "*pro diversis expensis ad Parliamentum*", 1454;³ 20s. was paid to Bowland "*pro rewardo suo*", 1462/3—probably for business in the interests of the city carried through in London; senr. member (after the mayor) of a committee of eight for negotiating with Bp. Waynflete in a dispute, in the course of which Waynflete had cut off the supply of water from the city mill of Coytbury, 1467.

Thomas Bowland, M.P. Winchester 1484, was probably his s.

BOWLAND, THOMAS (1440-85); of Winchester. M.P. Winchester 1484.

Perhaps s. of Richard Bowland, M.P. (1410-75).

Admitted to freedom 1474;⁴ witnessed a Winchester deed as one of the two bailiffs in 1476;⁵ an elector in 1478; auditor 1476-7; mayor 1481-2. He was one of the richer citizens who subscribed one mark each to help the city finances, 1477.⁴

BOWLEY, WILLIAM (1435-85/6); of Bridport and London, esq. M.P. Weymouth 1478.

S. of John Bowley of Bridport.⁶ *M.* (1) c. 1473 Maud da. of Thomas and sis. of Roger Holand (*q.v.*).⁷ He died 1485/6, when Margery his wife was seised of Higham-Benstede, Essex, as demised to her by William for life. Will, dat. 23 Sept. 1485, pr. 19 Feb. 1486.⁸

BOYVILE (BOVILL), JOHN (1410-68); of Stokerston, Leics. M.P. LEICESTERSHIRE 1453-4; RUTLAND 1460-1, called "of Redlington esq.".

S. of John Boyvile of the same, M.P.

He or his father were comrns. in Rutland in 1439 and 1442. In 1440 the lands of Thomas Walsh, an idiot, were committed to his kinsmen, John and Hugh Boyvile. Sheriff, Rutland, 1446-7; a feoffee for John Cheseldon (*q.v.*) in Leics. in 1448 and 1451; pardoned, 5 Nov. 1452, as "esq. of Stokefaston" (m.14), and on that of 14 Nov. 1455, with the same description (m.15). He must have rallied to the Yorkists when elected 1460. J.P., Rutland and Leics., 16 July 1461 till

¹ *Ex inf.* J. S. Furley. The "XXIV" were the brethren and advisers of the Mayor; they were the senr. and more prominent citizens. The junr. or "low" bailiff was apptd. by the Commons, the high bailiff by the XXIV.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 64/483.

³ See note 7 on p. 97.

⁴ *Ex inf.* J. S. Furley.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 537.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 41/201.

⁷ J. J. Alexander, quoting the will of Thomas Holand, pr. at Exeter Mayor's Court, Jan. 1473.

⁸ To be bur. in St. Sepulchre, London, where he is a parishioner. Masses for self and parents' souls—for John Danyell, Thomas Chawath, knt., Thomas Holand esq. (*q.v.*) and Elizabeth his w., and Maud his own late w. To the church of Bridport where he was born 40s. Lands in Burgate, Bridport, to da. Elizabeth with remainder to the heirs of his w. Maud, and place in parish of Cowick, Devon, to Elizabeth with remainder to the heirs of Roger Holand. To son-in-law William Benstede esq. £7; bequest also to Dame Margery his w. His da. Elizabeth to be guided in her marriage by Richard Edgecomb, knt. (*q.v.*), and Roger Holand (*q.v.*), his Exors. (P.C.C., 19 Logge).

death. He presided over a comn. in Rutland 1463; was an apportioner of subsidy in Leics. 1463;¹ and founded a chantry at "Stoke-faston" in 1466. Almshouses there had been started by Boyvile in 1465, but he died early in 1468 before they were finished. John his s. and h. got licence to complete them, 9 July 1468.²

BOYVILE (BOIVYLE), HUGH (1410-65); of Ridlington, esq. M.P. RUTLAND 1439-40, 1447.

Perhaps yr. bro. of John Boyvile (*d.* 1468);³ *m.*, as her second husband, Alice da. of Richard Christian, and sis. and h. of Richard Christian, by whom he had William Boyvile, plaintiff in the suit of 1486.⁴

Sheriff, Rutland, 1436-7, 1448-9; J.P., Rutland, 12 Nov. 1437 to 25 Jan. 1459; Rutland comns. from 1439 to the Lancastrian comn. of array in Dec. 1459; pardoned 1446 and 1452.⁵ Both John and Hugh Boyvile, in that order, were feoffees in Rutland in 1448 and in 1451. Hugh alone was on the comn. of 14 May 1455 for raising in Rutland a loan for the defence of Calais. In 1463 apptd. to apportion subsidy in Rutland.⁶

BRACEBRIDGE (BRASEBRIGGE), WILLIAM (1430-99); of York and London, draper,⁷ stapler of Calais.⁸ M.P. London 1478, 1483 (June), 1483 (Nov.).

Collr. at Hull in 1462;⁹ trustee for the orphaned children of William Wodehouse, draper of London, 1470;¹⁰ pardoned arrears, with other staplers, 1472; sent with Sir John Crosby (*q.v.*) to Utrecht and Bruges to treat with the Hanse and Burgundy, May-Oct. 1473;¹¹ Crosby's exor.;¹² auditor of London 1479-81; feoffee of Conduit meadow, where Conduit St. now stands, 1491. In Dec. 1482¹³ he was apptd. to talk over city business in Parlt. with the newly elected M.P.s.

D. 1499. Will, dat. 28 July 1498, pr. at Lambeth, 31 Aug. 1499.¹⁴

¹ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

² Early Chan. Proc. 61/230. But according to Wright, *Hist. of Rutland*, 18, 133, he *d.* without male issue.

³ The keeping of Thomas Walsh, a lunatic, was committed to John Boyvile and Hugh Boyvile, esq., Walsh's kinsmen but not his heirs, in July 1440, in place of Sir Thomas Gresley and Margaret, his wife, who was sis. of Thomas Walsh.

⁴ *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. 29.

⁵ He appears on the Pardon Roll of 1446 as of Rydlyngton, Rutland, *alias* of Brynghurst, Leicester, esq. (m.47); and, on the Pardon Roll of 1452, with the added description of late of Brampton, N'hants. (m.31).

⁷ Pardon Roll, 1468 (m.26).

⁸ *ibid.* 10 Oct. 1455 (m.29).

⁹ *ibid.* 3 Feb. 1462 (m.44).

¹⁰ *Letter Book L.*, 88, 109.

¹¹ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 63. On Crosby's death Bracebridge obtained the wardship of his heir.

¹² Jor. 8. fo.160d, *per* Miss Winifred Jay.

¹³ Jor. 9. fo.12, *per* Miss Winifred Jay.

¹⁴ To be bur. in Austin Friars, if in London; in Charterhouse of Sheen, if at Sheen or Isleworth. Bequests for two scholars at either University to pray for his soul. Mentions bro.-in-law Thomas Wodehouse, w. Mary, s. Dan Thomas B. of the Charterhouse, da. Margery Langriche, da. Elizabeth Wotton. Exors.:—Mr. John Ealeston, priest, and Richard Watton, draper. Supervisor—Mr. John Breton, D.D., parson of St. Peters, Cornhill. Written by his s. Dan Thomas in the Charterhouse (P.C.C., 38 Horne).

BRADBURY, THOMAS (1455-1510); alderman of London, mercer; and of Braughing, Herts. M.P. London 1495.

Second s. of William Bradbury of the same, by Margaret da. and h. of ——— Rokell; m. Jane (d. 1530), da. of Denis Leech of Wellingborough and widow of Thomas Bodeley of Devon.¹

He was apprenticed to Richard Rich (*q.v.*);² a feoffee in Berks. 1496. Sheriff of London 1498-9; ald. from 13 Dec. 1502; treated in 1503 with the King for the charter for the City (obtained 1505);³ master of Mercers' Co. 1503; comnr. of subsidy in London 1504;⁴ apptd. controller of the Chamber of London 1505;⁵ apptd. controller of the Chamber and the Bridge 1508;⁶ mayor 1509 till death; auditor 1509-10.⁷

D. 11 Jan. 1510 when William, aged 30, s. of Robert, bro. of Thomas Bradbury, was his h. Lands in Herts., Essex and Kent. Will, dat. 9 Jan., pr. 27 Feb. 1510.⁸ The widow founded a chantry at St. Stephen's, Coleman Street.

BRADFIELD (BRAYFELD), THOMAS (1410-70); of Northampton, dyer. M.P. Northampton boro' 1449 (1).

In Aug. 1451 Thomas "Braunfeld" was one of the four coroners of Northampton. Thomas Brayfield was bailiff 1443-4, and mayor of Northampton 1452-3, called dyer;⁹ again Aug.-Nov. 1461; and one of the XXIV¹⁰ as "Brafeld" 1467.

BRADFIELD, THOMAS (1435-1495); of Northampton. M.P. Northampton boro' 1491-2.

He was elected mayor of Northampton on the death of William Scarnfield about Aug. 1461;¹¹ bailiff 1480.¹² *Simon* Bradfield was mayor of Northampton in 1478.

BRADFORD, THOMAS; of Leominster, gent. M.P. Leominster 1450-1.

Thomas Bradford of Leominster, gent., *alias* husbandman, was pardoned, 20 June 1458 (m.9). *John* and *Walter* Bradford were contemporary electors of Leominster.

BRADSHAW, THOMAS (1400-60); of Derby. M.P. Derby boro' 1450-1.

Perhaps s. of Roger Bradshaw, M.P. Derbys. 1406.

¹ *Ex inf.* W. D. Pink; *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 833 (16); Guy Ewing, *Westmill*, p. 64.

² *Stonor Letters*, ii. 90.

³ *Jor.* 10, 285d.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 542.

⁵ *Rep.* i. fo. 174.

⁶ *Rep.* ii. fo. 43.

⁷ *Beaven*, ii. 20.

⁸ Thomas Bradbury, Mayor of London. To be bur. in St. Stephen's, Coleman St., where he is a parishioner. Bequest to his bro.-in-law John Josselyn and "his wife my sister"; to the parish church of Brawkhyng where born; to Henry and to sis. Illesley's das. Residue to w. Jane and she exix. with Richard Bisshope of Norwich and Richard Broke. Lands in Herts., Kent and Essex to w., and after her death to Humphrey s. and h. of William Tyrell and Elizabeth his w., "my wife's da." Other lands to Denyse Bodeley, da. of his w., towards her marriage (P.C.C., 26 Bennett).

⁹ *Northampton boro' Records*, i. 290; ii. 550.

¹⁰ *ibid.* i. 309.

¹¹ *ibid.* ii. 550.

¹² *ibid.* ii. 559.

Thomas Bradshaw of Rigge was sworn to the peace in Derbyshire in 1434; elector, Derby boro', 1447, 1455; an elector for the county 1447, 1449 (1) and 1455; described as burgess of Derby in 1455. Robert and John Bradshaw were county electors in 1467.

BRADY, RICHARD. M.P. Appleby 1442.

The man is not to be found locally, but a *Robert Brady* was an elector in Westmd. in 1472.

BRAMDEN, STEPHEN (1440-1500); of Winchester, brewer, dyer, fuller. M.P. Winchester 1491-2.

Bramden served a minor office 1465-6 and paid £4 10s. to be excused serving as bailiff; chamberlain 1473-4, 1476-7; mayor 1478-9, 1485-6, 1493-4. He was tenant of the George Inn 1477-94, paying 5 marks rent.¹ In 1467/72, being bro. of the Mayor, he was seizing goods for debt² and bringing vexatious actions.³ He was even accused of usury and the pretended hire of sheep.⁴ A few years later, 1475/80, called "brewer of Winchester", he was detaining deeds;⁵ and bringing action in Winchester on a partially paid obligation 1475/85.⁶ He was an elector and citizen of Winchester 1478; and pardoned, 20 Dec. 1485, "late of Winchester, merchant, *alias* brewer, *alias* of Houton, Hants, yeoman, *alias* late — (illegible) — of the Crown, *alias* malster, *alias* Brampden" (m.2.). In the earlier city records he is often called "doggere" *i.e.* dyer, but in 1492 he was tenant of fulling mills with rack-house adjoining.⁷

BRAMPTON (*alias* FERROUR), JOHN (1425-90); of London, fishmonger. Customer of London 1466-83. M.P. London 1472-5.

Probably s. of Richard Brampton, of whose will John was an exor. in 1460.⁷

John was one of the founders of a Southwark guild in 1449; a stapler who was owed money by the Crown in 1454; one of the two collrs. of customs and subsidy in the port of London by Nov. 1466;⁸ a stock-fishmonger of London in 1468. The stock-fishmonger was pardoned as collr. of petty customs in London, 3 Oct. 1468, again by the Readeption govt., 10 Jan. 1471; and again by the returned Yorkists in Oct. 1471. In both these last pardons he is called "*alias* John Ferroure". When Edward IV fled, Sept. 1470, Brampton was one of the garrison of aldermen and commoners who guarded the Tower and its royal occupant, Henry VI.⁹ He was pardoned as customer of the great customs also in 1472; indeed he controlled both great and petty customs till the end of Edward's reign; for a Lucca merchant sued William Hampton and John Brampton, late customers of the petty customs of London, for failure to find the security promised to complainant for the goods supplied to the late Edward IV by order of his late Treasurer,

¹ *Ex inf.* J. S. Furley.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 46/243.

³ *ibid.* 46/250.

⁴ *ibid.* 37/38.

⁵ *ibid.* 54/56.

⁶ *ibid.* 64/98.

⁷ The will has not survived; only a reference to it in *Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1460, p. 620. There is a John Brampton who *d.* shortly before 15 July 1474. It is possibly this one who founded the Southwark guild in 1449 and he may be the father of the M.P.

⁸ Issue Rolls, 6 Edw. IV, No. 837.

⁹ *Jor.* 7, fo. 223d, *per* Miss Winifred Jay.

the Bp. of Ely.¹ Brampton was, therefore, King's servt. rather than city magnate ; and it is as " King's servant " that Henry VII granted him a £10 pension in Sept. 1485, which grant was exempted from resumption by the 1485-6 Parlt.²

BRANDON, Sir ROBERT (1455-1524) ; of Henham, Suff. Customer of Plymouth 1483, knt. of the Body 1509-24. M.P. NORFOLK 1491-2, and probably later.

2nd s. of Sir William Brandon, M.P. (1425-91), by Elizabeth (Wingfield) (*d.* 1497)—*i.e.* bro. of the standard-bearer killed at Bosworth and uncle of the Duke of Suffolk. *M.* (1) Anne (*d.* 1494),³ widow of Sir John Colville, holding Walsoken, Norf., (2) Katherine who survived him.⁴

The government of Edward V made him controller of great and petty customs in Plymouth and Fowey, 23 May 1483. He may not have held the post, and after Bosworth even Brandon cadets ceased to be petty customers. J.P., Norf., 7 Dec. 1485 to 6 Dec. 1498, 22 Sept. 1512 till death ; J.P., Suff., 11 Sept. 1499 till death ; kntd. 16 June 1487 ; sheriff, Norf. and Suff., 1491-2 (pricked while M.P.), 1507-9. At Henry VII's funeral. Knt. of the Body by 1511.⁵ Banneret at Terouenne and Tournay 1513.⁶ Henham, Suff., was released to him 1510, and in 1511 the forfeited Suffolk manors of Thorndon and Wattlesfield, belonging to the de la Poles, were settled on him with reversion to Charles Brandon esq.⁷ Under his nephew Charles Brandon, Duke of Suffolk, Sir Robert served in 1514 as a Captain in France.⁸ He was probably at the Field of the Cloth of Gold. Comnr. of subsidy, apptd. by Parliament 1504 and 1523-4.

D. 28 Feb. 1524 ;⁹ the Duke of Suffolk, aged 40, son of William bro. of Sir Robert being heir.

BRANDON, Sir WILLIAM (1425-91) ; of Soham-Count, Cambs. Marshal of the King's Bench 1457-91. M.P. Shoreham 1467-8 ; SUFFOLK 1472-5.

Escheator, Norfolk and Suffolk, 1454-5 ; pardoned 28 Oct. 1455 as " esq., late escheator " (m.25) ; and on the roll of 1458, " of Framlingham, Suffolk, esq., *alias* of Southwark, *alias* keeper of the prison of the Marshalsea " (m.15). The " of Framlingham " marks him as a retainer of the Duke of Norfolk, as does his seat at Shoreham in 1467. He was pardoned in Nov. 1457, " Marshall of the Marshalsea ", the marshal evidently kept the prison. He was servant of the Household when the Lancastrians made him Parker of Bermesfield, Glos., in Jan. 1460 ; and he was King's servitor when the Yorkists granted him and his wife, Elizabeth, the manor of Sheer, Surrey, with £36 a year in Jan. 1462. In 1462 he

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 341/503. William Grey (*d.* 1478), bp. of Ely, was High Treasurer Oct. 1469-July 1470.

² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 379.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1494), 11 ; *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. pp. 387, 437.

⁴ *Inq. p.m.* 16 Hen. VIII, Vol. 41, No. 64.

⁵ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. p. 376.

⁶ *ibid.* i. p. 1556.

⁷ *ibid.* i. p. 376.

⁸ *ibid.* i. p. 1172.

⁹ His will, dat. 22 Feb. 1522, pr. 28 Nov. 1524, is printed in Nicholas' *Test. Vetust.* p. 600.

was pardoned twice (m.15 and m.48) "of Southwark esq., *alias* of Soham-Count, Suffolk, *alias* late marshall of the Marshalsea to Henry VI, *alias* late escheator". He was pardoned all arrears in May 1468, as marshal of the Marshalsea and of Southwark. He was not then a knight. Shaw says he was knighted at Tewkesbury, but the Pastons call him knight in 1469 and he is so styled in the comn. of the Peace in Dec. 1468—therefore knntd. 1468.

Brandon and the *Paston Letters* provide a complete royal speech and scene in the veritable style of Mr. Hackett's *Henry VIII*—June 1469, when Sir William Brandon asked the King's favour towards "my lord" (*i.e.* the Duke of Norfolk) against Paston, the King is said to have said "Brandon, thow thou can begyll the Duke of Norfolk, and bryng hym abow the thombe as thow lyst, I let the wet thow shalt not do me so; for I undyrstand thy fals delyng well enow." And also—if the Duke of Norfolk did not let it (presumably Caister) alone—Brandon would repent it "every vayn in hys hert."¹ But Heveningham, Wingfield, Debenham and Brandon were still besieging Caister in September,² and the King himself was in prison; while soon after the Duke took Caister.

Brandon was made customer of Ipswich, 13 Nov. 1469. J.P., Suffolk, 22 Dec. 1468 to 4 Dec. 1470, 4 July 1471 to 5 Dec. 1483, 20 Sept. 1485 till death; elector, Surrey, 1467 when returned for Shoreham; 1478 for Suffolk; J.P., Norfolk, 20 June 1471 to 10 Nov. 1475. He was one of the ten knights who swore allegiance to the Prince of Wales, 13 July 1471; served in France 1475, as did his son also, with 1 man at arms and 20 archers;³ pardoned in Mar. 1483 still Marshal of the Marshalsea, *alias* of Southwark (m.3).

When Richard III murdered the Princes, and Buckingham rose in the west, the Brandons rose too. The sons, William and Thomas, escaped to Henry Tudor in Brittany and one returned to bear the standard and fall by Richard's own hand at Bosworth. The old man was pardoned, Mar. 1484, as "of Henham, Suffolk, knight, *alias* of Southwark, *alias* marshall of Marshalsea *coram rege*, *alias* of Tremley in Colwey, Suffolk." His son, not he, was attainted. Sir William petitioned the Parliament of 1485 for restitution of his office of "Marshall of the King's Bench" of which he had been deprived; since in the time of King Richard he had sought sanctuary at Westminster and dare not exercise the office in person, nor would anyone else dare to be his deputy—agreed.⁴ He must have remained Marshal till death, for he was again pardoned, 28 Jan. 1488, as "of Henham, Suffolk, knight, *alias* of Southwark, late of London, marshall of the Marshalsea" (m.1).

D. 1491. Will, as of Wangford, Suffolk, and St. George's, Southwark, pr. in P.C.C. (46 Milles and 7 Dogett). He married Elizabeth, da. of Sir Ric. Wingfield (q.v.).⁵ His grandson, Charles, was made Duke of Suffolk.

BRAUNSPATH, JOHN (1400-42/3); of Exton, Rutland, esq. M.P.
RUTLAND 1437, 1442.

Perhaps s. of William Braunspath, messenger of the Chamber, M.P. N'hants., by Margaret da. of Sir Robert Harington⁶ and sis. and h. of Robert Harington of

¹ *Paston Letters*, ii. 356.

² *ibid.* ii. 376.

³ *Foedera*, V. iii. 57.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 291.

⁵ *Geneal. N.S.* vii. 161; *Comp. Peer.* ii. 358.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1422), 74.

Glaston, Rutland ;¹ *m.* Juliana, widow of Sir John Colepeper ; she survived him and *m.* (3) Robert Fenne (*q.v.*).

Sheriff, Rutland, 1435-6 ; J.P., Rutland, 20 Nov. 1436 till death ; on Rutland comms. 1439 to 1442, and twice called "knight".² But he was never knighted. The 1442 Return describes him as of Exton, esq.³

He died 1442/3, 21 Hen. VI.⁴

BRAY, MICHAEL (1465-1515) ; of Tremure, gent.⁵ M.P. Lostwithiel 1491-2.

S. and h. of John Bray of same.⁶ With Robert, lord Willoughby, he leased tin mines from the Duchy, being pardoned in connection therewith, 1508. Pardoned again 1509 as "of Tremur in Lanivet parish and of Lanam, gent., tin merchant, franklin."⁶ He left issue Nicholas his s. and h., Robert of Tremure (*d.* 1540), and Patrick.⁷

BRAY, Sir REYNOLD, K.G. (1440-1503) ; of Woking and of Freefolk, Hants.⁸ Steward to Lady Margaret 1465-85 ; Chanc. of Duchy and P.C. 1485-1503 ; Knt. of the Body 1486 onwards ;⁹ lawyer. M.P. Newcastle-under-Lyme 1478 ; HAMPSHIRE 1491-2, 1495, 1497 (and probably in every Parlt. between for Newcastle, Bletchingley, Guildford or HAMPSHIRE—also perhaps 1470-1).

S. of Richard Bray of Worcester, surgeon, by Jane (Troughton) ; *m.* Katherine (*d.* 1507) da. of Nicholas Hussey.¹⁰

In 1458/9, Sir Henry Stafford, yr. son of the Duke of Buckingham, married Lady Margaret Beaufort (1443-1509), widow of Edmund Tudor, earl of Richmond (*d.* Nov. 1456), and mother of Henry VII. From about 1465 Bray was their steward and receiver-general—Lady Margaret's major domo—in Wales or at Woking. The Stafford connection gave him his seat at Newcastle. He may have sat in the Readeption Parliament, for he was pardoned, 4 Feb. 1472 as "of London, gent., late of Woking" (Lady Margaret's manor where she lived during the Readeption and after Sir Henry's death in 1471). Bray remained in her service so far as might be and with her third husband Thomas Stanley, earl of Derby, being a trustee for the lady's dower of 500 marks. In 1483 he was used by Morton, then with Buckingham

¹ *Geneal. N.S.* xix. 247.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1436-41), 249, 505.

³ No reference to any Braunspath occurs in Wright's *History and Antiquities of Rutland*. Thoroton's *History of Nottinghamshire* mentions a recovery between John Moreby and others, plaintiffs, and a John Braunspath the elder and Jane his wife and Thomas Braunspath, defendants, of lands in Dunham, Ragnell, etc., in 1435. John and Thomas and John's son John, all of Ragnell, were sworn to the peace in Notts. in 1434.

⁴ Nichol, *Leicestershire* ; which however is wrong as to his marriage.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1508), 578.

⁶ *L. & P. Hen. VIII.* i. 438 (4.m.14).

⁷ Vivian, *Visitn. Corn.* 54 ; confirmed by *Misc. Chanc. Proc.* 23 Eliz. 4/31.

⁸ This seems to be his only connection with Hampshire, but Freefolk was the inheritance of the Roger family, whose heiress had married Bray's nephew.

⁹ *Dict. Nat. Biog.* calls him "Lord High Treasurer," which he was not. If Under Treasurer is meant, he never held that office either. They omit also to notice that he was a member of Parliament or his marriage, for which see Oswald Barron in *Ancestor*, vi. pp. 2-10.

¹⁰ *Privy Purse Accts. of Elizabeth of York*, pp. 179-180n.

at Brecknock, to acquaint the Lady Margaret with their plans and to engage others ; he brought in Daubeney, Sir John Cheyne and Guildford (*qq.v.*).¹ After the collapse of Buckingham's rising he was pardoned, fruitlessly, by Richard III.² He may have stood aside with the Stanleys at Bosworth, but thereafter rose to power. Kntd. at the coronation, 28 Oct. ;¹ Chancellor of the Duchy and P.C., 13 Sept. 1485 ; keeper of Guildford and Hanley parks, 25 Sept.³—all offices exempted from resumption.⁴ Knt. of the Body ; steward of Aston Clinton, Bucks. ;⁴ and, jointly with Henry Colet (*q.v.*), keeper of Little Weldon, N'hants., 1486.⁵ J.P., Mdsx., 26 Sept. 1486, and for a dozen other counties subsequently, always of the quorum. It is evidence of his honesty and high repute that all called on his services as executor, trustee or overseer of their wills. He was feoffee for the Lady Margaret 1472, for Henry VII's wills, 1491, 1496.⁶ Exor. for John, lord Dudley, 1487, for Avery Cornburgh M.P. 1487, for Sir Richard Edgcumbe M.P. 1492 ; overseer for John Goring M.P. 1495, for Thomas Wyndout M.P. 1500, and many others. He was to serve the King in the French expedition of 1492 with 12 men at arms, 24 demi-lances, 57 archers on horseback, 231 archers and 24 bills on foot, and appointed to act as " treasurer for the war ".⁷ They never set foot in France, but he attended the King when meeting the French Ambassador. And he was at York's creation in 1494 ; made a banneret at Blackheath 1497 ; and a witness to Prince Arthur's marriage settlement 1501.⁸ The King made him Speaker or President of the Great Council which met at Westminster, 24 Oct. 1496. K.G. shortly after 28 Jan. 1501. Henry VII's chapel at Westminster and St. George's chapel at Windsor are his work. It is remarkable that no criticism of him, alive or dead, has survived.

D. 5 Aug. 1503. Will dat. 4 Aug. 1502.⁹ Edmund, his nephew and heir, was summoned to Parliament in 1530.

BRAYBROKE (BREREBROKE), JOHN (1420–80) ; of Lynn, merchant. M.P. Lynn 1469.

Admtd. freeman 1451/2.¹⁰ Controller of the search at Lynn, 22 July 1453 ; and, if there be any difference, " Surveyor " of the search, 3 Dec. 1453—in both cases spelt Braybroke. Pardoned, 10 Feb. 1458, of Lynn, merchant, late controller of customs (m.35) ; a Norfolk elector 1467. He was elected in 1469, but the election was void because the Parliament was not held.¹⁰

¹ *Dict. Nat. Biog.* art. Sir Reynold Bray

² Pardon Roll, 1484, m.11, describes him—" of London, gent., of Herting, Sussex, of Woking, Surrey "—evidence that Lady Margaret was then at Woking.

³ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 61. ⁴ *ibid.* i. 506.

⁵ Palmer's Index to the Fine Rolls. ⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. pp. 444, 510.

⁷ *Foedera*, V. iv. 43.

⁸ *ibid.* V. iv. 164.

⁹ To be bur. in St. George's chapel, Windsor. Bequests to St. George's, to the Friary at Guildford where his mother was bur. Masses for his father Richard. His lands at So. Morton and Staunden, Bucks., Harting and Rogate, Sussex, and Chelheath (Chelsea), Mdsx., to his w. Katherine for life, reversion to his nephews, and their marriages arranged for. Fryfolk, Hants, to his nephew Richard Andrews and Elizabeth his w., da. and h. of John Rogers. Exors. :—W. Smith, bp. of Lincoln, John Shaa, knt., Richard Empson, Mr. Hugh Oldom clerk, Symon Digby, Humphrey Connyngesby, William Cooper, John Cutte, Nic. Compton (P.C.C., 26 Blamyr).

¹⁰ Lynn Hall Books.

BRAYBROKE, ROBERT (1448-1500); of Lynn, merchant. Customer 1471-85. M.P. Lynn 1470-1, 1485-6, 1497.

S. of John Braybroke M.P. (1420-80) of Lynn.

He was admitted freeman 1470, elected M.P., and appointed controller of customs and subsidy there, 12 July 1471. In 1474, in spite of being customer, he had licence to trade from Lynn. He was on a Lynn comn. in 1481, and pardoned, Mar. 1484, as "of Lynn, merchant, *alias* late controller of customs and subsidy in Lynn, *alias* receiver of the 10th and 15th in Norfolk and Norwich, *alias* receiver of the 'imposition' called 'le benevolence' in Norfolk". In Sept. 1484 he became a feoffee of Crown lands near Lynn; and, after the arrival of Henry VII, he, Thoresby (M.P.) and William Cobbe were given custody of the Duchy of Cornwall lands at Rising, Norfolk; 40s. was owed to Robert Braybroke of Lynn, merchant, in 1490.

BRAYTOFT, RICHARD, senior (1410-1490); of Coventry, merchant. M.P. Coventry 1460-1, 1467-8.

A member of the merchants' guild with his wife Maud.² Mayor 1442, 1445, 1452 and 1456. He paid for a tun of wine for Henry VI on his visit in 1456, lived in Smithford St., and his house was a pageant station when the town welcomed the Prince of Wales in 1474—the Prince standing godfather to his grandchild.³ Pardoned, 11 June 1462, "of Coventry, senior, merchant, *alias* exor. of the will of Mr. Thos. Chesterfield, B.A., canon of Lichfield" (m.20). Living 1488.⁴

BRECKNOCK (BREKENOK), JOHN (1405-76); of Horsenden, Bucks. Clerk of controlment of Household 1436-55, Treasurer of Household 1455-8. M.P. Downton 1447.

He had dealings with the Lombard bankers in London, 1426. Sworn to the peace in Bucks. 1434; on Bucks. comns. from 1435, excluding the Lancastrian arrays of 1459-60, but including the Readeption comn. of Oct. 1470; sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1440-1; J.P., Bucks., 20 Aug. 1446 to 1471. He was already clerk of the controlment of the Household when made feodary of the honor of Richmond, 28 Nov. 1436. This was regranted him in 1438, but surrendered 1439, though he was granted the sherifftourn and view of frankpledge throughout the honor in 1438. He was still clerk as before in 1440 when granted 5 messuages in St. Stephen's by Walbrook. In Aug. 1444 Brecknock and Everston, clerks of the Household, were paid the wages for a vast retinue (five barons and baronesses, 17 knights, 65 esquires, and 174 valets) who were to fetch Margaret of Anjou from France;⁵ and their accounts for the same are enrolled.⁶ Miss Strickland⁷ says that she got from Rev. G. C. Tomlinson the "Breknoke Computus", "curious MS. accounts of the clerk of the comptroller of Q. Margaret's household", which may be the same as shown in *Enrolled Accounts*. This gives a diary of the last three weeks of Margaret's journey to England and after her landing

¹ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 80.

² Coventry Guild MSS. f.109.

³ Coventry Leet Bk., 392.

⁴ *ibid.* 533.

⁵ Devon, *Issues*, 449.

⁶ *Enr. Accts.* F. 26 Hen. VI. E.

⁷ Strickland, *Lives of the Queens*, i. 544.

in the winter of 1444/5. After the marriage, Brecknock accounts for the Duchy of Cornwall, probably the Queen's appanage, 1445 and 1456.¹ So he sat for Downton in 1447, and on 3 May 1447 was granted for life the bailiwy of Princes Risborough; also made assessor of the Duchy lands, 9 July 1448. But he was not exempted in the Resumption of 1450. An elector, Bucks., 1449 (Nov.), 1453, always "esquire"; pardoned 20 June 1452.² He was still clerk of the controlment, and allowed one yeoman to attend on him, in the King's reduced establishment of 1454.³ He was one of those granted pontage to repair the great bridge of Staines, 20 Oct. 1455; and had licence to found a chantry there, 17 Mar. 1456. The Issue Rolls, which till then call him a clerk of the Household,⁴ style him keeper of the King's wardrobe, 15 July 1456,⁵ and treasurer of the Household also from 30 May 1457.⁶ On 21 July 1456 he was granted money for the expenses of the Household as from Mich. 1455.⁷

He was evidently York's nominee as treasurer; still treasurer, 5 July 1458,⁸ but replaced by Tuddenham (*q.v.*) by 30 Oct. 1458. The manor of Wyrardisbury, Bucks., was committed to David and John Brecknock to farm, 15 Mar. 1455,⁹ and the farm rent made over to Eton college 1457. Pardoned by Lancastrians, 2 Mar. 1459, as "of Horsenden, Bucks., esq., *alias* J.P., Bucks." (m.16). He needed no pardon in 1462, for Wyrardisbury was regranted to him, 29 Oct. 1463, because "by advice of the King's father and others of the blood" he had been apptd. treasurer of the Household of Henry VI, and was charged with 10,000 marks for expenses of the same for which he had no payment save Letters Patent and assignment by tallies now invalid and has sold all his jewels and a great part of his lands and is still indebted to divers persons in £1,200.⁹ Pardoned, 15 July 1468, "of Wyrardisbury, late of Horsynden, late Treasurer of Household to Henry VI" (m.29). But he is described as "of Horsingdon", 28 Nov. 1474.

D. 1 Sept. 1476; heirs das. Agnes (48) and Margaret (40); lands in Herts., Beds., Bucks.¹⁰ Horsenden, Bucks., was settled in 1442, presumably on a da.'s marriage, and released in 1462 to John Leynham, who had *m.* Margaret. Sir William Lucy (*d.* 1492) of Charlcot (*q.v.*) seems also to have *m.* Margaret.¹¹

BREE (ABREE), WILLIAM (1460-1515); of Berypper and Treswithian, Corn.; tin merchant, lawyer. M.P. Plymouth 1495, 1497.

Brea or Bree is in Cornwall. He was an attorney in suits from Cornwall, Devon, Somerset, 1490;¹² pardoned, 1509, as "William Bree *alias* Abree, *alias* Bre, of Berypper, or Treswethen, Cornwall, tin merchant, *alias* yeoman, *alias* s. and h. of John Bree".

BRENT, ROGER (1435-87); ald. of Canterbury, lawyer. M.P. Canterbury 1461-2, 1463-5, 1467-8, 1472-5, 1478, 1483 (Jan.), 1484, 1485-6. Yorkist.

He was an elector in Kent in 1460 and, with John and Robert Brent, perhaps his sons, in 1478. An attorney in Kent on the Plea Roll of 1460; on comms. in

¹ *Emr. Accts.* 26 Hen. VI. E; F. 1 Edw. IV. 1.

² As of Horsynden, Bucks. (m.13).

⁴ Issue Rolls, Nos. 753, 755, 757.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1457), 417.

¹⁰ *Inq. p.m.* 16 Edw. IV. No. 17.

³ Devon, *Issues*, 449.

⁵ *ibid.* No. 807.

⁸ *ibid.* (1458), 432.

¹¹ Lipscomb, *Bucks.*

⁶ *ibid.* No. 810.

⁹ *ibid.* (1463), 289.

¹² Plea Rolls, 1490.

Kent from 1463 onwards, excluding the Radeption but including all of Richard III; deputy sheriff of Kent in 1470;¹ mayor of Canterbury 1471, 1472, 1473/4, 1476 when alderman.² He was made protonotary of the Common Bench by Sir John Fogge (*q.v.*), the keeper of the Rolls of the King's Bench, 15 June 1472, in succession to William Cumberford (*q.v.*).³ J.P., Kent, of the quorum, 18 Nov. 1481 to 5 Dec. 1483, and 17 July 1484 till death; frequently employed on business for the city in London; the city paid his wages for Parlt.; paid for his giving of breakfasts, generally with Master Fyneux and the Hawtes.⁴ While M.P. in 1484 he took out a pardon for himself, 24 Feb. 1484, "of Canterbury, gent., *alias* late of London, *alias* esq., *alias* late eschr. of Canterbury, *alias* late mayor, *alias* late J.P. Kent" (m.1).

D. 1487. Will, of Roger Brent of Canterbury, gent., dat. 24 Feb., pr. 31 Oct. 1487.⁵ He held Shelford near Sturry and Dungeon by Canterbury.⁶

BREWES, ROBERT (1440-1513); of Little Wenham, Suff., lawyer.⁷ M.P. Dunwich 1478.

S. of Sir Thomas Brewes of Akenham, Suff., M.P. (1406-82), by Elizabeth (Debenham); *m.* Katherine da. of Sir John Wingfield M.P.⁸ John Paston M.P. married Brewes' sister Margery.

Admtd. Lincoln's Inn 1476; pardoned, Feb. 1484, as "of Suffolk, gent."; and, for good service to Richard III and to Richard, Duke of York, he was granted a pension of £10 a year out of Ipswich, 4 Mar. 1484.⁹ On a comn. to repair Cambridge colleges in Aug. 1484; J.P., Norfolk, 6 Feb. 1503 till death. Obtained a reversal of the attainder of Sir Gilbert Debenham in order to succeed to his mother's lands, 11 May 1504.¹⁰ Pardoned as s. and h. of Thomas Brewes and exor. of the will of Elizabeth Brewes, widow, 1509.¹¹ D. 7 Nov. 1513.⁸

BREWES, Sir THOMAS (1406-1482); of Akenham, Suffolk, and Stinton, Norfolk. M.P. SUFFOLK 1435, 1445-6, 1467-8.

S. and h. of Sir Robert Brewes of same (*d.* 1424), by Elizabeth, da. of Sir Miles Stapleton of Bedale, Yorks., and Ingham, Norf.; *m.* (1) Mary da. of John s. and h. apparent of Sir William Calthorpe of Burnham Thorpe; and (2) by 1440

¹ *Year Book*, 49 *Hen. VI.* (Selden Soc.) xxv.

² Hasted, *Kent*, xi, 206; *Hist. MSS. Comm.* ix. App. I.

³ *Year Book ut supra*. xviii.

⁴ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* ix. App. I.

⁵ To be bur. in All Saints, Canterbury. His house in Canterbury to wife Lettice and her heirs. To the community of Canterbury, the Stone House in All Saints parish. All other houses and lands, jewels, silver and chattels to Lettice charged with 350 marks for his soul. Exors. :—his w., Lettice, John Nethersole, and John Carlyll; Supervisor—Thomas Attewood, mayor of Canterbury (P.C.C., 5 Milles).

⁶ Hasted, *Kent*.

⁷ A Robert Brewes was constable of Winchester 1461 and after 1471; attainted 1484 for rising in Kent; attainder reversed 1485. It seems impossible that this could be the man pensioned in Mar. 1484 for good service to the King and his father. On the other hand, how could a man who entered Lincoln's Inn in 1476 have served the Duke of York who died 1460? (*Rot. Parl.* v. 548; vi. 245, 273).

⁸ *Fragmenta Geneal.* Vol. 8.

⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 379.

¹⁰ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 549.

¹¹ Pardon Roll, 1509.

Elizabeth da. of Gilbert (and eventual heir of her bro. Sir Gilbert) Debenham of Wenham (*q.v.*).¹

Sheriff, Norfolk and Suffolk, 1438-9, 1442-3; J.P., Suffolk, 10 July 1454 to 4 Dec. 1470, 13 Dec. 1473 till death; elector, Suffolk, 1449 (2), 1450, 1459; on many Suffolk comns. including the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459 and the Readeption comn. of Nov. 1470. In Mar. 1447 he and his wife had an indult to choose their confessor.² He was pardoned, 1 Feb. 1458, "of Fresyngfeld, Sussex, esq." (m.37); and, 3 Nov. 1468, "of Wetyngham, Suffolk, knt., and Elizabeth his wife, *alias* late of Tepcroft, Norfolk" (m.21). Apportioner of subsidy in Suffolk 1463; knighted at Queen Elizabeth's coronation, 26 May 1465; "late" escheator of Norfolk and Suffolk 1475/85; and on the Duke of Suffolk's council 1476.

D. 17 June 1482, bur. at Woodbridge Priory.³ By his first wife he had sons, William (*d.* 1490), and Giles, and a daughter Margaret who *m.* William Harcourt. By his second wife he had Robert Brewes, M.P. Dunwich in 1478, and Margery, who *m.* John Paston in 1477.⁴

BREYNTON, JOHN (1460-1527); of Sugwas, Heref., and of London, lawyer. M.P. HEREFORDSHIRE 1491-2.

S. of Thomas Breynton of Hereford M.P. (1425-94); *m.* Sybil (*d.* 1535) da. and coh. of Simon Milborne.⁵

He was granted for life the feodary of the lordship of Fownhope, Heref., 22 Nov. 1485, and exempted from resumption thereof by that Parliament.⁶ With his father he was a feoffee in Hereford city for John Chippenham 1482 and 1491;⁷ on gaol delivery comns. in Hereford 1490 to 1512; J.P., Herefordshire, 24 Feb. 1496 till death. In 1497 he granted his house in Wellington, Heref., to Jane widow of Thomas Restard for life;⁸ and the lands late of Thomas Restard of Wellington were quit-claimed to him by John Leyntall in 1497.⁹ A subsidy comnr. 1496, 1504,¹⁰ 1523;¹¹ gaol delivery, Worcester, 1501; pardoned 26 Jan. 1510 as of Sugwas, Heref., etc.¹²

D. 11 Apr. 1527, when Simon, aged 30, was his s. and h.; lands—Heref.¹³

BREYNTON, THOMAS (1425-94); of Hereford, lawyer. M.P. Hereford city 1449-50.

Perhaps s. of George Breynton, mayor of Hereford 1430-4. But Thomas had seisin in 1447 of lands in Hereford city settled by William Breynton.¹⁴

Elector, Hereford city, 1459; J.P. of the city, 28 Apr. 1459; mayor 1462-3, 1465-6, 1470-1. He was to supervise the expenditure on the repair of the city walls 1467; on very many Heref. comns. from July 1471, including all those of 1483-4; J.P., Heref., of the quorum, 6 Dec. 1470 (under the Readeption) till

¹ *History XIII.* 314; art. by Miss W. I. Haward. ² *Cal. Pap. Regs.* (1447), p. 303.

³ *Comp. Peer.* ii. 306. ⁴ *Paston Letters*, iii. 168 etc. ⁵ W. R. Williams, *Heref. M.P.s.*

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 359. ⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 56; vi. p. 353. ⁸ *ibid.* p. 381.

⁹ *ibid.* p. 438. ¹⁰ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 518; vi. 542. ¹¹ *Let. & Pap. Hen. VIII.* iii. p. 1457.

¹² As "of Sugwis, Heref., and London, gent., *alias* esq., *alias* s. and h. of Thos. B. and executor and administrator of his lands, *alias* tenant of the Manor of Eton Gamage, Heref., which was of Ric. Hakkeluyt, esq., s. and h. of Henry Hakkeluyt esq." (*Let. & Pap. Hen. VIII.* i. 438, 2.m.27). ¹³ *Inq. p.m.* 19 Hen. VIII, No. 94. ¹⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 366.

death; a feoffee of Stourton's chantry at Lugwardine 1474-8; one of the XII at Hereford, 1472, 1478;¹ eschr., Heref. and the Marches, 1479-80, 1485-6 (when called the elder); on comns. of oyer and terminer in 1479, and on all Heref. and Leominster gaol delivery comns.—whence probably a lawyer.

D., to judge from his comns., 1493/5. He was joined as a feoffee in Heref. by John Breynton 1482,² probably his son (1460-1527), M.P. for Hereford county.

BRIDGE (BRUGGE), GILES (1396-1467); of Cubberley, Glos., and Fownhope, Heref., esq. M.P. GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1431, 1455-6.

He was born at Haresfield, Glos., yr. s. of Thomas Bridge of Haresfield and Matson, Glos. (d. 1408), by Alice (b. 1379), to whom Giles was h.—she coh. of Thomas Berkeley of Cubberley and Fownhope;³ m. Katherine, widow of Reynold Gyse of Elmore, Glos., and da. of James Clifford of Frampton-on-Severn, Glos.,³ by whom he had Thomas M.P. (1426-93).

Sheriff, Glos., 10 Feb. to 5 Nov. 1430; returned to Parlt. 1431; pardoned 12 July 1437 (m.11); and in 1433/43 Giles Bridge esq. sued Thomas Poyntz concerning the feoffment of Stowell, Glos., which had been given as security for a debt owed by William Clifford to Poyntz.⁴ J.P., Beds., 12 Mar. 1439 to 10 July 1440; an elector, Glos., 1442, 1460; J.P., Glos., 8 Aug. 1440 till death; on most Glos. comns. from 1440 to 1457, including gaol deliveries at Cirencester and Gloucester, and thereafter only in Aug. 1461; again sheriff 1453-4, and pardoned 1452 and 1456, as "of Coberley, Glos. esq." (m.27, m.11), and, 20 Oct. 1462, as "of Coberley, esq., late sheriff, *alias* gent." (m. 13); apportioner of subsidy in Glos. 1463. In May 1463 he had an *Inspeximus* of a charter of Richard I to William Berkeley whose kinsman and heir he was.⁵

D. 13 Apr. 1467, when Thomas, aged 40, was his. s. and h.; lands—Glos.

BRIDGES (BRUGGE), JOHN (1410-65); of Hereford. M.P. Leominster 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1459.

S. perhaps of Richard Bridges, M.P. Leominster 1433-42, but not son of John Bridge, M.P. Heref. 1420.⁶

An elector for Hereford co. 1433 and city in 1450, and he may be one of the two John Bridges who were sworn to the peace in Herefordshire in 1434.⁶

BRIDGES, JOHN A (1430-91); prob. of Dukeridge near Box, Wilts.⁷ M.P. Malmesbury 1467-8, (? 1470-1), 1472-5.

Perhaps s. of Richard Bridges, M.P. for Bedwin and Ludgershall. A John atte Brigge of Northtauton, yeoman, *alias* John Austell of same in Devon, *alias* of Tiverton, Devon, was pardoned 6 Apr. 1462 (m.12). Another John was on Gloucester gaol delivery in 1467, and yet another, or the same, of Salisbury died 1491. Will, dat. 14 Aug. 1491, no date of proof.⁸

¹ Hereford City records at Hereford. ² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. pp. 56, 353, 420.

³ *Comp. Peer.* iii. 151. ⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 39/53. ⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1463), 259.

⁶ John Brugge of Heref. d. 30 Sept. 1436; heir, Sir John Baskerville knt. son of Jane da. of John Brugge—aged 24. (*Inq. p.m.*, C. 139. 79. 5.)

⁷ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

⁸ Of Salisbury, clothier. To be bur. in St. Edmunds. Exors. :—Jane his w., John Selwoode, and John Hampton (P.C.C., 1 Dogett).

BRIDGES (BRUGGE), RICHARD (1410-75), of Leominster; lawyer. M.P. Leominster 1433, 1435 and 1442.

Perhaps s. of John Bridges of Staunden, Heref., and uncle of Giles Bridge M.P.¹

Roger Boteler of Leominster owed him 5 marks in 1456; and he was an elector in Leominster 1460 and 1472; an attorney in a Glos. suit 1470.²

BRIDGES (BRUGGE), THOMAS (1426-93); of Cubberley, Glos., and Fownhope, Heref., esq. Serjeant-at-Law 1478-83. M.P. GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1460-1; HEREFORDSHIRE 1472-5.

S. and h. of Giles Bridge M.P. (1396-1467), by Katherine (Clifford); m. Florence (d. 1506), da. of William Darell of Littlecote, Wilts.³

Bailiff of Gloucester 1450; elector, Gloucester boro' 1450, 1453; and Glos. co. 1453, 1467, 1478; pardoned, Dec. 1459 and May 1460, as "of Wington, gent." In Jan. 1460 the custody of Fownhope, Heref., which Bridge had had of the gift of the Earl of Warwick, was granted instead to Humphry yr. s. of James, lord Audley, so that Bridge was presumably a Yorkist, and must be the same as "Thomas Brugge of Dymmok, Glos., gent., *alias* of Fowenchope", pardoned, 10 Feb. 1460 (m.2). J.P., Heref., of the quorum, July 1461 to 26 July 1483, called "of Rose (Ross)"; eschr. of Hereford and the marches 1465-7, and probably deputy sheriff of Glos. in 1471;⁴ pardoned, 10 Oct. 1472, "of Cobburley, Glos., esq. *alias* gent., *alias* late eschr." (m.16).

If these references are all to one person, in spite of all the various places of residence, then the same man sat for counties Glos. in 1460 and Hereford in 1472, and was the serjeant-at-law.

Thomas Bridges was made serjeant-at-law in 1478, and was then put on the Bench in counties Worcester, Dorset, Devon, Somerset, Hants and Cornwall, and was made steward of Elmley, Worcs., and Lydney, Glos., during the minority of Clarence's heir. He was on the subsidy comn. of Apr. 1483 in Dorset, Worcs. and Hereford. He was pardoned as "of Wington (*alias* Wington in Leominster), senior, gent." 10 Feb. 1486 (m.8) and on a Herefordshire comn. in Dec. 1488. But in July 1492 Wyke, Worc., is called late in possession of Thomas Bridges, serjeant-at-law;⁵ while Thomas Bridge (s. of Giles), certainly the M.P. for Glos., d. 30 Jan. 1493, when Giles, aged 30, was his s. and h.⁶ This Giles was kntd., and on his mother's death in 1506 had licence of entry on her lands at Lugwardine, Heref., as h. of John Chandos of Lugwardine.⁷

BRIDGES (BRUGGES), WILLIAM (1410-70); King's Serjeant 1449-62. M.P. Southwark 1437; Wootton Bassett 1449 (1); Bedwin 1450-1; Southwark 1453-4; Downton 1455-6.

Perhaps s. of Richard Bridges, M.P. for Bedwin and Ludgershall 1429-33, or perhaps s. of William Bridges, Garter King-of-Arms (d. 1456).

¹ Glos. Visitn. p. 234.

² Plea Rolls, Easter 10 Edw. IV.

³ Comp. Peer. iii. 151-2. But see also Gloucester Rental (1455), pp. 12, 40.

⁴ Early Chan. Proc. 45/396.

⁵ Cat. Anc. Deeds, vi. p. 54.

⁶ Comp. Peer. iii. 151-2. Lands in Worcester and Glos. ⁷ Cal. Pat. Rolls (1506), 470.

Sworn to the peace as of Sanderstead, Surrey, 1434. The King's serjeant, William Bridges, receiver-general of the College of St. Mary and Nicholas, Cambridge, and Bartholomew Willesden of the Exchequer, were made bailiffs of Burley in the New Forest, with 6*d.* a day each, Feb. 1449 (while Parliament was sitting). It will be the same man who was frequently a commr. in Surrey 1452-60, and who was a co-feoffee with the Duke of Norfolk at Thetford in 1455. The association with Willesden of the Exchequer would make it all easier for this King's Serjeant to sit for these three pocket boroughs.

He became sole bailiff of Burley, 1457; eschr. of Surrey and Sussex, 1457-8; apptd. controller of the customs in Poole, 4 Aug. 1460. This was a Yorkist appointment, and was renewed, Nov. 1461; pardoned with the Lancastrian officials, 3 Feb. 1462, as late of Southwark, *alias* late eschr. of Surrey and Sussex (m.45).

BRIDGES (BRUGGES), WILLIAM (1395-1455); of Guildford. M.P. Guildford 1437, 1450-1.

He was mayor of Guildford 1427-8, 1437-8;¹ and in 1446 William Bridges of Guildford was a collector of Subsidy.²

BRIDGEWATER (BRUGGEWATER), JOHN (1415-65); of the Household. M.P. Wallingford 1442.

Is this Wallingford M.P. the John Bridgewater who was one of the nine grooms of the Chamber in 1454 and to whom clothes were issued in 1455/6 and 1458/9?³

There is no trace of any Bridgewater at Wallingford,⁴ and, like many other men returned for that boro', he was probably official. But about that groom of the Chamber we know nothing more.

BRIGHAM (BRYGHAM), JOHN (1415-70); of Tiverton, servt. to Earl of Devon. M.P. Plymouth 1449-50.

On 23 Oct. 1455 John Brigham, late of Tiverton, yeoman, was named as an accessory to the murder of Nicholas Radford (*q.v.*).⁵ Later he was still the servant of the Courtenays, earls of Devon, for the royal grant to John Lambard, dated 17 Jan. 1470, included the reversion, on the death of John Brygham, of lands in Stuttemcombe (Stedecombe in Axmouth), Devon, which Henry Courtenay, esq., attainted of high treason, had granted to John Brigham, his servant for life.⁶

Brigham was probably dead at the date of the grant.

BRILL (BRYLL), WILLIAM (1455-1510); lawyer. M.P. Bedwin 1491-2.

Such a man was an attorney in a Berks. suit, 1480;⁷ on comms. in Hants 1484, in Wilts. 1502, and on a gaol delivery at Old Sarum in 1495.⁸

¹ Manning and Bray, *Surrey*, i. 38.

² *Surrey Record Soc.* xi. 105.

³ *Enr. Accts.* 361-6; *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 225. ⁴ Hedges, *Hist. of Wallingford*, ii. 207.

⁵ Alnwick Papers, *ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1470), 187.

⁷ Plea Rolls, K.B.

⁸ For a Richard Bryll see *Early Chan. Proc.* 61/218.

BROCAS (BROKAS), ARNOLD (1405-60/62); of Compton, Surrey, esq.
M.P. SURREY 1442.

S. of John Brocas, who vacated a Fellowship at New College in 1403;² *m.* Margaret, da. of William Brocas;¹ issue Benedict, *d.* 1488.²

Admitted to Winchester College, 1418;² was seised of Broadbridge, Sussex, in 1431; eschr., Surrey and Sussex, 1440-1; J.P., Surrey, 16 May 1443 to 7 Aug. 1448; elector, Surrey, 1429, 1431, 1432, 1435, 1437, 1447, 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1460. *D.* 1460/62.

BROCKHILL (BROCHULL), NICHOLAS³ (1410-61); of Saltwood and Aldington, both in Hythe. M.P. Hythe 1447,⁴ 1449 (1).⁵

Yr. s. of William Brockhill esq., and bro. and h. in 1437 to Thomas Brockhill;⁶ *m.* Catherine, da. of Adam Wood, and had a son William, who *m.* Elizabeth, da. of Thomas Hever.⁷

In 1434 Thomas Brockhill of Saltwood and Nicholas Brockhill of Saltwood (in this order) were sworn to the peace in Kent. In June 1437 licence was granted to settle Aldington, Kent, on Elizabeth, widow of Thomas Burton, for life, with reversion to Nicholas Brockhill and his heirs male, remainder to Elizabeth, da. of Thomas Brockhill and heirs male, remainder to the right heirs of Sir John Brockhill. Bailiff of Hythe 1437-41, 1448-52;⁸ pardoned Nov. 1455.⁹ He was one of those directed to help the comn. at Maidstone in June 1456, and he must have died in 1461, when the will of Nicholas Brockhill of Aldington next Thurnham was pr. at Canterbury.¹⁰

BROKE see BROOK.

BROKEMAN, JOHN (1430-1500); of Witham, Essex, servant of the Duke of Somerset. M.P. Wareham 1453-4. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of William Brokeman of Witham by Elizabeth da. of John s. of Alban Fryer of Barking;¹¹ *m.* Florence da. of John St. Leger of Ulcombe, Kent,¹ and sister of John and Sir Thomas St. Leger (*qq.v.*) and of Margaret, lady Clinton.

¹ William Brocas, esq., sued Arnold Brocas, the husband of Margaret, William's da., for rent reserved out of lands in Guildford settled on the marriage of the said Margaret, 1455 (*Early Chan. Proc.* 25/205.)

² M. Burrows, *Family of Brocas*, 182, 185.

³ "Thomas" is given in the 1449 Return. But Thomas was certainly dead in 1437, and Wilks is right in thinking that the M.P. for 1449 should be Nicholas and not "Thomas" Brockhill. (See note 5.)

⁴ He claimed £3 2s. *od.* for his wages at the Bury Parlt., 31 days at 2s.

⁵ He, Nicholas, claimed £8 4s. *od.* for his wages at London in 1449 (1) 82 days at 2s.; but on this occasion he only received £3 6s. 8*d.* (Hythe records, E.94).

⁶ Wilks, however, in his *Barons of the Cinque Ports*, calls Nicholas s. of Sir John Brockhill of Brockhill Park, whom the Kent Visitation, rightly I think, calls father of William and grandfather of Thomas and Nicholas. ⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 15/56.

⁸ In the Court held 15 Feb. 1449 Thomas Hegheslede sits as deputy for Nicholas Brokhalle the then bailiff "he being absent at Parliament" (*Hist. MSS. Com.* iv. p. 433).

⁹ Pardon Roll, Nov. 1455, Nicholas Brockhill of Aldington next Thornham, Kent, esq., *alias* of Saltwood, Kent, *alias* of Hythe (m.15).

¹⁰ Canterbury Wills. A.I.278.

¹¹ *Arch. Cant.* xliii. 282; Morant, *Essex*, ii. 107.

¹² Morant, *Essex*, ii. 107.

John Brokeman took out a pardon for the Cade troubles in 1450; was eschr. of Kent and Mdsx. 1457-8; mainpernor for the duke of Somerset in Nov. 1457; pardoned, "late eschr., *alias* of Kent, gent.", 28 May 1463; had the Duke of Somerset's forfeited lands in Thanet, 2 Mar. 1466. These were 450 acres at Broadgate and Birchington and were confirmed to him in 1468; he was still seised of them in 1474. In 1467/72 Margaret and Florence, das. and coh. of John St. Leger and wives of Walter Hungerford esq. and John Brokeman esq., sued the exor. of St. John Leger for their dowries.¹ Brokeman was one of those followers of Clarence and Warwick whose arrest was ordered, 25 Apr. 1470, but he was pardoned 6 May 1470.

If it is this John Brokeman who *d.* 22 Sept. 1500, then he must have *m.* very late in life, for Thomas, age 23, was his s. and h. Lands—in Kent, late of Henry Beaufort, duke of Somerset, attainted, which had been granted in 1468 to John Brokeman and heirs male of his body.

BROKESBY, WILLIAM (1450-1523); of Shouldley, Leics. M.P.
LEICESTERSHIRE 1491-2.

He may be the s. of Henry Brokesby of same by Edith,² sis. of Richard Bracebridge of Kingsbury, Warw.; *m.* (1) Emma Miles of Derby, (2) Elizabeth Staunton.³

J.P., Leics., 25 Nov. 1486 till death; on gaol delivery and oyer comns. 1487 onwards;⁴ sheriff, Warw. and Leics., 1496-7. A feoffee of Stanton-Wyville, Leics., in 1495; pardoned 1509, "of Wyng, Rutland, of London, and of Sywoldby, Leics."; subsidy comnr. for Leics., 1523.

D. 1523, bur. at Sepulby (M.I.).³

BROMER, JOHN (1430-1474); ald. of London, and of Uxbridge, fishmonger. M.P. London 1459, 1463-5.

S. of Wm. Bromer and Alice.

In 1457 John Bromer, fishmonger, had used ferkins or vessels of bad wood which were ordered to be destroyed.⁵ On comn. to search the houses of the Genoa merchants 1458. He had lands at Sandwich.⁶ Besides being returned to the Coventry Parlt. in 1459, he was sent on a very important city deputation to assure the King of the city's allegiance.⁷ Alderman of London from 15 June 1465; sheriff and auditor 1466-67;⁸ elector 1472.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 10/287, 45/352.

² The pardon roll of 1461 includes—Edith widow of Henry Brokesby, s. and h. of William Brokesby who was retained by Henry V in the French wars (m.8).

³ See Nichol, *Leicestershire*, iii. 406; but he alleges that William the son *succeeded* his father in 1453—impossible if he died in 1523. It may be that his father *d.* then in 1453.

⁴ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 480.

⁵ *Letter Book K.* 392.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/231.

⁷ *Jor.* 6, fo. 145.

⁸ He and his fellow-sheriff took £10 and a tun of wine as a bribe when appointing a keeper of Ludgate prison but had to give it back. The Court of Aldermen forbade this to be done again (*Jor.* 7, fo. 135).

D. 1474. Will, dat. 14 Mar., pr. 2 Dec. 1474.¹ In 1475/80 Jane, widow of John Bromer of Uxbridge, and Edward Bernard and Miles Studley, his exors., sued the feoffees to uses of his will for a messuage at Colham, Mdsx.²

BROMPTON, WILLIAM (1428-85); of Hull, merchant. M.P. Hull 1483 (Oct.), 1484.

S. of Thomas Brompton.³

Sheriff of Hull 1466-7; elector 1478; pardoned, "of Hull, merchant", 1472. He died c. 1485. Will, dat. 8 Nov. 1481, pr. at York 12 Feb. 1486, William Brompton of Hull.⁴

BROMWICH (BROMWYCHE), THOMAS (1405-67/70); of Sarnesfield. M.P. HEREFORDSHIRE 1449-50. Yorkist.

Probably s. of Sir Thomas Bromwich and grandson of John Bromwich, M.P. 1371; m. Catherine Oldcastle; and, according to the *Visitn. Gloucester* (p. 29), he had a son Richard.

Thomas Bromwich "of Felde", Heref., gent., was pardoned outlawry in 1431. Both the "elder" and the "younger" were sworn to the peace in Heref. 1434; from 1443 onwards Thomas Bromwich sat on Heref. comns., though not on those specially Lancastrian; an elector of Herefordshire 1437, 1442, 1449 (1), 1450, 1453, 1459 and 1467.⁵ Thomas Bromwich "of Sarneffeld, Heref., senior, esq." was pardoned, 1 Oct. 1457; J.P., Heref., 17 July 1461 till death; apptd. to apportion the subsidy in Herefordshire 1463.⁶

He must have died between 1467 and 1470 when he disappears from the Bench.

BROOK, Sir EDWARD (1412?-64); of Holditch, Dorset.⁸ (Lord Cobham 1445.) M.P. SOMERSET 1439-40, 1442; Sumnd. 1445-63. Yorkist.

Eldest s. of Thomas Brooke of Brooke, Soms., and of Holditch, Dorset, M.P. (d. 1439), by Jane da. of Sir Reynold Braybroke and Jane de la Pole, h. of Cobham; m. Elizabeth da. of James, lord Audley.

In Dorset he held also Cotleigh and Blundelshay; presented to Lufton, Soms., in 1443; sumnd. to Parlt. as Lord Cobham 1445, and to all subsequent Parlt. to

¹ To be bur. St. James, Garlickhithe. Masses for his father William, his mother Alice, and Elizabeth and Agnes his wives. Bequests to Jane his w. and to his s. Roger who is not to vex or trouble his w. after his decease. Exix. :-w. Jane. Supervisor—Robert Derlington (P.C.C., 18 Wattys).

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 53/152.

³ The will of John Brompton of Beverley, dat. 1444, mentions a William, son of my son Thomas Brompton, aged under 16 (*Test. Ebor.* ii. 101).

⁴ York Wills, 5. 300.

⁵ From 1453 onwards both "senior" and "junior" are found among the electors, and he presumably had a son Thomas born c. 1430. It would be this son who was the Thomas Bromwich, esq., mayor of Hereford 1478.

⁶ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV. (m.20).

⁷ In his father's Inq. p.m. his age is given as "24 and more."

⁸ On the Pardon Roll of 4 Nov. 1446 he appears as Edward Brooke of Holdiche, Dorset, knt., s. and h. of Thomas Brooke, and exor. of the wills of the said Thomas Brooke and Jane his wife (m.22). On the Pardon Roll of 14 Oct. 1455 he appears as Edward Brooke, lord Cobham, late of Coling, Kent, late of Holdiche, Dorset (m.7).

1463. He was a Yorkist ; fought at St. Albans in 1455 ; and commanded the left wing at Northampton in 1460 ; his house at Holdiche, near Chard, was sacked by the Lancastrian, James Butler, earl of Ormond.

D. 1464, and was succeeded as Lord Cobham by his s. John.

BROOK (BROKE), JOHN (1450-1500) ; of London, merchant ; Purveyor to the Household. M.P. Bridgnorth 1495.

Probably nephew of Saer Brook, M.P. (1425-92), being son of John Broke of Beventon, Saer's eld. bro.¹ As purveyor to the Household he was licensed to take game birds for the King's sport in 1486.

BROOK (BROKE), JOHN (1430-95) ; of Worcester. M.P. Worcester City 1460-1, 1491-2.

Bailiff of Worcester 1462, 1466, 1476, 1486 ; elector 1467 ; on a Worcester gaol delivery 1487. In 1475/85 John Broke of Worcester sued William and Thomas Boydon of Worcester for tenements in Worcester sold to John Broke by Jane Christopher, deceased.²

He is *not* the John Broke, M.P. Bridgnorth 1495, nor the auditor of the Duchy of Cornwall who died 1485, nor Sir John Broke, lord Cobham.

BROOK (BROKE), REYNOLD (1440-81) ; of Hardleigh, Norfolk. M.P. Reigate 1467-8.

Hardleigh and Aspoll, Suff., were held by Richard Yaxley of John de la Pole, duke of Suffolk ; Yaxley enfeoffed Anne, wife of Reynold Broke, and others for the use of Anne. After her death it was to remain to John Sulyard (*q.v.*) serjt.-at-law for the fulfilment of the will of Reynold in right of feoffment made by Anne and her co-feoffees.

D. 22 May 1481, when Edmund, aged 4, was his s. and h.³ In 1481 Richard Norton sued William Hysham of Wetheringsett, clerk, and Humphrey Everton and Anne his wife, previously wife of Reynold Broke, esq., administrators of the estate of the said Reynold.⁴

BROOK (BROKE), SAER (1425-92/3) ; of the Leys by Bridgnorth. M.P. Bridgnorth 1478.

S. of Thomas Brooke by Margaret da. of Richard Spicer of Claverley ; *m.* Eleanor da. and h. of John Bruyn of the Leys, near Bridgnorth.⁵ It is probably his nephew John, s. of John (eld. bro. of Saer Brook), who was M.P. for Bridgnorth in 1495.

D. 8 Hen. VII (1492/3) when his writ *diem clausit*, as of Claverley, was issued to the eschr. of Salop.⁶

¹ *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

³ *Inq. p.m.* 22 Ed. IV, No. 21.

⁵ H. T. Weyman, *Salop M.P.s.*

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/292.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/54.

⁶ *Fine Roll*, 8 Hen. VII. (m.14).

BROOK (BROKE), WILLIAM (1450-1503); of Dover. M.P. Dover 1485-6, 1495.

He held land in Oxsward, Dover, in 1472;¹ a feoffee of Elham by Folkestone in 1485; apptd. bailiff of Dover, 1 Oct. 1485, for service done beyond the seas and in this kingdom—exempted from resumption.² In 1494 he and others paid for a writ in Kent;³ perhaps mayor of Sandwich 1499-1500.

Recently dead, 15 Dec. 1503, when Thomas Vaughan was made water-bailiff of Dover, void by the death of William Broke. Will, dat. 30 Sept. 1503, no proof.⁴

BROOKWOOD (BROKWODE), WILLIAM (1430-70); of King's Barton, Glos.; Yeoman of the Crown 1461-8. M.P. Gloucester boro' 1460-1.

As Yeoman of the Crown he was granted his wage of 6*d.* a day out of King's Barton, Glos., 15 Oct. 1461, and this grant was exempted from resumption in 1464 and 1468. He was bailiff of Gloucester in 1463;⁵ and was probably an official of the castle.

BROUGHTON, JOHN (1442⁶-79); of Denston, Suffolk, esq. M.P. SUFFOLK 1478.

S. and h. apparent of John Broughton of Stonham in Rattlesden (1420-91)⁷ by Elizabeth da. of Robert Stonham, M.P.; *m.* in or before 1465⁸ Anne da. and h. of John Denston of Denston, Suff., and had John, who *d.* under age by 1487, and Sir Robert Broughton, M.P. (1468-1506).⁹

Sheriff, Cambs. and Hunts., 1464-5, 1473-4; on Suff. comns., Oct. 1470 and 1478; J.P., Hunts., 16 Dec. 1470 to 1471; J.P., Suff., 10 Nov. 1475 till death. He was a feoffee, with his father and Sir John Say (*q.v.*), of Pulverbatch, Salop, 1472; had licence to found a chantry at Denston to pray for himself and wife Anne and for John Denston and Katherine, Anne's parents, 1475.¹⁰ In this licence he was joined with Sir John Howard, lord Howard (*q.v.*), no doubt his patron, who gave him the Suffolk seat in 1478.

D. shortly before 30 Nov. 1479, when the custody of Denston and of his s. and h. Robert (*b.* 1468) was granted to John Dynham, lord Dynham, and Thomas Montgomery.¹¹

¹ Statham, *Devon Charters*, 257.

² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 365.

³ Fine Roll, 9 Hen. VII (m.6).

⁴ Residue of moveables to wife Alice and s. John, and they exors. Messuage in Brode St. to Hen. Hayward for life, then to s. John. Residue of lands to Alice for life, reversion to son John (Cant. Prob. Reg. C. x. f. 134u).

⁵ Bigland, *Hist. of Gloucester*.

⁶ Aged 22 in 1464.

⁷ Will, as of Broughton, Bucks. (P.C.C., 18 Milles), 1489; *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. p. 238.

⁸ Licence for John Broughton the yr., esq., to grant Colne Engaine to John Broughton the elder, and he to settle the same on John the yr. and Anne his w. and heirs of their bodies (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1465, 442-3).

⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1487), 168; Addl. MS. Brit. Mus. 19,121.

¹⁰ *ibid.* (1475), 484.

¹¹ *ibid.* (1479), 173.

BROUGHTON, Sir ROBERT (1468-1506); of Denston and Stonham.
M.P. SUFFOLK 1489-90.

Second s. of John Broughton, M.P. (1442-79), by Anne (Denston), and bro. and h. to John (*d.* under age 1486), and g.s. and h. to John Broughton of Stonham (1420-91); *m.* (?) Katherine, bastard da. to the Earl of Oxford,¹ and certainly Dorothy da. of — Wentworth,² and their s. and h. was born 1491.

He held Stonham's manor in Rattlesden of the abbot of Bury St. Edmunds; and had livery of his lands without proof of age, 14 Feb. 1487; was kntd. at Stoke fight, 16 June 1487;⁴ on gaol delivery at Ipswich, June 1489, and at Bury 1493; a feoffee in Devon 1494;⁵ J.P., Suffolk, 20 Nov. 1496 till death; a comnr. of oyer and terminer in Norfolk and Suffolk, 20 Jan. 1502.

D. 10 Aug. 1506, when John aged 15 was s. and h.; and he held Comberton, Cambs., of the Honor of Clare, and Longstowe of the abbot of Ramsey.⁶

BROUGHTON, THOMAS (1435-1500); of Grimsby, merchant. M.P.
Grimsby 1467-8, 1483 (June), 1495.

Pardoned, 10 Oct. 1455, of Grimsby, merchant (m.22); mayor of Grimsby 1468, 1477.⁷

BROWE, JOHN (1410-75); of Teigh and Woodhead, Rutland, and of Maxey, N'hants., esq. M.P. RUTLAND 1435, 1449 (1), 1460-1.

S. and h. of Robert Browe of the same, M.P. (1380-1451); *m.* Elizabeth da. and h. of Sir John Tame and widow of Thomas Mortimer, and of Thomas Semark.⁸

Lived at "Tygh" when, in his father's lifetime, he was sworn to the peace in Rutland, 1434. Pardoned 1446; elector, Rutland, 1432, 1433, 1450; pardoned Nov. 1455;⁹ on the Rutland comn. of array, Sept. 1457; and in 1458 one of the trustees of the marriage of York's da. Elizabeth with John, duke of Suffolk.¹⁰ But his was a Suffolk rather than a York connection.¹¹ After the Yorkists arrived he obtained pardons in Dec. 1461,¹² in Mar. 1469,¹³ and in Feb. 1471 from the Readeption

¹ Davy, Addl. MS. Brit. Mus. 19,121.

² *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. p. 594.

³ *ibid.* i. p. 238.

⁴ Called Robert of Broughton Shaw, *Knights*, ii. 25.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. C.6937, C.7068, C.7170.

⁶ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. p. 594.

⁷ Oliver, *Grimsby*.

⁸ Pardon Roll, 4 Nov. 1446, John Browe, esq., and his w. Elizabeth, "exix. of the will of Thomas Mortimer and exix. of the will of Thomas Semark, da. and h. of John Tame, knt." (m.22). In 1453, and again in 1455, Thomas Pygge sued John Browe of Wodehede, step-father of Pygge's wife Elizabeth Semark, and William Aldwyncle, esq., as exors. of his (Pygge's) marriage settlement (*Early Chan. Proc.* 22/104). Woodhead is in Gt. Casterton parish.

⁹ Pardoned, 10 Nov. 1455, "late of Maxey, N'hants., esq., s. and h. of Robert Browe, esq." (m.12).

¹⁰ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 26.

¹¹ About this time Robert Danvers sued him for Pickworth manor, bought of Sir Henry Inglose's exors. (*Early Chan. Proc.* 26/618).

¹² "Of Stamford, esq., *alias* of Wodehead, gent."

¹³ John Browe, "late of Ty, late of Wodehead, *alias* late of Tye", appears on the Pardon Roll, 20 Mar. 1469 (m.5).

govt.;¹ on a Rutland comn. of array 1472; but he was never J.P., and he seems to have been dead by July 1476, when a charter, dat. 23 June 1415, of John Browe, the elder, and Robert Baylly was inspected, which granted to Robert Browe for life the manors of Woodhead, Bridge Casterton and Teigh, remainder to his heirs. His son Thomas predeceased him,² but he left a s. and h. Robert, of "Woodhead", etc. in 1476. Arms:—On a chevron, 3 roses.

BROWE, ROBERT (1380–1451); of Woodhead, Rutland.³ M.P. RUTLAND 1407, 1414, 1419, 1423,³ 1429, 1431, 1439–40.

Perhaps s. of Sir Hugh Browe, M.P. Rutland 1388–90.

He vested his lands in feoffees, 6 Jan. 1432; a comnr. to raise a loan in Rutland 1421, and again in 1440; sworn to the peace in Rutland, as of Wodehed, in 1434; J.P., Rutland, 28 May 1435 to 20 Nov. 1437; elector, Rutland, 1432, 1433, 1435, 1437, 1442; pardoned, 1437, as of Wodehed, esq. (m.5), and also 1446 (m.9); and pardoned outlawry for not appearing, Oct. 1449. In May 1451 Robert Browe, esq., had obtained damages of £50 against the Master of Knole almshouse in Pontefract, but Parlt. at Bury in 1447 had restored to the Master the seized manors and the Master was now pardoned the £50—apparently at Browe's expense.

D. shortly before 18 Oct. 1451 when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschrs. of Norfolk and Rutland.⁴

BROWN, CHRISTOPHER (1455–1516); of Stamford and of Tolethorpe, Rutland, stapler. M.P. Stamford 1485–6, 1489–90, 1495.

S. and h. of John Brown of Stamford, merchant (dead 1470), alderman (*i.e.* mayor)⁵ of Stamford in 1448, 1453, 1462; and yr. bro. of William Brown, alderman of Stamford 1460–1, 1466–7, 1470–1; pardoned 1484.⁶ Christopher *m.* (1) Grace da. and coh. of John Pinchbeck of Pinchbek, Lincs., by whom he had his heir Francis; and (2) a Bedingfield of Norfolk.

Mayor of Stamford 1482, 1491, 1502;⁷ sheriff, Rutland, 1492–3, 1500–1, 1509–10; J.P., N'hants., 7 Dec. 1500 to 1509; J.P., Rutland, 8 Dec. 1506 till death; J.P., Lincs., 19 Nov. 1500 to 1514; on several comns., and elected Mayor of the Staple in Boston, 21 July 1500. "Brown of Stamford" was at the meeting with the Archduke Philip 1500.⁸ He is called esquire in 1504, but was one of the staplers fined and pardoned in 1505; pardoned for trading with Denmark as a stapler of Calais 1507. A comnr. of subsidy for Rutland and Kesteven 1504—but not a member of the appointing Parlt.⁹

¹ "Of Stamford, Lincs., esq., *alias* of Lyeffeld, Rutland, *alias* of Maxey, N'hants." on the Roll of 49 Henry VI.

² Sir Robert Clifton's da. Isabel had *m.* Browe's s. Thomas, and Thomas had *d.*; therefore, in 1467/70, Browe sued the feoffees of the settlement for the manor of Wodehed and lands in Casterton and Pickworth, Rutland (*Early Chan. Proc.* 34/39, 28/367).

³ Styled "of Wodehed" on the 1423 Return.

⁴ Fine Roll, 30 Hen. VI (m.25).

⁵ There was only one alderman in Stamford and he was annually elected civic head.

⁶ Leland calls William Brown "a marchaunt of verie wonderfulle bignesse".

⁷ Drakard, *Hist. of Stamford*, 100.

⁸ Gairdner, *L. & P.*, ii. 91.

⁹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 539, 540.

D. 1516, succeeded by Francis his. s and h.¹ He had a grant of arms in 1480—party per bend. arg. and sa., 3 mascles in bend counter charged. He probably bought Tolethorpe in 1489.

BROWN *alias* BROME, JOHN (1410–68); of Baddesley-Clinton, Warw. Under Treasurer 1455–7, and of the Exchequer; lawyer.² M.P. Coventry (? 1455–6, ? 1459); Warwick or WARWICKSHIRE (? 1460–1). Lancastrian.

S. of John Brown, M.P. Warwick boro' 1431;² *m.* Beatrice Shirley.

He bought Baddesley-Clinton; "for the great part of King Henry Sixth's reign he bore much sway in these parts (Warwickshire), being Under Treasurer in the Exchequer."² A subsidy comnr. for co. Warw. 1436; Clerk of the Issues of the Exchqr. 1439–45;³ one of the two chamberlains of the Exchqr., 1447–55;³ Under Treasurer of England, May to July 1455 and Dec. 1456 to 1457.³ He was sent into N. Wales to audit the accts. of the King's Ministers there 1446;³ was granted the tronage and pesage of Newcastle-on-Tyne 1453; master of the game at Fulbrook, Warw., 1459; as "of the King's Household" he joined in founding that year a chantry at Baldock, Herts.; and in 1460 he and Richard Sheldon (*q.v.*) were made receivers of the Duke of York's lands.

He was J.P., Warw., of the quorum, 30 Mar. 1449 to 16 Dec. 1460; frequently a comnr. in Warw., Worcs., Merioneth and Hunts. (if all one man) 1453 to 1460, including the Lancastrian comn. for co. Warwick in Dec. 1459. Probably he is the John Brown of Berkhamsted pardoned, 12 Aug. 1461; and, as Dugdale says—"after the beginning of Edward IV's reign he was set aside as to any publique appointment". He was murdered in 8 Edw. IV (1468).²

He constantly used the name of Brown as an *alias* for Brome; but he is always Brown in the Issue and Patent Rolls. The Bromes of Halton, descending from his bro. William, are also referred to as Brown.⁴

BROWN (BRUYN), RICHARD (1405–61); of Eslingham, Kent, and of London. Servant of the Earl of Stafford, lawyer. M.P. Newcastle-under-Lyme 1435; Stafford 1442; Winchelsea 1445–6; Stafford 1449 (1).

Perhaps a s. of John Bruyn of Bridgnorth, esq., M.P. 1425.⁵

On Kent comns. in 1439, and from 1450 onwards; but his origin, his constituencies and his location are all to be reconciled by the service of the Stafford House.

J.P., Kent, 28 Dec. 1447 to 2 Dec. 1458; on comns. in counties Leicester, Notts., Derby, Lincs., and Warwick from 1430 to 1450, and in Kent, including all

¹ Will, dat. 1516, pr. 8 Feb. 1517; late of Stamford, written at his manor of Tolethorpe. To be bur. in All Hallows, Stamford. 200 marks each to sons Edmund and Robert; £100 each to das. Anne and Katheryn; £20 to da. Anne Gourley. Masses for souls of his wives Grace, Agnes and Elizabeth. A house to his s. Robert; the lands he had from his father to his s. Edmund; Tolethorpe to his s. Francis. Exors.:—John Caldecote, Francis Brown and John Halle. Overseer—William Radcliffe of Stamford (P.C.C., 14 Aylofffe).

² Dugdale, *Warwickshire*, 710.

³ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

⁴ *Misc. Gen. et Heraldica*, V series, vol. vi. pp. 289, 291, 294.

⁵ Called "brother" by William Lee, M.P., when he settled Aston by Stone, Staffs., on Richard Bruyn in 1442.

the Lancastrian ones, till Feb. 1460, often with the Duke of Buckingham. He accounts for the profits of the forfeited ship *Katheryn of Holland* in 1449; pardoned 1452, and with the Lancastrians in Oct. 1455;¹ one of those in 1454 who, under the Duke of Buckingham, administered the temporalities of the Archbishopric of Canterbury. After the Duke's death at Northampton he was pardoned again by the Yorkists, 22 Aug. 1460. This is the last heard of him. Judging from the large number of comns. upon which he sat, he must have been a lawyer.²

BROWN, RICHARD (1410-61); ald. of Norwich, merchant. M.P. Norwich 1459. Yorkist.³

Brown and Stevens were commissioned in 1443 to take ships, masters and mariners to relieve the castle of Crottoy. His goods coming from Prussia had been seized and landed in Yorkshire by Dieppe pirates, Aug. 1450. He was on a wreck comn. at Yarmouth in 1452; sheriff of Norwich 1449; mayor 1454, and presumably alderman; pardoned, 14 Apr. 1456, "of Norwich, merchant, citizen and alderman, *alias* exor. of will of Ralph Segryme, late alderman (*q.v.*)" (m.3); and again 12 Feb. 1458, "citizen, alderman and merchant of Norwich" (m.21). He may have fought at Towton,³ but his age makes it improbable.

D. 1461. Will, dat. 10 Aug., pr. 10 Oct. 1461.⁴

BROWN (BROUNE), SAMPSON (1415-70); of Dorset. M.P. Shaftesbury 1449 (1); Melcombe 1460-1.

Sampson Brown was a manucaptor for the Dorset M.P.s in 1449 (1), when he himself was returned for Shaftesbury. William Clerk of London and John West of London were mainprize for Sampson Brown for the custody of a messuage in East Purbeck, Dorset, 14 July 1456.⁵ There are Stephen Browns in profusion, but no other Sampson.⁶

BROWN (BROUN), THOMAS. M.P. Marlborough 1449-50, 1455-6.

He was probably a burgess of Marlborough, since he occurs twice over, and Robert Brown was Member for Marlborough in the next century. But there is nothing to distinguish this Tom Brown from other Tom Browns.

BROWNE, Sir GEORGE (1440-83); of Betchworth, Surrey. M.P. Guildford 1472-5; SURREY 1478; Canterbury 1483 (Jan.).

¹ Late of London, gent., *alias* of Eslyngham, Kent, *alias* J.P. Kent (m.26).

² *Staffs. Colls.* xi. 233; xvii. 25; 1917, 220.

³ It would appear that he was or became swiftly Yorkist, for in 1467/72 John Williams sued Henry Corsy, exor. of Richard Brown, late of Norwich, for money advanced by Williams to Brown for wages for 11 men engaged by Brown to do the King's service in "the North Field" (presumably Towton). (*Early Chan. Proc.* 43/156.)

⁴ To be bur. in St. Crouches, Norwich. Wife Alison to have 6,000 marks. Each of three sons and two das. to have 100 marks apiece. Masses for self and bro. Segryme's souls. Exors. :-w. Alison, John Gilberd, John Drolle and Edmund Redknap (P.C.C., 23 Stockton).

⁵ Fine Roll, 34 Hen. VI. (m.5).

⁶ For the MS. pedigree of Browne of Seager, see Withie MS., Harleian MS., No. 1443.

S. of Sir Thomas Browne M.P. (1413-60, Under Treasurer of England, beheaded 1460), by Eleanor (Fitzalan), *m.* 1471/2 Elizabeth (*d.* 1488)¹ da. of Sir William Paston the Judge, and widow of Robert Poynings M.P., slain 1461 (*q.v.*).

He was pardoned by the Yorkists after his father had been beheaded, 30 Sept. 1460. In Nov. his mother and Vaughan (*q.v.*), for a fine of £1,000, obtained the family estates and permission to settle them on William, George and Thomas, Sir Thomas's sons. He took out a pardon, 18 Nov. 1468, "of Roxley, Kent, esq., late of Southwark, late of London" (*m.* 16). In Apr. 1470 he was one of those to be arrested with Clarence and Warwick. During the Readeption he was admitted freeman of Canterbury on paying 40s.,² but did not sit in Parlt. for that city. He fought at Tewkesbury (under Clarence) where he was kntd. Then follows the cryptic passage which Miss Scofield has rendered—when Faunt (*q.v.*) was arrested (June 1471) a list of Warwick's adherents (in Kent) was found in his pocket, *but* Sir George Browne managed to get hold of it.³ One can infer, either that Sir George was zealous, or "on the list"—probably the latter as he was not put on the *comn.* which judged and punished Kent. Pardoned 5 Feb. 1472;⁴ a Surrey elector when elected for Guildford 1472.

J.P., Kent, 14 July 1474 to 26 June 1483. Sheriff, Kent, 1480-1. Made steward of Witley, Surrey, as forfeited by Clarence 1478, and then on Surrey *comns.* It was expected that he would be made Clerk of the Hanaper 1479,⁵ and he carried the banner of St. George at the funeral of Edward IV. He was immediately removed from the bench. There was no need to bring him in against Richard III; the beheading of his step-father had settled that. With Dorset, Norris, Knyvet, Bouchier he was denounced as rebel, 23 Oct. 1483. He, Fogge and Guildford led the rising in Kent; Fogge and Guildford (*qq.v.*) escaped the axe, but Browne was taken and beheaded on Tower Hill, 4 Dec. 1483.⁶ Attainted 1484,⁷ his lands were handed over to William Mauleverer, his hereditary aldermanry at Canterbury was granted to that city.⁸ But all was reversed by the 1485 Parlt.⁹ and Sir Matthew his son (*q.v.*) reigned in his stead at Betchworth and in Parliament.

BROWNE, Sir MATTHEW (1473-1557); of Betchworth in Dorking. Knt. of the Body 1516. M.P. SURREY 1495, 1539, and probably often at other times.

S. and h. of Sir George Browne of same, M.P. (1440-83) by Elizabeth Paston (*d.* 1488), and therefore half brother of Poynings, the lord deputy. *M.* (1) Frideswide da. of Sir Richard Guildford, K.G., M.P.

Kntd. 29 Nov. 1489; sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1496-7; J.P., Surrey, 18 Oct. 1498 to 1542 and onwards; on Surrey *comns.* from the subsidy *comn.* of 1496.¹⁰ He was present at all the great court functions, and usually bore the banner of St. George at state funerals. He lived at Barking or at "West Becheworth castle".¹¹ In 1512 he went with the military expedition to Guelderland; a knt. of

¹ See her will—to be bur. in Blackfriars church with her husband. (*Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.*)

² *Hist. MSS. Comn.* ix. App. I. p. 141.

³ Scofield, *Edward IV.*, ii. p. 1.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1472, "of West Bechworth, Surrey, knt., late of Southwark, late of Rokesse *alias* Rokesleigh, Kent, late of London."

⁵ *Paston Letters*, iii. 258.

⁶ Kingsford, *Chronicle*, 192.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 245.

⁸ *ibid.* vi. 258.

⁹ *ibid.* vi. 273.

¹⁰ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 517. It is to be observed that he sat in the Parlt. which named the *comnrs.*

¹¹ Pardon Roll, 1509 (*L. & P. Hen. VIII.* i. 438 (2) (*m.* 4).)

the Body in 1516,¹ and a sewer for the King at the Greenwich banquet 1517; at the Field of the Cloth of Gold in attendance on the Queen, 1520;² and one of the Surrey jury which tried the Duke of Buckingham, 1521. He was in Calais in 1522 and 1526. In 1535 he writes to Cromwell that he is unable to attend sessions at Southwark as he cannot ride five miles without pain. Nevertheless he attended on the King with 50 men to suppress the Northern rebellion 1536 and he appears to have sat for Surrey in the 1539 Parliament.³

D. 6 Aug. 1557, when Philip, aged 27, son of Henry, son of Sir Matthew, was grandson and heir. Will pr. at Lambeth 1557 (32 Wrastley).

BROWNE (BROUN), STEPHEN (1395-1462/4); ald. of London, grocer. M.P. London 1449-50, 1453-4.

He came from Newcastle-on-Tyne; said to be son of John Brown.⁴

Henry V at one time owed him £400;⁵ the lay subsidy roll of 1436 shows him owner of lands and rents in London and elsewhere worth £65 per annum.⁶ He was a surety in London 1423; warden of the Grocers' company 1425-6; master of the company 1432-3, 1437-9, 1442-3, 1448-50, 1456-7; sheriff 1431-2; mayor of London 1438-9, 1448-9; an alderman from 1429 to 1460;⁷ on London comms. 1447-52; elector 1449 (2), 1450, 1455. In Nov. 1439, as grocer of London, he had licence to buy wheat in Yorkshire to ship to London; pardoned, 25 June 1446 and 19 June 1452. His goods, in the keeping of Sir Robert Wingfield at Letheringham, were destroyed in 1448 by the Duke of Norfolk who burnt Letheringham. From 1449-50 he and others (wardens of the Groceries) account for forfeited goods in London.⁸

D. 1462/4. Will, dat. 28 Apr. 1462, pr. at the London hustings 5 Feb. 1465. Bequests for the upkeep of St. Nicholas, Newcastle-on-Tyne. He had property at Lynn; one son—John. His three wives—Juliana, Alice and Rose—predeceased him.⁹ Browne was also a large corn-factor and interested in the cloth trade. He had a large house in Thames St., containing a hall 90 ft. by 24 ft., a garner and a cloth house.¹⁰

BROWNE, Sir THOMAS (1414-60); of Tonford, Kent, and Betchworth, Surrey; of the Exchequer 1440-50, Under Treasurer 1447-9, lawyer.¹¹ M.P. Dover 1439-40; KENT 1445-6; present at the 1447 and 1449 (1) Parls. as Under Treasurer; Wallingford 1449-50.

S. and h. of Robert Browne (bro. of Stephen Browne, M.P.);¹² m. 1434¹³

¹ Pardon Roll, 1509 (*L. & P. Hen. VIII.*).

² *Foedera*, VI. ii. 182.

³ *L. & P. Hen. VIII.* XIV. i. p. 201.

⁴ Dr. S. L. Thrupp, *The merchant class of London in 15th century* (unpublished), p. 170.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* iv. 212.

⁶ Dr. Thrupp, *ut supra*.

⁷ Beaven, *Aldermen of London*, ii. pp. 7, 163.

⁸ *Exchr. Accts.* 515/12.

⁹ R. R. Sharpe, *Cal. of Wills*, ii. 553. Barth. Gotobed of Cambridge owed money to Stephen Brown of London and Rose his wife (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1469), 147).

¹⁰ C. L. Kingsford, *Prejudice & Promise*, pp. 122, 138-9.

¹¹ He was not M.P. while Under Treasurer of England.

¹² *Brownes of Bechworth* holds that it cannot be proved that Robert, bro. of Stephen Browne, mayor of London, was the father of Thomas. The new evidence provided by the Pardon Roll of 1458 seems to clinch the matter.

¹³ On 10 Feb. 1434, Peter Fetiplace obtained a grant of the marriage of Thomas Browne, the King's ward, s. and h. of Robert Browne. (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1434, 831.)

Eleanor da. and coh. of Thomas Fitzalan (third s. of Lord Maltravers), by whom he had seven sons of whom Sir George was M.P. Surrey. Eleanor survived and rem. Thomas Vaughan (*q.v.*) 1461.¹

Sworn to the peace in Kent, 1434; on a musters comn. there 1434; J.P., Kent, 1436 to 24 Dec. 1450; on Kent comns. in great number. The Exchequer issues record his expenses when sent to Sittingbourne in Jan. 1440, and he was King's servant when, "in consideration of his recent misfortune in Kent", he had licence to export uncustomed wool, 1440. Probably even then he was employed at the Exchequer, for from Apr. 1444 he had a £12 pension out of the Tweed fisheries and the post of Clerk of the Issues of the Exchequer. But he was sheriff, Kent, 1443-4, and pardoned as of Tonford, Kent, 1446; also held Barfreston by Sandwich by tenure of Castle guard at Dover.² He was promoted Under Treasurer of England by Feb. 1447 with 8*d.* a day wage,³ and as such he was then sent to Bury "to make known there the state of the realm in the Parliament" held there, for which he was paid 10*s.* a day expenses from 10 Feb. when he left London till 6 Mar. when he returned.⁴ He was further rewarded by being made steward of Middleton and Marden, Kent, Feb. 1447, and given a lease of Havering, Essex, at a rental of £86 a year, Aug. 1447 (of which rent £50 a year was remitted to him for life, Dec. 1448). As King's esquire he had licence to crenellate Tonford and Betchworth, Surrey, Dec. 1448;⁵ and a yearly fair at Eythorne, Kent, July 1449. His superior, the Treasurer, was Marmeduke Lumley, bishop of Carlisle, and, when Saye replaced the bishop, Browne ceased to be Under Treasurer, July 1449.⁶ But on 20 Feb. 1450 he had £150 "reward" for his labour and expense, now at the Parliament held at Winchester (in which he sat) and at Easter 1449;⁷ and Parlt. exempted his £12 pension from the Tweed.

He was kntd. 1449/51; restored to the Kent bench 5 Apr. 1451, put on a multitude of Kent comns., but he appears no more at the Exchequer.⁸ His acquisition of Betchworth had placed him in Surrey also; J.P., Surrey, 20 July 1454 till death; pardoned by Yorkists, Nov. 1455, and again 20 Jan. 1458, as of Tonford, Kent, late of West Betchworth, *alias* late of London, cit. and grocer (m.27). It is this last alias in an obscure roll which links up the Earls of Montague and the Under Treasurer of England with a city origin. They made him sheriff of Kent, Nov. 1459. He was mustering men at Sandwich in Dec. All through the early months of 1460 he was the Duke of Exeter's right-hand man at Sandwich. When the Earls came from France, and when Kyriel, Scott, Horne, Fogge and Haute went over to the Yorkists, Browne remained faithful; he retired on London. Hampden, Clifton and Tyrell (*qq.v.*) were besieged in the Tower by the Yorkist Earls, but Browne and William Barton collected men and broke the blockade and got into the Tower, where the others were, 10 July 1460.⁹ When the Tower surrendered a fortnight later, Sir Thomas Browne and five others of the household of the Duke of Exeter were sentenced, and hanged, drawn and quartered at Tyburn, 29 July 1460.

¹ On 15 Dec. 1461, Thomas Vaughan and Eleanor his wife, late wife of Sir Thomas Browne, were granted all the Browne lands for division between the seven sons of Sir Thomas Browne. ² Hasted, *Kent*. ³ Issue Rolls, 25 Hen. VI., Mich.

⁴ Devon, *Issues*, 458.

⁵ *Cal. Chart. Rolls*, vi. 102.

⁶ Issue Roll, No. 775 East, 27 Hen. VI.

⁷ *Ibid.* No. 777. Mich. 28 Hen. VI.

⁸ Save for a moment in July 1459 (Issue Roll, No. 819). ⁹ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 90.

BROWNING (BROUNYNG), ALEXANDER (1434-90); of Melbury, Dorset, Reading and London, gent. M.P. Wareham 1455-6.

Yr. s. of William Browning, M.P. (1405-72), and bro. of William Browning, M.P. (1432-93).

He sued John Lawley for a feigned plaint of debt to obtain release from a bond of £40 for procuring Lawley's marriage with Browning's aunt Elizabeth Rothwell;¹ sued the sheriffs of London regarding an action of debt brought against him by John Aleyn;² was pardoned by Richard III on the roll of 1484 as "of Melbury, Dorset, gent., late of Reading, late of London" (m.16)—so he may have been a lawyer. He was dead by 1493 when his son William, aged 30, was heir to the elder bro. William.³

BROWNING (BRYNYNG), ROBERT (1410-68); of Winterbourne-Stapleton, Dorset.⁴ M.P. Melcombe 1435; Lyme 1447; Wareham 1450-1; Dorchester 1453-4, 1455-6.

S. and h. of Nicholas Browning of the same;⁵ *m.* Clemence, da. and coh. of William Bayford, and had issue Richard Browning.⁵

£10 was owed to Robert Browning in Somerset in 1445; elector, Dorset, 1447, 1449 (1), 1453 (when elected for Dorchester), 1455 and 1460; also elector for Dorchester boro' 1455.

D. shortly before 16 May 1468, when his writ of *diem clausit* was issued out of the Chancery.⁶

BROWNING (BROUNYNG), WILLIAM (1405-1472); of Melbury-Sampford, esq. M.P. DORSET 1439-40, 1450-1, 1455-6. Lancastrian.

Yr. s. of John Browning (*d.* 1414)⁷ of Leigh, Glos. (but coming from Cheshire),⁸ and h. to his bro. John Browning (*b.* 1396);⁷ *m.* Agnes, an heiress (*d.* 1445), and had William Browning, jun., M.P. Weymouth 1460-1, and Alexander, M.P. Wareham 1455-6.

Sworn to the peace in Dorset in 1434; pardoned 8 May 1437;⁸ paid 100 marks for the marriage of Robert Baynham 1438; eschr., Glos., 1435-6; elector, Dorset, 1442, 1453; J.P., Dorset, 3 Nov. 1435 to 26 July 1444, 12 Apr. 1446 to 26 Nov. 1451, 15 Dec. 1453 to 7 Dec. 1470, and 8 Dec. 1471 till death; on several Dorset comns. 1441 to 1468, called "the elder". In Mar. 1449 Nicholas St. Loo granted him the keeping of the park of Gillingham, Dorset; pardoned 1452; eschr. of Somerset and Dorset 1454-5, and in Feb. 1460 he was made receiver of the lands of the Duke of York in these counties; obviously a good Lancastrian. In 1462, and thereafter frequently, he was owed money, and in July 1462 he was released from his liability to the Crown under a bond. Sheriff, Somerset and Dorset,

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 20/137. ² *ibid.* 32/379.

³ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 954.

⁴ Cf. also William Browning, M.P. Dorset 1450 and 1455, also Alexander Browning, M.P. Wareham 1455. ⁵ *Geneal. N.S.* xi. 253.

⁶ Fine Roll, 8 Edw. IV. (m.28). ⁷ *Inq. p.m.* 3 Hen. V. and 7 Hen. V.

⁸ William Browning of Melbury-Sampford, esq., *alias* of Myndeffelde, Glos., esq., *alias* of Wychmalbank, Cheshire, esq., *alias* heir and tenant of the lands of John Browning, *alias* brother of John Browning, lately s. and h. of John Browning (m.25).

1463-4. Apportioner of subsidy in Dorset 1463.¹ Humphrey Stafford, earl of Devon, made him exor. and residuary legatee under his will, dat. 1463. For age, or other reason, he was removed from the Bench during the Readeption of Henry VI, and restored thereafter; pardoned 1 Jan. 1472.

D. 27 Sept. 1472, when William, aged 40, was his s. and h.

BROWNING (BROUNYNG), WILLIAM (1432-93); of Melbury-Sampford, Dorset, esq. M.P. Weymouth 1460-1, "junior".

S. and h. of William Browning of same, M.P. (1405-72); *m.* Katherine da. of Lawrence Drewe of Seagry and Southcot.²

As William Browning junr. he was comsmd. to take a proof of age in Som. in 1458, and so described he sat on Dorset comns. 1467-75,³ mustering the array for France at Weymouth in 1475. He was one of the founders of the chantry at Yeovil in 1480.

D. 20 Aug. 1493, when William, aged 30, s. of Alexander bro. of William Browning, was his nephew and h.; lands—Dorset.⁴ Will, dat. 1 Aug., pr. 5 Nov. 1493.⁵

BRUGGE(S) see BRIDGE(S).

BRUMSTON (BRYANSTONE), JOHN (1435-90); of Preston by Faversham. Keeper of Canterbury 1471-5. M.P. KENT 1478.

S. of Thomas Brumston;⁶ *m.* Margery da. and h. of Isabel and John de Pympe (*d.* 1454) of Nettlestead.⁷

Canterbury was taken into the King's hands when Faunt was hanged, and Brumston was made keeper thereof, 9 July 1471—Scott was put in charge at Sandwich, St. Leger at Rochester, and a captain called Brumston at Canterbury.⁸ On Kent comns. from 1470; J.P., Kent, 1467-1470, 1471-1475; sheriff, Kent, 1471-2, being then described as "esq., of Nettlestead, Kent". He adhered to Richard III and was on a comn. in Kent in Sept. 1483; one of the exors. of the will of Thomas Bouchier, cardinal and archbp. of Canterbury, 1486; a feoffee of the hospital of St. Mary, Osprege, in 1489.

BRUSHFORD (BRUSSHEFORD), JOHN (1410-1468); of Dartmouth. M.P. Dartmouth 1450-1, 1453-4.

¹ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV (m.19).

² *Geneal.* N.S. xiii. 149.

³ He will be the William Browning of London, gent., mainpernor for Hugh Pagenham and Simon Godmonston concerning lands in Dorset 1460. (Fine Roll, 38 Hen. VI (m.7).)

⁴ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 954.

⁵ To be bur. in the monastery at Mydilton. To Katherine his wife, burgage tenements in Weymouth and Wyke (now Wyke-Regis) and she residuary legatee and exix. (P.C.C., 3 Vox).

⁶ *Arch. Cant.* xxi. 225.

⁷ Margery's half brother, John de Pympe, finally obtained Nettlestead, against her claim (*Arch. Cant.* xxviii. 172).

⁸ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 2.

Bailiff of Dartmouth 1436-7; mayor 1437-8, 1441-5, 1446-7, 1451-2, 1454-5, 1457-9, 1462-3.¹ In 1436/43 the master of a St. Malo barge sued John Brussheford, mayor of Dartmouth, for his failure to execute a writ of restitution to the complainant of goods taken from him on the high seas and sold.² He occurs in the Dartmouth records from 1436 to 1467;³ on Dartmouth comms. 1441 to 1458; accounts for the issues of Dartmouth 1445-8; one of the three first aldermen of the town 1461.⁴

Dead by 1469.⁵

BRUYN (BRUNE), (Sir) HENRY (1420-61); of Rowner, Hants; of the Household, Steward of Isle of Wight 1449-52. M.P. Portsmouth 1450-1. Yorkist.

S. and h. apparent of Sir Maurice Brune of South Ockenden, Essex (1386-1466) by Elizabeth da. and h. of Sir Henry Retford of Carlton, Lincs.;³ m. Elizabeth da. of Robert Darcy of Maldon.³

Henry was sworn to the peace in Berks. 1434; sheriff, Hants and Wilts., 1446-7, 1458-9; elector, Hants, 1449 (2), being then bailiff of Portsmouth, for as such he replies to the sheriff's writ. He was steward of the Isle of Wight by 1450, when the inhabitants petitioned Parlt. for his continuance as steward, "who had been appointed by the duke of York" after the dismissal of John Newport. Brune was "of the King's Household" and "borne to gret reputacion and wel anherited".⁴ He and his wife Elizabeth acquired Randolveston, Dorset, by fine in 1451;⁵ pardoned, 7 Apr. 1452, as "of Rowner, Hants, esq." (m.34); kntd. 1452/5; in Dec. 1455 he was apptd. on a comn. to assist the Duke of York in suppressing the riots in Devon;⁶ pardoned again, 6 Feb. 1458, as "knt. of Porchester, Hants, late sheriff of Hants" (m.35).

D. 30 Nov. 1461 when his das. and coh. were Elizabeth, aged 17, wife of Thomas Tyrell, esq., and Alice, aged 18, wife of John Barnes, esq.; lands—Hants and Kent. Elizabeth was still wife of Thomas Tyrell esq. when pardoned in 1472, and Alice died in 1475, being then wife of Sir John Heveningham.

BRUYN (BREWEYNE), THOMAS (1445-97); of Rovenore (Rowner), Hants. M.P. Portsmouth 1472-5.

Presumably nephew and h. male of Henry Bruyn of Rowner, M.P. (1420-61).⁷

He was pardoned, 5 Feb. 1472, "of Rowner, Hants, esq., *alias* of Forthynbregge, *alias* of Southwoken, Essex, *alias* late of Bokenham, Kent, *alias* late of Arundel, Sussex". A Hants elector 1472 (when elected for Portsmouth) and 1478. Pardoned outlawry for not appearing 1478 as "of Rowner, Hants". He died, as of Fordingbridge, Candover and Rowner, 27 Apr. 1497; when William, age 25, was s. and h.⁸

¹ Watkin, *Dartmouth*, 185, etc.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 45/54.

³ *Comp. Peer.* ii. 357.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* v. 205.

⁵ *Dorset Feet of Fines*, p. 373.

⁶ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 270.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1482), 263; *Geneal. N.S.* xx. 37.

⁸ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. p. 190.

BRYAN, STEPHEN (1450-98); ald. of Norwich. M.P. Norwich 1495.
 Sheriff of Norwich 1491-2; mayor 1494-5,¹ returning himself to Parliament.
 D. 1498. Will, dat. 11 June, pr. 15 Oct. 1498.²

BRYCE, JOHN (1395-1470); of Wincanton, Soms., gent. M.P. Weymouth 1417;³ Melcombe 1425; Taunton 1442.

As there had been a John Bryce M.P. for Weymouth in 1399, and a Philip Bryce, M.P. there in 1390, this man must have been born in those parts. Bryces were tenants of the Bp. of Winchester in the tithing Henlode and at Poundisford near Taunton 1438, and in Taunton borough 1446.⁴

It may be the same John Bryce who was pardoned, 4 Nov. 1461, as "of Wyn-celton, Soms., gent., *alias* Bryse" (m.8); on Som. comn., 1463, to arrest Bodulgate and Trevelyan; pardoned, 1468, of his outlawry for not appearing touching a debt to a London silversmith.⁵

BRYD see BIRD.

BRYNLES (BRUYN), THOMAS (1425-80); of Hereford. M.P. Hereford city 1450-1.

The Return writes Bruyn', and Thomas Bruyn' is the name of a Hereford city elector in 1459. But we think the name was Brynles, since Thomas Brynles occurs among the Hereford XII in 1472 and 1478;⁶ and no Thomas Brown or any Bruyn can be traced in the Hereford muniments.

BUCK (BUKKE), JOHN (1420-80); of Reading. M.P. Reading 1467-8.

He entered the Guild merchant, 5 May 1441, paying 13s. 4d. and 40s. for *jantaculum*; cofferer, Oct. 1445; constable, 1448; a collector in 1454, 1459; comnr. 1463; elector, Reading, 1453 (then constable), 1478. Mayor of Reading 1466-7 when returned;⁷ occurs 1474.

BUCKDEN (BUKSEY), RICHARD (1400-55); merchant of York. M.P. York 1445-6.

Perhaps s. of Piers "Bucksey", M.P. for York 1423 and Mayor 1426.

As Buckden he was sheriff 1435-6; mayor 1444-5; an elector of York city 1442, 1447, 1449 (2). No doubt his name was Buckden and they called him Bucksey just as Richard becomes Dixey.

¹ L'Estrange, *Norfolk Official Lists*.

² Citizen and alderman of Norwich. To be bur. St. Michael's, "if my cozen master p'sone will condecend", for which sepulture his wife Jane and his exors. agree with him. Bequests to reparation of walls and ward of St. Stephen's, Norwich, of which city he is alderman, £10; to da. Jane for her marriage, £40; all lands, etc. to w. Jane for life. Exors.:-John Jewell, ald. of Norwich, Andrew Pawe, John Butteler, draper, and Richard Dey, "my clerk" (P.C.C., 25 Horne).

³ Called junior on the Return.

⁴ Pipe Rolls of the Bp. of Winchester, in P.R.O.

⁵ As of Holcombe Regis, Devon, gent., *alias* of Wyngeaulton, Som., *alias* of London.

⁶ These are the two earliest lists of the XII among the Hereford MSS.

⁷ Guilding, *Reading Diaries*, i. pp. 12, 23, 30, 49, 60.

BUCKENHAM (BOKENHAM), THOMAS (1430-92); ald. of Norwich. M.P. Norwich 1472-5.

He appears as a feoffee in Mendlesham, Suff., in 1461, and on a Norwich comn. in 1469. Sheriff, Norwich, 1456-7, 1469-70; mayor 1479-80, 1486-7; alderman by 1487.

D. 1492. Will of Thomas Bokenham, cit. and ald. of Norwich, dat. 12 Feb., pr. 17 May 1492.¹ The widow Katherine died 1515.²

BUCKLAND (BOKELOND), THOMAS (1425-80); of Gloucester; lawyer. M.P. Gloucester boro' 1450-1.

Being described as *legis peritus*, he dwelt in Oxbode Lane, Gloucester, in 1455. One of the two bailiffs of Gloucester 1457 and 1458; a boro' elector 1467, 1472, 1478; and a county elector in 1472. Pardoned, 15 July 1468, as "of Gloucester, gent., late of London, late sheriff of Gloucester" (m.35).

BUCKLEY (BOKELLY), NICHOLAS (1420-80); Yeoman of the Crown. M.P. Bodmin 1449 (1); Lostwithiel 1453-4.

He heads the pedigree in Vivian's *Cornish Pedigrees* with a wife Alice.³ Cf. Nicholas Buckley, M.P. Bodmin 1377.

He was eschr., Devon and Cornw., 1449-50. Yeoman of the Crown from 29 Sept. 1451, with the usual wage of 6d. a day from the issues of Cornwall. The exors. of Richard Scardeburgh, clerk, sued Nicholas Bukkelley, gent., for the retention of a bond, due by the Master and scholars of St Martin's College, Oxford, to Scardeburgh, in 1475/85.⁴

BULKLEY (BULCELE), THOMAS (1435-90); of Sandwich, gent. Officer of the receipt in the Exchq. 1469-83, Customer 1483-4, Serjt.-at-Arms 1485-90. M.P. Sandwich 1489-90.

He was a messenger at the Exchq. in 1455;⁵ officer at the receipt of the Exchq. by 1469 to 1479;⁶ as such he "received" the 10th in Kent, Surrey, Sussex and Hants which had been voted in Parlt., 1474;⁷ and was sent with money by the council in France, 1475.⁸ He was made customer of Sandwich, July 1483; pardoned, Jan. 1485; comn. of musters, Apr. 1485. Henry made him King's serjt.-at-arms with 12d. a day out of Mdsx., 26 Sept. 1485⁹—exempted from Resumption;¹⁰ keeper of Corbyn Hall in Eltham at a yearly rent, 22 Apr. 1486, and with two gowns of the King's livery. On comns. in Kent 1486 to 1490. On

¹ To be bur. in St. Stephen's, Norwich, next to his parents and Margaret his w. Bequests to Katherine his w., to Friar Nicholas Bokenham his bro. Exors. :—his w. and others. Supervisor—John Welles, cit. and ald. of Norwich (P.C.C., 17 Doggett). A contemporary Thomas Buckenham, grocer of Norwich, d. 1486, leaving sons Henry and Robert—a person of less standing and less likely to have been M.P. in 1472.

² Maudslay and Ivetts, *Notes and extracts relating to the family of Bukenham*, p. 119.

³ Vivian, *Cornish Pedigrees*, 100.

⁵ Issue Roll, 33 Hen. VI, No. 801.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1474), 496.

⁹ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 65.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/282.

⁶ Issue Rolls, Edw. IV, *passim*.

⁸ Scofield, *Edward. IV*, ii. 125.

¹⁰ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 384.

5 Apr. 1490, returning from Parlt., "Master John Archer and Thomas Bulcele, late burgesses to Parlt., displayed confirmation of the port's charter".¹

D. 1490. Will of Thomas Bulkley of Sandwich, gent., dat. 24 Nov. 1490, proof not given.²

BULL (BOLE), RICHARD (1425-1490); of Winchester, mercer, and of London, ironmonger. M.P. Winchester 1463-5,³ 1478, 1484.³

A Richard Bole, possibly his father, was the bailiff of Winchester who replied to the sheriffs' mandate in 1450. In 1453 he redeemed the rent of assise of 19s. 2d. on his house for £6. He and Robert Horste were shipping wool from Chichester in 1457, got into trouble,⁴ and were pardoned, 28 Jan. 1458, "of Winton, merchant and mercer, *alias* Bulle" (m.33). Bailiff for the XXIV 1453-4; mayor 1462-3, 1479-80, 1488-9; farmer of the ulnage 1462; auditor 1478-83.³ Frequently employed on city business, including negotiations with Bishop Waynflete about Coytbury mill. The Chamberlains Rolls record payment of 79s. 6d. to him by the Winchester citizens for the Parlt. of Richard III and for negotiating about the ulnage and other matters; he also borrowed £10 for expenses incurred for the same purpose.³ On Hants comm. as gent., 1467. When next pardoned, 5 Feb. 1472, he was "of Winchester, merchant and mercer, *alias* Richard Bulle, late citizen and ironmonger of London". As "of Winchester" he sued for a messuage in that city 1475/85.⁵ On Winchester Gaol delivery 1486.

D. 1490, when his widow paid to the city by his bequest 20s.³

BULMAN, WILLIAM (1420-80). M.P. Melcombe 1450-1.

The keeping of Sevenhampton Denys was granted to William Bulman for two years, on the mainprize of Henry Fillongley of Warwickshire and John Hymerford of Somerset, May 1457.⁶ On a Dorchester jury 1462; paid £9 7s. yearly for Sevenhampton; a feoffee for the marriage settlement of James Butler, earl of Wilts, and surviving in 1478.

BULSTRODE, RICHARD (1425-80); of Hedgerley-Bulstrode, Bucks., esq., King's servant. M.P. Wallingford 1450-1; BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 1472-5.

S. and h. of William Bulstrode of Upton, by Agnes da. of William Norris of Bray, Berks.

In July 1452 he was paid £50 from the Exchequer;⁷ was apptd. a collr. of tunnage and poundage in the port of Bristol 1453; eschr., Oxon. and Berks., 1454-5. At the beginning of 1453, the King and Queen being at Greenwich, payment was made to Richard Bulstrode, master of the revels, for wages of painters, tailors, etc.,

¹ Sandwich accounts *per* Miss E. Scroggs.

² To be bur. in psh. ch. of Woolwich (near Eltham). Bequests to w. Anne, to s. and h. Wm., to John and Samson Sayer his wife's bros. Residue to Wm., who is principal exor. with John Lawes (P.C.C., 27 Milles).

³ *Ex inf.* J. M. Furley, from City Chamberlain's Rolls.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/341, 26/558.

⁵ *ibid.* 53/250.

⁶ Fine Roll, 35 Hen. VI (m.5).

⁷ Issue Roll, Easter 30 Hen. VI, No. 788.

for "disguising" at the manor of Pleasaunce at Xmas.¹ He was pardoned, 25 Sept. 1452, as "late of London", evidently a servant of the Crown. Collr. of customs and subsidy at Dover 1455;² pardoned by the Yorkists, 11 Aug. 1455, "as of Bucks. and of London, gent.", and 12 May 1458, as "late eschr. of Oxon. and Berks., late collector in the port of London, *alias* of Upton, Bucks., gent."

Under the Yorkists he was sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1473-4; J.P., Bucks., 1 June 1473 to 10 Nov. 1475; a comnr. 1472, 1476 and 1478; and a Bucks. elector 1467 and 1478. Robert Bulstrode, perhaps a son, was also elector in 1478. Richard was executor in 1465 of the will of his cousin John Norris of Bray (*q.v.*).

BULSTRODE, (Sir)³ WILLIAM (1460-1526); of Beaconsfield, Bucks. Usher of Chamber 1502-26, Customer of London 1509. M.P. Wallingford 1491-2.

S. and h. of Robert Bulstrode, who occurs in Bucks. 1467 and 1478; *m.* Maud who survived him; no surviving issue.

On Bucks. comn. 1484; J.P., Bucks., 1 July 1500 till death. He occurs frequently in the Privy Purse expenses of Queen Elizabeth of York 1502-3, and was probably already of the Chamber. For instance a servant of Bulstrode's is paid for bringing a present of pears to the Queen, 6 Apr. 1502; in May he borrowed £200 for the Queen's use and was repaid; apples and cherries were sent by him to the Queen on 6 July; he paid 7s. 6d., the Queen's offering to St. Edward and the relics at Westminster, Nov. 1502; venison was sent by her to him in London, 11 Nov. 1502; he was buying wine and fuel by command of the Queen, Feb. 1503.⁴

Queen Elizabeth died in 1503, and Bulstrode was transferred to the service of Queen Katherine. As one of the gent. ushers of the Chamber he was granted the office of keeper of Brandon forest, Wilts., 1504; as gent. usher he was at Henry VII's funeral⁵ and had stuff for gowns at the coronation of Queen Katherine.⁶ Apptd. collr. of subsidy and of customs in the Port of London, 19 June 1509; pardoned, 1509/10, as "of Bekensfield, Bucks. esq. one of the customers of wools in the port of London, *alias* s. and h. and exor. of Robert Bulstrode" (2, m.32). He remained with the Queen, accompanied her to the North in Aug. 1513,⁷ attended on her as gentleman usher at the Field of the Cloth of Gold, 1520, and was knighted and granted a £20 annuity on his retirement, 16 Apr. 1526.⁸ As he was one of those chosen to appoint the collrs. of subsidy from Bucks. 1523,⁹ he may well have sat in that Parliament. Indeed he was probably frequently M.P. for Wallingford.

D. 7 July 1526. Will dat. 28 Mar. 1520, with codicil on his deathbed 7 July 1526 (when called knt.), pr. 11 Apr. 1527.¹⁰ His son Reynold may well have been godson to Sir Reynold Bray.

¹ Q. Margaret's wardrobe book 1452, preserved in the Chancery of the Duchy of Lancaster (Miss Strickland, *Lives of the Queens*, i. 565).

² Issue Roll, Mich. 34 Hen. VI, No. 805.

³ Knighted between 4 Feb. 1525 and 7 July 1526.

⁴ *Privy Purse Expenses of Q. Elizabeth of York*, pp. 6, 12, 30, 36, 56, 58, 91.

⁵ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 15.

⁶ *Ibid.* i. 38, 41.

⁷ *Ibid.* ii. 1462.

⁸ *Ibid.* iii. 2132 (16).

⁹ *Ibid.* iii. 1364, 1456.

¹⁰ To be bur. in the ch. of Beaconsfield between his father and mother and Reynold his son. Bequests to Walter Bulstrode his bro., to sis. Anne Brooke widow, and to wife Maud. Codicil, 7 July 1526; similar bequests to w., to sis., and to Wm. Cely and Jane his wife. Maud to have land with stables, garden and windmill in psh. of St. Sepulchre, London (P.C.C., 22 Porch).

BURBAGE, JOHN (1430-83); of Lynn, merchant; Recorder of Lynn 1457-79. M.P. Lynn 1478.

Admtd. freeman of Lynn 1456/7; recorder 1457, *alias* town clerk;¹ mayor of Lynn 1479. But John Burbage, burgess and merchant of Lynn, with John Ulveston the eschr., dug up and carried off hidden treasure in "le chequer street", Lynn, 1482.²

Dead by 1483/5, when Robert Thoresby (*q.v.*) sued Beatrice late wife of John Burbage, who had been exor. of Simon Baxter (*q.v.*).³

BURDET, THOMAS (1420-77); of Arrow; Servt. to Duke of Clarence; lawyer. M.P. WARWICKSHIRE 1455-6. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir Nicholas Burdet of the same (slain at "Poyters" 1438)⁴ by Jane sis. and h. of Henry Bruyn of Belne and Hoblench, Warw.; *m.* (1) Anne (Agnes) da. of John Waldiffe;⁵ they were divorced; and (2) in 1456 he had licence to marry Margaret widow of John Hill and da. of John Rodney⁶ by whom he had a son Nicholas, whose custody was granted to Sir Simon Montfort in 1478.⁷

He was bound to the peace in co. Warwick in 1445, and in Jan. 1449 he and his widowed mother were pardoned outlawry for not appearing. In May 1450 he went with the Staffords of Grafton to burn out the Harcourts at Stanton-Harcourt, for which he was pardoned in Nov. In July 1450 he was one of those apptd. by Parlt. to allot the subsidy in co. Warwick. Pardoned again, 5 Nov. 1452, as "of Arowe, esq." (*m.*11). J.P. Warw., of the quorum, 13 Dec. 1453 to 22 Nov. 1458; on a Warw. comn. in July 1453; pardoned outlawry for not appearing, Feb. 1454. Pardoned while M.P., 20 Oct. 1455, "of Arowe, late of Belle, Worcs." (*m.*23), and 8 Jan. 1458, as "late of Arowe, esq." (*m.*39.) In 1456 he divorced his wife Anne, and had licence to marry Margaret widow of John Hill esq.⁸ In 1455/7 Katherine wife of Sir William Peyto and widow of Thomas Stafford sued Burdet, Throckmorton, Robert Russell of Strensham, Thomas Wynslowe of Corslaundes and others for riotous assaults on herself and her tenants.⁹ He was made sheriff, Worcs., 1459-60 and served his term through; and with the other ex-Lancastrians he was pardoned, 4 Feb. 1462, "*alias* sheriff of Worcs., *alias* sub-sheriff of Worcs." (*m.*33).

Burdet was ever in Chancery or trouble. John Rous of Raggelby sued him for breach of peace on two occasions;¹⁰ Richard Torpurley sued him. In Oct. 1465 there were riots against him.¹¹ He was feoffee for that determined Lancastrian John Hampton of Stourton Castle, Staffs. Both were charged with rioting, when it may very well have been the other way. In 1465/70 Thomas Burdet son and heir of Dame Jane, late wife of Sir Nicholas Burdet, sued Thomas and John Higgefard, as feoffees for uses, for the manor of Bromcote beside Polesworth, late of Humphrey, late duke of Buckingham.¹² He obtained his last pardon, 8 Apr. 1470, "of St. Augustines near Bristol, esq., *alias* late of Arrowe, Warw., *alias* late of Bell, *alias*

¹ Lestrangle, *Norfolk Official Lists*, 202.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1482), 303.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/84.

⁴ *Visitn. Warw.*

⁵ *Geneal. N.S.* xxvi. 212.

⁶ Dugdale, *Warwickshire*, p. 847.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1478), 102.

⁸ *ibid.* (1456), 327.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 15/77.

¹⁰ *ibid.* 27/349, 407.

¹¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1465), 414.

¹² *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/149.

of Belbroughton" (m.2). Throughout 1470-1 he followed Clarence, but Clarence could not save him. Stace, the astronomer, being examined, did name as his accomplice Thomas Burdet of Arrowe; and so Burdet was indicted of High Treason. He was attainted in that he had some years before, on 20 Apr. 1474, "treasonably imagined and compassed the death of the King". Edward, hunting in Warwickshire, had slain a buck on Burdet's land and it was whispered that Burdet, when told, had expressed the wish that the stag's horns had been in the belly of him who killed it. Billing (*q.v.*), the Chief Justice, saw him safely to the gibbet in the end, but that was not till 20 May 1477, and Burdet might well protest his innocence in a long and spirited speech at Tyburn with the rope round his neck.¹ Even then Clarence did not take the warning.

BURGESS (BURGEYS), JOHN (1400-55); of Bridport. M.P. Bridport 1435, 1442,² 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1450-1.

Bailiff of Bridport 1435, 1436, 1439-40, 1440-1, 1445-6. In Michaelmas 1439 William Hore and John Befe were apprenticed to John Burges and Agnes, his wife.³ John Burgess was not, therefore, the man of that name who was yeoman of the Catery in 1441 and gaoler of Norwich; nor probably was he the John Burgess of Kirkysam, Devon, merchant, who sues for trespass in 1434.

BURGESS (BURGEYS), ROBERT (1415-65); of Maldon. M.P. Maldon 1447, 1449-50.

He was made free of Maldon in 1436; a wardman 1440; bailiff of Maldon 1441, 1442, 1446, 1447, 1460;⁴ an elector of Maldon in 1455. The Maldon Court Books record that he and Richard Syslingham were paid 4s. and were owed 16s. for going to Parlt. in 1447, and no doubt he was bailiff of the boro' when then elected to Parliament.

BURGH (ABOROW), Hon. Sir EDWARD (1464-1528); of Gainsborough, Knight of the Body 1487-96. M.P. LINCOLNSHIRE 1491-2, 1495.

S. and h. of Sir Thomas Burgh, M.P., lord Burgh (1430-96), by Margaret (Roos) (*d.* 1488); *m.* 1477 Anne, da. and h. of Sir Thomas Cobham of Sterboro', widow of Edward Blount, second lord Mountjoy—she being *suo jure* Baroness Cobham of Sterboro'. They had Thomas who was summoned to Parlt. as Lord Burgh, 1529. But Sir Edward was never summoned, and in 1510 was found to be an idiot.

Kntd. at Stoke, 16 June 1487, and steward of Tickhill⁵ and knt. of the Body by Mar. 1489. J.P. Lindsey, 12 Mar. 1491 till removed in 1500. However he acted as interpreter at the meeting with Lord Querdes, the French Ambassador, in 1492,⁶ won 13s. 4d. off King Henry at the cross-bow buttes the same year,⁷ and

¹ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 188.

² It should be noted that both members for Bridport in 1442 (elected Dec. 1441), Oliver and Burgess, were the joint bailiffs of Bridport in 19 Hen. VI., *i.e.*, 1440-1.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 14.

⁴ Maldon Court Books 1/1.

⁵ Pollard, *Doc. Illust.*, ii. 69.

⁶ Gairdner, *Let. & Pap.* ii. 291.

⁷ Pollard, *op. cit.*, ii. 228.

was a challenger, and victor on the third day, in the Tournaments of 9-13 Nov. 1494¹. He succeeded to his father's estates on 18 Mar. 1496, and *d.* 20 Aug. 1528.²

BURGH, Sir JOHN (1414-71); of Wattlesboro' and Cause. M.P. SALOP 1445-6, 1453-4. Lancastrian.

Born 12 June 1414 at Wattlesboro' and baptised in Alberbury church, one sponsor being John, lord Talbot. S. and h. of Hugh Burgh of the same; *m.* Jane da. and ultimately h. of Sir William Clopton of Radbroke. She *m.* (2) William Porte;³ their da. Ankaret Burgh *m.* John Leighton, M.P.

As he called himself Seigneur d'Ollonde by the castle of Cherbourg he probably fought under Talbot in France;⁴ sheriff, Salop, 1441-2; knt. 1442/5; pardoned, 12 July 1446, as "of Watlesburgh, knt., late sheriff" (m.7); heads the list of Salop electors 1447, 1455; again sheriff 1448-9, 1452-3, returning himself to Parlt.; J.P., Salop, 4 July 1449 to 1 Sept. 1460, removed by the Yorkists; on all the Lancastrian comns. in Salop 1449 to Mar. 1460. He was pardoned, with other Lancastrians, 11 Apr. 1462, under the same description as before, and again in 1468—also sheriff again 1463-4. The Readeption govt. put him on their Salop comns. and restored him to the bench, 6 Dec. 1470-1; he may again have been knight of the shire. Edward IV pardoned his widow, "Jane Porte, late of Southwark, widow, *alias* late wife of John Burgh, late of Wattelysburgh, Salop, knt., *alias* wife of William Porte, esq.", 10 Feb. 1472.

D. 1 June 1471, when John s. of William Newport, aged 21, Thomas Leighton aged 18, Isabel, aged 30, and Elizabeth, aged 26, wife of William Mytton esq., were his heirs. A man of great magnificence, owner of Cause and of all the Domesday lands of the Corbets.⁴ Arms:—Azure, 3 fleurs de lys ermine.

BURGH (BEREWE), JOHN (1420-75); Yeoman of the Crown 1449-60, Porter of Wallingford 1453-60, Gauger of Bristol 1456-60. M.P. Wallingford 1453-4; (Derby boro' 1459?).

Probably a cadet of Burgh of Gainsborough, Lincs.; *m.*, temp. Edward IV, Anne sis. of Christopher Urswick, dean of Windsor.⁵

It may be the M.P. who, as "of Surrey, gent", was a mainpernor for Piers Preston, yeoman of the Crown, on 1 May 1444; and for whom on 28 June, as "John Berewe of our Chamber", Richard Friston of London, gent., went mainprize.⁶ The King's serjeant, John Burgh, yeoman of the Crown, had a grant of 6*d.* a day out of Merston, Wilts., in Jan. 1449. On 10 Apr. 1453, while M.P. for Wallingford, he and Richard Bentham were made joint porters of Wallingford; exempted from resumption, as yeoman of the Crown, 1449/50, 1455. One of the 23 yeomen in 1454, and had livery of cloth 1455, 1458.⁷ Burgh was made gauger of Bristol, Mar. 1456; and in Jan. 1460 this yeoman of the Crown for good service against Richard, duke of York, was made warrener of Brayle's, Warw., forfeited

¹ Kingsford, *Chronicle of London*, 202; *Lincs. N. and Q.*, i. 190.

² *Comp. Peer.* ii. 422; *Foedera*, II. iv. 135.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 48'24.

⁴ *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

⁵ *Lincolnshire Pedigrees*, i. 207.

⁶ *Fine Roll*, 22 Hen. VI (m.6).

⁷ *Enr. Accts.* 361/6.

by the Earl of Warwick. He rallied to the Yorkists; had the forfeited lands in Lincs. of John Maidenwell and Tailboys of Kyme in 1462 and 1465; was eschr. Lincs. 1463-4; exempted in respect of those lands in 1467; J.P., Lindsey, 3 May to 23 Nov. 1470; on a Lincs. comn. May 1471; and in 1472 Parlt. stipulated that the grant of the Duchy of Cornwall to the Prince of Wales should not prejudice John Burgh esq.¹

It is possible that he is also the 1459 M.P. for Derby. Although that town usually sent local burgesses to Parlt., yet King's servants were also returned for Derby—see Chatterley.

BURGH, JOHN. M.P. Derby Boro' 1459.

Undiscovered.

BURGH, JOHN (1450-1500); of Lyme Regis, merchant. M.P. Lyme 1478, (? 1484), 1491-2.

Pardoned, 10 June 1484, as of Lyme, Dorset, merchant; mayor of Lyme 1491-2;² eschr., Som. and Dorset, 5 Nov. 1495-98.

Thomas Burgh, M.P. Lyme in 1529, may be his s. or g. s.

BURGH, ROBERT (1460-1510); of Norwich, scrivener. M.P. Norwich 1497, 1504.

Sheriff of Norwich 1494-5; on a gaol delivery comn. there 1507; pardoned, 30 Oct. 1508, as merchant *alias* scrivener of Norwich, for all shearings of pieces of "worsteddis, sayes, and stamyns", and for the keeping of persons called "sherman of worsted" or "worsted sherers" contrary to the Act of 11 Henry VII (1495).³

BURGH, THOMAS (1395-1456/7); of Lynn, merchant. Controller of Customs. M.P. Lynn 1425, 1435, 1437, 1439-40, 1445-6, 1450-1.

His goods and those of the men of Lynn had been taken by Hamburg merchants in 1429;⁴ sworn to the peace in Norfolk 1434; comnr. of kidells in Norfolk 1431; mayor of Lynn 1434-5; burgess and merchant of Lynn 1437;⁵ J.P., Lynn, 20 Feb. 1437 till death; alderman by 1440; controller of customs at Lynn, exercising that office in person, Feb. 1437, while burgess in Parlt.

D. 1456/7.⁶

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 16.

² *Ex inf.* Mr. Wanklyn.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1508), 612.

⁴ He was sent to Bruges "in the Kynges Ambassial" . . . "like as he is assigned be the Kynges comission and commanded to be a privie seal" to ask for "restitucion and reformacioun" of "the grevaunces dammages and wronges and other harmes . . . be them of the Hanse done to men of this toun of Lenn" (Lynn Hall Books, 1435).

⁵ The unusual description as burgess was perhaps because he was then burgess to or in Parlt. (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*. 1437, 14).

⁶ On the comn. of the peace 12 Mar. 1456, but not on that of Jan. 1458.

BURGH, Sir THOMAS (1430-96); K.G., of Gainsborough (Lord Burgh 1487), squire and knight of the Body 1461-83, Master of the Horse 1465-83. M.P. LINCOLNSHIRE 1467-8, 1478, (perhaps 1483 (1), 1484, 1485). Sumnd. 1487, 1489-90, 1491-2, 1495.

S. and h. of Thomas Burgh of same by Elizabeth (*d.* 1455) da. and coh. of Sir Henry Percy of Harthill (Athille), Yorks., and wife (2) of Sir William Lucy M.P.; *m.* 1462/4 Margaret (*d.* 1488) widow of William, lord Botreaux, and da. of Thomas, lord Roos. Their son Edward M.P. (1464-1528) was never sumnd. to Parlt.

Pardoned, 4 Oct. 1455, as "s. and h. of Thomas Burgh, deceased, cousin and h. of John Burgh, esq., late of Colthorpe, Yorks, deceased" (m.26); feoffee of Kimbolton for Humphrey, duke of Buckingham, in 1458, and on Lancastrian comns. in Lincs. in June 1460. Sheriff, Lincs., 1460-1; kntd. 1461/4, being exempted from resumption (1464) as Thomas Burgh, knight, *alias* esq.,¹ and again as knight 1467/8.² In this last Parlt. he was one of the M.P.s on the committee to investigate the charges against Hugh Brice.³ His interests were safeguarded in the grants to the Queen 1467/8, and to the Prince of Wales in 1472,⁴ when Burgh was again exempted from resumption.⁵

In 1469 a quarrel between Burgh of Gainsborough and Lord Willoughby and Welles started the rebellion in Lincs., which culminated that winter in the destruction of Burgh's house. Edward IV came down and Lincolnshire rose in fear of reprisals, collapsing at Loosecoat Field.⁶ Presumably Burgh did not go into exile with Edward as he was pardoned by the Radeption government, "of Gainsborough, Knt., *alias* J.P. late knight of the body, late squire of the body, late Master of the Horse, late constable of Lincoln castle, late sheriff of Lincs." In 1475 he was one of the King's feoffees⁷ and went to France with him with 16 men at arms and 160 archers;⁸ one of Edward's Council in France.⁹ Edward's feoffee again in 1481;¹⁰ exempted from Act of Apparell 1483 (Jan.).¹¹ He must have adhered to Richard III; pardoned 1 June 1484—"Thomas Burgh, knight, *alias* Knight of Body to Edward IV, *alias* late Master of the Horse to Edward IV, *alias* s. and h. of Elizabeth who was wife of William Luci, deceased, late dau. of Henry Percy" (m.29). Richard made him K.G. and a Privy Councillor and as such sent him, 2 Feb. 1485, to treat with the ambassador of the Duke of Brittany about Henry Tudor;¹² but he avoided Bosworth and adhered triumphantly to Henry VII.

The Parlt. 1485/6 exempted him and his son Edward from resumption of Edward IV's grant of £40 per annum for the offices of steward of Kirketon and Somerton castles, constable of Lincoln castle, master of the game at Hatfield, Thorn and Gainsborough.¹³ Pardoned, 18 Feb. 1486;¹⁴ sumnd. to the Lords 1487 as Lord Burgh of Gainsborough.

D. 1496. Will, dat. 18 Feb., pr. in P.C.C., 19 May 1496.

¹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 527. ² *ibid.* 581, 624. ³ *ibid.* 635. ⁴ *ibid.* vi. 16.

⁵ *ibid.* 80. ⁶ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 509. ⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 122.

⁸ *Foedera*, V. iii. 57. ⁹ *ibid.* 65.

¹⁰ *Cal. Charter Rolls*, vi. 353. ¹¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 221.

¹² *Foedera*, V. iii. 160. ¹³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 377.

¹⁴ As s. and h. of Elizabeth a da. and coh. of Henry Percy, late "Earl" of Athille and wife of Sir William Lucy (m.8).

BURGH (BERGH), WALTER (1415-70); of London and Downton. Bp. of Winchester's servt. M.P. Downton 1450-1.

He was a tenant of the bp. of Winchester in Downton 1440 onwards;¹ was made controller of customs at Yarmouth, 6 May 1451, during the sitting of Parliament. After the Parliament of 1450-1 was dissolved, Burgh, the Bp. of Winchester's man, accused Oldhall, the late Speaker, of stealing Somerset's goods at the Black Friars. The Yorkist London mob fell upon Burgh in the streets;² but, as King's servant, Burgh was granted in Dec. 1452 all arrears of farm due to Oldhall from Sir William Skipwith. Finally when Oldhall was outlawed, Mar. 1453, Burgh had his goods, Somerset and Pembroke his lands.² Burgh was on a Wilts. jury 1456;³ he was pardoned the £40 by which he had mainperned Katherine Cervington, 10 Oct. 1457, and was also granted the £40 due from the other mainpernor and 100 marks due from Kath. Cervington;⁴ he witnessed a Hungerford grant in Wilts. 1464,⁵ and was a Wilts. elector in 1467.

BURGHILL, THOMAS (1420-75); of London, gent., King's servant (?). M.P. Old Sarum 1450-1.

On 27 May 1447 Thomas Burghill, gent., and Richard Maffen of Salop, gent., were mainpernors for John Parker de la fforde esq. and Richard Bullesden for the farm of the subsidy and ulnage on wool in Salop.⁶ On 9 June 1451 Thomas Burghill of London, gent., and John Hille of London were mainpernors for Thomas Fitzharry (*q.v.*) for the keeping of lands in London.⁶

The name is a Herefordshire one, but this man was made controller of customs in Bristol, 8 Apr. 1454, to exercise the office in person. He was feoffee for uses of a tenement in Southwark 1467/72;⁷ so that all things considered he may well have been a King's servant.

BURGOYNE, JOHN (1450-1505); of Impington, ? lawyer. M.P. CAMBRIDGESHIRE 1491-2.

S. and h. of John, 2nd s. of Thomas Burgoyne M.P. (1405-70).⁸

J.P., Cambridge, 1471 and 1493 till death; J.P., Cambs., 16 Feb. 1479 to 11 Feb. 1502; elector, Cambs., 1472, 1478; on Cambs. comns. from 1479, including the subsidy comns. of Apr. 1483, Jan. 1488, and 1504, and all the gaol deliveries of Cambridge, Wisbech and Huntingdon—so that he was probably a lawyer.

D. 1505, bur. at Impington, M.I., with his wife. In 1507 Margaret Heveningham and Elizabeth Burgoyne, sisters and heirs of Thomas, s. and h. of John Burgoyne (s. of John Burgoyne s. of Thomas Burgoyne), had licence of entry on the lands late of John Burgoyne.⁸

BURGOYNE, THOMAS (1405-70); of Impington, Cambs., lawyer, Under Sheriff of London 1441-70. M.P. CAMBRIDGESHIRE 1442.; London 1445-6; Bridgewater 1447.

¹ Bp. of Winchester's Pipe Roll (P.R.O.).

² See art. on Sir William Oldhall.

³ *Tropenell Cart.* ii. 58.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1457), 389.

⁵ *Tropenell Cart.* ii. 123.

⁶ Fine Roll, 29 Hen. VI (m.17).

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 41/137.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1507), 537.

S. and h. of John Burgoyne of Dry Drayton, Cambs. M.P. (*d.* 1434/5) by a da. of Thomas Payton ; *m.* (1) Isabel da. of Adam Book, (2) Alice ; leaving, presumably by the first wife, a s. and h., Thomas Burgoyne of Long Stanton, Cambs.¹

He was nominated to the church of Harleton in Ely as a trustee of Thomas Hoo 1435 ; pardoned 1437 ;² J.P., Cambridge Town, 1437 till death ; J.P., Cambs., of the quorum, 6 July 1441 to 6 Mar. 1455 and 18 July 1459 till death ; under sheriff of London from 1441 to 1470 ; continually on comns. in Cambs., London and Kent from 1440 to 1467, including the Lancastrian comn. of array in Dec. 1459 ; a trustee of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, Smithfield, 1446 ; returned for Bridgwater 1447, and in that Parliament presented a petition as exōr. of John Brokley ;³ exōr. of the will of John Wood, cit. and grocer of London, 1452 ; a benefactor of Ramsey Abbey 1453 ; one of a small city deputation which went to Hertford to see the Queen 1455 ;⁴ pardoned 16 Mar. 1458, as of London, late of Impington ; on the deputation to Coventry 1459, to assure the King of the city's loyalty, and again in 1460 to refuse to raise an army against the Duke of York.⁵ He was a feoffee of land in Hever, Kent, for William Isley (*q.v.*), 1461 ;⁶ exor. for the will of Geoffrey Boleyn (*q.v.*) 1463.

D. shortly before 13 May 1470, when his writ of *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr.⁷ Will, dat. 22 July 1468, pr. 28 Feb. 1471.⁸

BURITON (BURYTON), JOHN ; of Hereford. M.P. Hereford city 1453-4.

Perhaps yr. s. of William Buryton, M.P. (and bro. of Thomas Buriton, M.P. (1414-80)) by Margaret da. of Rowland Walwyn.⁹

An elector of Hereford city in 1450.

BURITON (BYRYTON), THOMAS (1415-80) ; of Hereford. M.P. Hereford city 1442, 1447, 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1467-8.

S. of William Buryton, M.P. Hereford 1421-1437. His father was an elector when his son was first returned ; *m.* a da. of Bydlyke (or Bridlip).⁹

Eschr., Heref. and the Marches, 1445-6 ; elector, Hereford city and county, 1453, and of Hereford city 1460 ; but an elector of Salop 1450, 1472 and 1478 ; mayor of Hereford 1462, 1465, 1470.⁹

BURLEY (BURLEGH), JOHN (1410-70) ; Yeoman of the Crown 1449-59. M.P. Chippenham 1450-1 ; Bath 1455-6 (Burreley).¹⁰

¹ *Visitn. Cambs.* 25.

² Thomas Burgoyne of London, s. of John Burgoyne decd., and Isabella, wife of the aforesaid Thomas, da. of Adam Book, tenants of the manor of Impington.

³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 129-30.

⁴ *Jor.* 5, fos. 264d, 265.

⁵ *Jor.* 6, fos. 145, 196d.

⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, p. 288.

⁷ *Fine Roll*, 10 Edw. IV (m.9).

⁸ Thomas Burgoyne, vice-sheriff of London. To be bur. at St. Bartholomew's, Smithfield, next to Isabel, his wife ; but if he died nearer to Impington, then to be bur. there. Alice his wife survives ; Thomas is his s. and h. ; John his s., and Anne and Elizabeth his das. (P.C.C., 1 Wattys).

⁹ Williams, *Herefordshire M.P.s.*

¹⁰ But *cf.* John Burley, M.P. Chippenham 1295 ; Roger Burley, M.P. Bath 1358 ; Robert Burley, M.P. Melcombe 1467 ; John Burley, keeper of Devizes 1485.

Perhaps a cadet of the Burleys of Burley, Heref. In 1436 a John Burley was owed £20 in London. John Burley, yeoman of the Crown, was exempted from the Act of Resumption of 1449-50. He was one of the 23 yeomen of the Crown on the King's reduced establishment in 1454, and he had liveries of clothes in 1455/6 and 1458/9. The Yorkists in Nov. 1461 made him warrener of Cookham and Bray, Berks., and a John Burley appears on a jury panel in Wilts. in 1467.¹

BURLEY, ROBERT.

M.P. Melcombe 1467-8.

This man was a Wilts. elector 1478, occurs as a juror at Salisbury 1461, 1462, 1470, 1473.² He might be son of that John Burley M.P. for Chippenham 1450, Bath 1453. He is not the contemporary Robert Burley of Cambs.

BURLEY (BOERLEY), WILLIAM (1390-1459); of Bromcroft, lawyer and Speaker. M.P. SALOP 1417, 1419, 1420, 1421 (May), 1422, 1425, 1427-8, 1429-30, 1431, 1432, 1433, 1435, 1437 (SPEAKER), 1439-40, 1442, 1445-6 (SPEAKER), 1449-50, 1450-1, 1455-6. Yorkist.

Second s. but h. of John Burley of Bromcroft in Corvedale, M.P., *d.* 1415.³

He was standing counsel for Shrewsbury; sheriff, Salop, 15 Jan. to Dec. 1426; eschr., Salop, 1416-7 and 1432-3.⁴ Elected Speaker, 19 Mar. 1437, *vice* Sir John Tyrell, who was ill; but only for 8 days on this occasion as the dissolution took place on 27 Mar. J.P., Salop., 13 Feb. 1439 to 16 June 1453 and 7 Dec. 1453 till death. Again elected Speaker 26 Feb. 1445 to 9 Apr. 1446; elector, Salop, 1447 and 1453, the two years in which he was not elected to Parlt. He appears on a large number of comns. for Salop., being "of the *quorum*" as early as 1434; and in 1435 he was made steward of Oswestry and of all the lands and castles late of John, earl of Arundel, in Salop. He was exempted from the Act of Resumption 1449-50, and became a partisan of the Duke of York. Pardoned Apr. 1453;⁵ but in June 1453 he was omitted from the Bench during the temporary Lancastrian revival. In 1455 he headed the deputation from the Commons to the Lords to urge York's appointment as Protector; pardoned again 20 Nov. 1455.⁶

D. 10 Aug. 1459, when Jane, aged 33, wife of Thomas Lyttelton, and William Trussel junior, aged 19, s. of Thomas Trussel (of Billesley, Warw.)⁶ and Elizabeth his wife, the other da. of William Burley, were his heirs. It is not known whom he married, but apparently his eldest son, John, died *v.p.* 1444/5. His da. Jane *m.* (1) Sir Philip Chetwynd, and (2) Sir Thomas Lyttelton, the Chief Justice, by whom Richard Lyttelton (*q.v.*).

He had by far the longest political career of any Knight of the Shire, and showed great consistency of opinion and action—"left behind him a noble name for honour and a particular knowledge of the law". It will be noted that the two Parlts. from which he was absent; those of 1447 and 1453, were just the

¹ Anc. Indicts. of K.B. (P.R.O.).

² *ibid.*

³ *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

⁴ He must not be confounded with William Burley of Shrewsbury, M.P. for that town in 1427; the eschr. may be this man.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 7 Apr. 1453, as "of Bromcroft, Salop, esq., *alias* late of London"; also Roll, 20 Nov. 1455 (m.13).

⁶ *Dict. Nat. Biog.* art. Wm. Burley.

two Parlt. which were markedly antagonistic to his views. The fact that he was never knighted and received few grants, if any, indicates an unusual independence and lack of deference to government.¹

"BURNEBY," THOMAS. M.P. Launceston 1461-2.

Undiscovered ; probably Thomas Limbury (*q.v.*).

BURNELL, RICHARD (1445-1508) ; of Wells, merchant. M.P. Wells 1484, 1495.

He was admitted freeman of Wells by marrying the widow of a freeman 1469,² and may be s. of a Tristram Burnell who was a Somerset elector 1447. He was pardoned, 12 Jan. 1472, "of Wells, yeoman, gent., merchant" ; and died 1508. Will, dat. 14 Apr., pr. 22 May 1508.³

BURSELL, THOMAS ; of Romney. M.P. Romney 1489-90.

A local burgess, for in 1492 he was assessed in Romney and paid 15s. 5*d.* as his share of the 15th.⁴

BURTON, JOHN (1420-70) ; of Norwich. M.P. Norwich 1460-1.

Exor. of the will of William Burton 1452. Having lent money to the King he and others had licence to ship wool from Ipswich, 1454 ; on various East Anglian comms. in 1460 ; sheriff of Norwich 1462 ;⁵ on the Norwich panel, "on of the most discrete," 1468.⁶ He may be the citizen and mercer of London who occurs 1460-5.

BURTON, NICHOLAS (1430-93/4) ; of Sandwich, merchant. M.P. Sandwich 1472-5, 1485-6, 1491-2.

It seems possible that it was the same man who was mayor of Dover 1458-9, and more probable that he was bailiff of Dover from before 1467 till after 1471, except during the Readeption ;⁷ possible but improbable that he was the Nicholas Burton who was appointed controller of customs in Bristol to act in person 1454. One or other Nicholas was exempted from Resumption in 1464 and 1467.⁸ Certainly he was mayor of Sandwich 1471-2 and elected to Parlt. while mayor ; again mayor in 1482 and, in lieu of John King, in 1483. He was elected to Parlt. 3 Sept. 1472, 26 Oct. 1485 and 22 Sept. 1491⁷—ordered to survey and advise on

¹ On 24 Feb. 1440 William Burley was given £5 special reward "for his diligence in the late Parliament at Reading in certain matters specially touching the King's comfort." (Issue Roll, No. 736, 18 Hen. VI.) The Reading Parliament sat from 14 Jan. to 9 Feb. 1440. There is a smaller similar payment at the same time to Richard Blyke, the member for Bridgnorth.

² Wells City Charters in *Som. Rec. Soc.* 153.

³ To be bur. in St. Cuthberts, Wells, next to w. Jane. Bequest to cousin Margaret Marchall. Residue to w. Isabell and she sole exix. (P.C.C., 35 Adeane.)

⁴ *Arch. Cant.* xvii. 24*n*, quoting Lay Subsidies, Cinque Ports, 230/187.

⁵ Strange, *Norfolk Official Lists*, p. 103.

⁶ *Anc. Indicts. of K.B.* (P.R.O.).

⁷ Sandwich records, *ex inf.* Miss E. Scroggs.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* v. 531, 583.

the enlargement of the port of Sandwich, Feb. 1484, and later founded Burton's chantry at Sandwich.

He *d.* 1493/4. Will pr. at Canterbury 1493/4, described as merchant of Sandwich.¹

BURTON, SEMANN (1410-76); ald. of Hull,² merchant. M.P. Hull 1449-50.

He was chamberlain of Hull 1435; bailiff 1437; alderman 1440,³ 1450, 1467, 1472; controller of customs and subsidy at Yarmouth 1442-9;⁴ pardoned, June 1449; a mercht. in Hull 1453; elector, Hull, 1449 (1); mayor of Hull 1451; comnr., Yorks, 1454. He ought to have *d.* in Apr. 1464, for the deposition as to Sir John Fastolf's will mentions that it was publicly noised at Yarmouth that Robert Brown, a chaplain of that town, had killed one Semann Burton.⁵ But the public noise was incorrect, for Semann Burton of Hull, mercht., was pardoned, 30 Jan. 1469.

There was a Simon Burton who was on Lincs. comns. 1463-72, was made deputy butler at Lynn in 1471, who is probably the same man. But there was also Simon Burton—a lawyer—who was J.P., Rutland and N'hants., 1470 to 1476. This may or may not be the same man.

BURTON, THOMAS (1400-47); of Loughborough. M.P. Leicester boro' 1442, 1447.

S. and h. of Thomas Burton of Rutland (living 1428).

Sheriff of Rutland 1439-40; in 1443 £2 was owed to Thomas Burton, esq. in London; a feoffee of land in Leicester, dead in 1459.⁶

Will, dat. 27 Mar. 1447, no proof.⁷

BURTON, THOMAS (1440-1500); of Buckden, lawyer. M.P. HUNTINGDONSHIRE 1478, (? 1487), 1491-2.

A John Burton was M.P. Hunts. 1407, and may be his grandfather. A Thomas Burton was a Hunts. elector 1453 and may be his father.

J.P., Hunts., of the quorum, 5 Dec. 1473 till death; a feoffee of Buckden and Beachampstead in 1476, 1485 and 1497;⁸ on Hunts. comns. 1486 to 1497, *i.e.*, the subsidy comn. of Jan. 1488, and gaol deliveries 1486, 1488, 1490, 1492, 1493, 1495, 1497 twice, in Huntingdon and Ramsey, also oyer and terminer 1495, all of which leads one to suppose that he was a lawyer. These Thomas Burtons must have been pardoned, but such have escaped the search.

¹ Will in P.R.C. 1493/4. (C. 3. 368.) ² *cf.* Conan Burton, M.P. for Hull, 1338.

³ *Ex inf.* A. S. Harvey, from Hull Corporation records.

⁴ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

⁵ *Paston Letters*, ii. 156.

⁶ 12 Nov. 1459, release from John Reynold of Leicester to Richard Pelle of the King's Household of lands in Leics. which he lately held with Thomas Burton and Adam Racy, now dead (Bateson, *Leicester*, 427).

⁷ To be bur. in Loughborough church beside his two wives; bequests to a dozen churches, etc., to sons, William and Thomas, to Rawfe my child, to Anneys my servant, the rest illegible (P.C.C., 28 Luffenham).

⁸ G. T. Turner, *Hunts. Feet of Fines*, pp. 112, 113, 115.

BURY, THOMAS OF ; of Berrynarbor, Devon ? M.P. Weymouth 1447.

In 1454 Thomas of Bury was one of the wandering rebels who were to be arrested. In 1473 a Thomas Bury was arrested in Sussex. Thomas à Bury, son of Jane, da. of Thomas Arnyate, sued John Wolf, the feoffee of Thomas, for lands in Kingston-on-Thames. And a Thomas Bury occurs at Martinhoe, Devon, c. 1482. In 1480/3 he sued for the manor of Berrynarbor, Devon.¹

But it does not seem very likely that these were the same man, or that they sat for Weymouth.

BURY, WILLIAM (1410-71) ; of Whitchurch, Hants. Purveyor of the Household 1449-60, Serjeant of the Pantry 1457-60, Ranger of Wolmer 1459-60, lawyer. M.P. Shoreham 1449-50. Lancastrian.

In 1433 and again in 1437 Elizabeth Colney names Bury as one of her attornies in Ireland ; a feoffee in Northbourne, Kent, 1438 ;² had licence to ship 500 qrs. of barley from Yarmouth to victual Colchester, Dec. 1439 ; J.P., Essex, of the quorum, 17 Feb. 1441 to 15 Nov. 1455, when removed by the Yorkists. He was on Suff. and Essex comms. from 1447 till the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459—including several gaol deliveries at Colchester. William was apptd. and reapptd. purveyor of the Household 1449 to Aug. 1460 ; and from June 1457 he is called "Serjeant of the Pantry". The pantler was pardoned arrears of account, May 1459 ; and he was re-made ranger of Wolmer, Hants, with 2*d.* a day, 6 July 1459. His arrest was ordered by the Yorkists, 14 Jan. 1461, but he was pardoned with the other Lancastrians, 12 Feb. 1462, as "of Whitchurch, Hants, gent., *alias* of London" (m.43).

In 1460/5 John Tracy of Chislehurst sued William of Bury for land in Chislehurst.³ While in 1467/72 William Bury of the Inner Temple sued the bailiffs of Ipswich for false processes of debt issued by Gilbert Debenham.⁴

And such a man *d.* 20 Dec. 1471 when Robert, aged 3, was his s. and h. ; lands—Essex. No doubt the pantler was of Hants, and the Essex lawyer might sit for Shoreham through the influence of the Duke of Norfolk, but the only link between lawyer and pantler is a common adherence to Lancaster and a common name.

BUSH (BUSSHE), WILLIAM. M.P. Northampton boro' 1449 (1).

Undiscovered in Northampton. A *John* Bush was bailiff of Easton, N'hants., in 1479, so that the M.P. is not likely to be a carpet-bagger, especially as Northampton almost always returned local men.

BUSSELL, ROGER (1425-83) ; of Hull, merchant.⁵ M.P. Hull, Jan. 1483.

Sheriff of Hull 1461-2 ; elector, Hull, 1467-72.

D. 1483, presumably leaving a son Roger who was M.P. Hull in 1510. Will, dat. 2 June, pr. at York 13 Sept. 1483.⁵

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 62/240.

³ *ibid.* 27/318.

⁴ *ibid.* 11/516.

² *ibid.* 9/299.

⁵ See Will at York (5. 87).

BUTCHER (BOCHER), ROGER.

M.P. Wells 1491-2.

Perhaps a local man since a man of the same name was pledge for an admitted freeman in 1410.¹

BUTCHER (BOCHER), THOMAS (1445-96); of Dover, shipowner.
M.P. Dover 1491-2.

Keeper of Dover 1481;² jurat, Dover, 1483-96.²

D. 1496. Will, dat. Mar., pr. in Canterbury Probate Regr., 22 Sept. 1496.³

BUTLER (BOTELER), HENRY (1415-90); Recorder of Coventry 1455-90,⁴ lawyer. M.P. Bedwin 1449 (1); Coventry 1460-1, (? 1461-2, 1463-5), 1467-8, 1470-1, 1472-5, 1478.

M., probably as his second wife, Isabel, widow of Thomas Warde of Kenilworth, Warw., farmer of the subsidy and yeoman of the Crown to Edward IV. and Richard III.⁵

Pardoned, 8 Feb. 1437, as "of Coventry, gent."; J.P., Warw., of the quorum, 20 Nov. 1457 to 16 Dec. 1460, 14 July 1461 to Dec. 1470, 6 Dec. 1471 till death; on Warws. comns. 1465 to 1489, including many gaol deliveries and comns. of oyer, including also all those of 1483-4. In the Parlt. of 1467-8 he was one of those apptd. to investigate the charges against the Governor of the Mint; acted as lawyer for John, duke of Suffolk, July 1468; took no part in the Readeption. For a short period after 24 Sept. 1474 he was J.P. for Devon, Somerset, Glos., and Worcs.—doubtless a Justice of Assize. Butler was one of those Warwickshire J.P.s who, in 1477, at Clarence's wish, sentenced Ankaret Twyneho to death.⁵ During the Parliament of 1478 (in which he sat and in which Clarence was sentenced) he was apptd. with Vaughan the Treasurer, Say the Under Treasurer, Elrington and Wingfield, the Treasurer and Controller of the Household, to examine the accounts of Clarence's lands.⁶ He accommodated himself to Richard III and to Henry VII. Pardoned, 5 Feb. 1486, as "of Coventry, gent., *alias* Recorder of Coventry"; and 5 July 1486.⁷

D. 1490. Will, dat. 20 July 1486, pr. 1490.⁸

He was a great opponent of Laurence Saunders, the anti-enclosure agitator.⁹

¹ Wells City Charters, *Som. Rec. Soc.* 135. ² Egerton Add. MSS. 29617, iii.

³ To be bur. in B.V.M. church, Dover, next his father. To wife Isabel the messuage in which I live, my orchard, garden, and 5 acres in Castel Lane; to son William a messuage; to son John lands, etc., in Beauxfeld parish, etc., to sons Robert and Edward, Wanston when 20 years old; das. Jane and Juliana, unmarried; after wife Isabel's death lands she holds for life to be equally divided among his four sons. His ship *le Katreyn* to be sold to pay debts. Residue to wife; exors.:—wife, Peter Veryar, Thomas Nethersole. (C. iv. f. 195.)

⁴ Henry VII's letter of 8 Jan. 1490, in the Coventry Leet Book (p. 537), shows that Butler had been Recorder of Coventry for 35 years.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 174.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1478), 64.

⁷ Pardon Roll, 5 July 1486. "Of Coventry, gent., and Isabel his wife, late wife of Thomas Warde, late escheator, *alias* Isabel, late executrix of Thomas Warde, late farmer of the subsidy on cloth in the Midlands"; and Warde *aliases* continue "yeoman of the Crown to Edward IV and Richard III, late of Kelingworth, Warw." (m. 11).

⁸ To be bur. in St. Mary's Cathedral, Coventry. Isabel his w., residuary legatee (P.C.C., 30 Milles).

⁹ *Eng. Hist. Rev.* ix. 633-51.

BUTLER (BOTILLER), Sir JOHN (1400-77); of Badminton, Glos. M.P. GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1439-40, 1445-6; BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 1467-8.

Son of Ralf Butler of the same, by Margaret da. of Sir Hugh Berwick, of Beaconsfield, Bucks.;¹ *m.* (2) in 1475, Elizabeth widow of John Barrantyne, M.P., and da. and coh. of Sir John Popham, M.P. She was living and pardoned in 1484 (*m.*18).

On 23 Feb. 1438 and again in June 1439 comns. were apptd. to inquire into complaints made by John Butler, "late Serjeant of the King's father"; sheriff of Glos. 1441-2, 1446-7 and 1473-4; kntd. 1462/5; sheriff of Beds. and Bucks. 1465-6 and 1472-3; J.P., Bucks., as "of Badminton", 16 June 1462 to 13 May 1466; on Glos. comns. in 1453, Mar. 1460 and Aug. 1461; pardoned, as "of Great Badminton, esq., late sheriff of Glos.", Jan. 1458 (*m.*11); an elector for Glos. 1467; again pardoned 10 Jan. 1472 "of Badmynton, Glos., Knt., *alias* late sheriff of Beds. and Bucks."

D. 15 June 1477, when John Butler, aged 29, was his g.s. and h., s. of William, s. of John; lands—Glos., Som., Wilts., Oxon. and Bucks.

BUTLER (BOTILER), (Sir) JOHN (1429-1463); of Bewsey and Warrington.² Constable of Beaumaris. M.P. LANCASHIRE 1449-50. Lancastrian.

Son of Sir John Butler of Warrington (*d.* 1430), M.P., by Isabel (*d.* 1441) da. of Sir William Harrington of Hornby; *m.* 1444² (1) Margaret da. of Piers Gerard of Brynn; (2) 1454, Isabel da. of Thomas, lord Dacre, marriage dissolved 1458; (3) Margaret, da. of Thomas, 1st lord Stanley, widow of Sir William Troutbeck.³

His wardship was granted to Sir John Radcliffe. In 1436 his mother was ravished and carried off from Bewsey to Wales by William Poole of Wirral; she successfully petitioned the 1437 Parliament for redress and for the attainder of Poole, after she had been rescued by Sir Thomas Stanley and got back to Bewsey.³ The custody of the infant son was transferred to Piers Gerard of Brynn. Butler was kntd. by 20 July 1447 when he was granted view of frank pledge in Warrington and Burtonwood; livery of lands, 16 Jan. 1448; lived at Bewsey in Warrington.²

Pardoned, 20 Feb. 1462, as "of Werington, Lancs., knt., *alias* baron of Werington, late constable of Beaumaris, *alias* of Burtonwood, Lancs., *alias* son⁴ and heir of William Botiler knt. (*m.*37). In the same roll, mostly ex-official Lancastrians, he occurs again—John Botiler knt. and Margaret his wife, who was wife of Sir William Troutebek (*m.*28).

D. 26 Feb. 1463.

BUTLER, JOHN (1435-95); of Colchester. M.P. Colchester 1467-8, 1470-1, 1472-5 elected while bailiff.

In 1467-72 he was suing the exors. of John Fermer of Lancham.⁵ Bailiff of Colchester 1469, 1471, 1473, 1475.⁶ In Nov. 1492 he was witness to an Essex deed.⁷

¹ *V.C.H. Bucks.* iii. 158.

² Beaumont, *Annals of Lords of Warrington*; H. H. Strickland, *Lancs. M.P.s*, pp. 14, 15.

³ *Rot. Parl.* iv. 497.

⁴ This mistake causes all the trouble. He was grandson, not son, of Sir William, M.P. (1380-1415). ⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 45/295.

⁶ Rickword, *List of Mayors, etc., of Colchester*, 13.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. 204.

BUTLER (BOTILER), JOHN (1465-1512); of Solihull, Warw., lawyer.
M.P. Warwick boro' 1491-2.

S. of Richard Butler of same;¹ *m.* Katherine da. of Alan Hore of Elmedon, Warw., by a da. of Thomas Mosley of Bilston, Staffs.

On the Warwickshire subsidy comn., 21 Jan. 1488, and on gaol delivery comns. at Warwick 1490 and 1509; an attorney in N'hants. and Warw., 1490;² as "of Exhale, Warw., gent.", he witnesses a Warwick deed in 1500;³ pardoned, 1509, "of Solihull, gent., *alias* court holder, late of Coventry and London" (m.15).

D. 4 Feb. 1512; when John, aged 8, was his s. and h.⁴ Will, as of Solihull, Warw., dat. 28 Jan. 1512, pr. 20 Oct. 1512.⁵

BUTLER (BOTTILER), JOHN; of Sandwich. M.P. Sandwich 1445-6, 1447.

Mayor of Sandwich 1440-1, 1443-6, returning himself to Parlt.

BUTLER (BOTELER), PHILIP (1414-53); of Watton, Herts., Norbury, Staffs., and Pulverbatch, Salop. M.P. HERTFORDSHIRE 1445-6, 1450-1.

Born 15 Aug. 1414, second s. of Sir Philip Butler of the same (1388-1421), by Elizabeth da. of John Cokayne, and h. to his bro. Edward Butler (*d.* 1421). His custody and marriage was given to John Cheyne of Cambs. (*q.v.*) who married him by 1434 to Elisabeth.

Elector, Herts., 1449 (1), 1449 (2) heads list, 1453 (Feb.); J.P., Herts., 18 May 1443 till death; comnr., Herts., 1449; sheriff, Essex and Herts., 3 Dec. 1450 (after election, but while M.P.) till Nov. 1451. On 2 Dec. 1451 a comn. was apptd. to arrest Philip Boteler of Watton, gent., and others, all of Standon, Herts., and to bring them before the Council to answer certain charges—probably in connection with his shrievalty.

D. 28 July 1453, when John, aged 17 (or 18), was his s. and h.; lands in Herts., Staffs., Salop, and in five other counties. His wife Elisabeth survived him, and had licence to marry again, 7 Apr. 1454. The custody of his lands and heir was granted to John Say, John Cheyne and Ralph Grey of Brent Pelham (all M.P.s) in Oct. 1453, and John, the heir, had licence to enter without suing out livery in July 1456.

BUTLER, RICHARD (1440-96/7); of Portsmouth, merchant. M.P. Portsmouth 1478, 1491-2.

Richard Butler of Portsmouth, husbandman, *alias* merchant, who was pardoned, 10 Nov. 1452, might be the man, but is more likely to be father. He was apportioner of the subsidy in Hants in 1463, being called of Portsmouth.⁶

The M.P. died 1496/7. Will, dat. 5 Sept. 1496, pr. 1497.⁷

¹ Dugdale, *Warwickshire*, pp. 946, 1001.

² Plea Rolls, K.B.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. 306.

⁴ Inq. *p.m.* 3 Hen. VIII, No. 17.

⁵ To be bur. in St. Alphege's, Solihull, near parents. Son under age; lands in Warwickshire. Exix. :—wife Katherine. Overseer—Sir Robert Throckmorton (P.C.C., 9 Fetiplace).

⁶ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV (m.15).

⁷ To be bur. in St. Thomas Martyr, Portsmouth; lands in Portsmouth to w. Alice, reversion to s. and h. William. Bequests to another s. John. Residue to Alice and she sole exix. Supervisor—Richard Palshud (P.C.C., 8 Horne).

The Portsmouth M.P. is not, therefore, the more important contemporary Surrey comnr. nor the father of Sir William Butler, mayor of London, from Bedenham, Beds.

BUTLER, ROGER (1455-1505); of Northampton. M.P. Northampton boro' 1489-90.

Perhaps s. of John Butler, mayor in 1465-6.

Bailiff 1479-80; mayor of Northampton 1494-5, when Northampton was given the right to elect a Recorder and Richard Empson (*q.v.*) was elected to the office.¹ As Butler does not occur in the 1509 Pardon roll, he may be presumed to be dead by then.

BUTLER, WILLIAM² (1400-55); Yeoman of the Butlery. M.P. Carlisle 1442.

He may be the man sent to France to collect the ransom for the Duke of Orleans in 1433;³ probably the same man was the yeoman of the King's Pycherhouse who was granted in Mar. 1437 the office of Raglote of Tallebolion, Anglesey. In Feb. 1439 this grant had been surrendered and the "Raglawry and Amobres" in the Commote of Tallebolion, Anglesea, was granted instead to William Butler, yeoman of the Butlery, and Richard Savage jointly. William Butler had licence to found a chantry at Fyfield, Berks., Mar. 1442; renewed Oct. 1444. As King's serjeant, yeoman of the Butlery, for good services to Henry V and the King by the space of 35 years and more, and in consideration of his age, he was granted once more the office of Rhaglar and Amobre of Tallebolion, which had been resumed in 1450, 18 Aug. 1451.

William Butler, "Yeoman", was one of those said to have been killed on the King's side at the Battle of St. Albans 1455.⁴

BUTTOCKSIDE (BOTSIDE), THOMAS (1445-97); of Plympton and London, gent. M.P. Lostwithiel 1491-2.

Thomas Buttockside, sheriff of Devon 1447, of Cornwall 1451, who *m.* (1) Jane da. and h. of John Trencreke,⁵ was dead by 1478, when Anne his widow rem. Nicholas Stuckley.⁶

It must be his s. and h. Thomas who was a goldsmith in London and Earl Rivers' man of business in 1483;⁷ pledge with Shaa and Wyndout (*qq.v.*) for the

¹ *Northampton boro' Records*, i. 358; ii. 550.

² William Butlers were sworn to the peace in Glos. and Hunts.—"of Weresle" and "of Ramsay" 1434.

³ On the 8 May 1433 licence was granted for the Duke of Orleans, the King's prisoner, to promise to pay John Cornwall, lord of Faunhope, 2,000 crowns in gold before All Saints next, in part payment of a greater sum due from him, on condition that William Boteller, one of his hostages, may go into France (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1433), 270).

⁴ Stow, *Chron.* p. 390.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1455 (m.26).

⁶ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. 559.

⁷ The will of Earl Rivers, written just before his beheading by Ratcliff, includes the passage—"if . . . Butsyde . . . know any more debts that I should owe I require them for to show it . . . £40 to a goldsmith of London, as Butsyde of London and John Griffith my servant can tell" (*Excerpta Historica*, 247).

minting goldsmiths, Nov. 1485 ; pardoned, as s. and h. of the deceased sheriff, 11 Nov. 1491 (while M.P.) ; pardoned, " of London, senior gent.", 1496.¹

D. 1497.² Will of Thomas Buttockside, gent., of Plympton and London, pr. in P.C.C. 1497.³

BYKERSTATH see BICKERSTETH.

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BYRON, Sir JOHN (1387-1450) ; of Clayton, Lancs. M.P. LINCOLNSHIRE 1447.

S. and h. of Sir Richard Byron (*d.* 1397), by Jane de Colwick. He was aged 10 at his father's death and was put in the wardship of Sir John Assheton. *M.* Margery da. of Sir John Booth of Barton, Lancs. His s. and h., Nicholas Byron (1415-62), seems to have succeeded him as sheriff of Lancaster, and was ancestor of Lord Byron.

Kntd. 1407/29 ; sworn to the peace in Lancs. in 1434 ; pardoned 1437, " of Clayton, Lancs." (m.19) and " of Byron, Lancs." (m.7) ; sheriff, Lancs., 5 Nov. 1437 to Mich. 1449, which may account for his sitting for Lincs. Pardoned 1446 " of Clayton, knt." He may have needed this pardon, as the Duchy of Lancaster held an inquest in 1446 into the " transgressions of John Byron, knt. and sheriff." He endowed a chantry at Eccles in Jan. 1450, and must have died soon after. At least he was certainly dead in 1459.⁴ Sir John (1448-99), son of Nicholas, was afterwards M.P. for Lancs.

BYRON, (Sir) JOHN (1448-99) ; of Clayton, Lancs. Constable of Nottingham 1485-9. M.P. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1478.

S. and h. of Nicholas Byron of same (*d.* 29 Apr. 1462), who was s. and h. of Sir John Byron, M.P. (1387-1450).

He held no position before the arrival of the Tudors, except M.P., 1478. Then J.P., Notts., 25 Sept. 1485 till 25 June 1486 ;⁵ sheriff, Notts. and Derby, 1485-6 ; constable of Nottingham and keeper of Sherwood forest, both exempted from Resumption 1485 ;⁶ kntd. before Whitsuntide 1486 ;⁷ on Nottingham gaol deliveries and other comms. 26 July 1487 to 23 Dec. 1488. But he fell from grace, and the constablenesship and the keepership and all other offices lately held by Sir John Byron were transferred to Sir Thomas Lovell (*q.v.*) 1489.⁸

D. 3 Jan. 1499, when Nicholas, aged 30, was his bro. and h. ; lands—Clayton, Lancs.—licence for entry to Nicholas, 6 Mar. 1501.⁹

¹ Pardon Roll, 1496 (m.8).

² Writ *diem clausit* directed to the eschr. of Devon, apparently not issued until 29 Jan. 1500 (Fine Roll, 15 Hen. VII, m.2).

³ To be bur. in Grey Friars, Newgate. Mentions his nephew Robert Butside, cousin Thomas Butside. Exors. :—William Higham, son of the serjt.-of-the-law, William Milborn, chamberlain of London, and Robert Butside. Pr. at Lambeth, 9 June 1497 (Horne, 13).

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* v. 366.

⁵ Perhaps dropped out because made sheriff.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 363. ⁷ Shaw, *Knights*.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1489), 265. ⁹ *ibid.* (1501), 245.

CADRALL, THOMAS.

M.P. Melcombe 1453-4.

Undiscovered.

CAGER (CAZER), THOMAS (1425-85); of Surrey, lawyer. M.P. Reigate 1459; Shoreham 1460-1; Gatton 1472-5; Bramber 1478; and probably at other times.

Comnr., Surrey, "to arrest and imprison Nicholas Carewe (*q.v.*), late eschr. in the counties of Surrey and Sussex", 11 Mar. 1461;¹ elector, Surrey, 1467, when not elected; on 10 Feb. 1474 an indenture was made between Sir William Yelverton, William Jenney (*q.v.*) serjeant-at-law, and William Worcester, exōrs. of Sir John Fastolf, of the one part and Thomas Cager and Robert Kyrton of the other, whereby Robert was apptd. surveyor of the lands and tenements, late Sir John's, to perform his last will.²

CALDWELL, BENETT (1435-90); of Ipswich and Southwark, gent.³ Lawyer. M.P. Ipswich 1484.

S. of John Caldwell,⁴ bailiff and J.P. of Ipswich, living 1457.

He was sued for houses in Ipswich by his bro. Thomas in 1465/70;⁴ elected clerk of the peace for Ipswich, 8 Sept. 1470 till 1473; bailiff 1473-4, 1476-7, 1479-80; comnr. 1475; Justice 1474-5, 1477-9, 1480-2, 1483-5; *claviger* 1480-5. Pardoned, 4 Mar. 1484, just after his Parlt. was dissolved,⁵ and 8 Mar. 1486.³

CALOWE (COLOWE), JOHN (1435-95); of Sydling, Dorset; lawyer. M.P. Bridport 1460-1.

Oct. 1467, pardon to John Calowe "of Sytelyng, Dorset, gent.", of his out-lawry in Herts. for bailing Richard Saunders of White Lakington, Som., to answer divers felonies, and not appearing to satisfy the bail—he having surrendered. He was a feoffee in a settlement of Northall, Som., on John Newbury, M.P. in 1478, and again in 1481.⁶ J.P., Devon, and of the quorum, June to Aug. 1483; J.P. also Dorset, Som. and Wilts., Jan. to Aug. or Dec. 1483, but not of the quorum. At Easter 1493 there was a recovery by John Smyth against John Calowe, of the manors of Dewlish, East Pulham, and Duntish, Dorset, and East Coker, Som.⁷

CALTHORPE, Sir PHILIP (1463⁸-1535); of Kerdiston, Norf. Chamberlain to Princess Mary. M.P. NORFOLK 1491-2.

Eld. s. of John Calthorpe (who was s. and h. apparent of Sir William Calthorpe, *d.* 1494) by Elizabeth da. of Roger Wentworth; *m* (1) Mary da. of Sir John Say, M.P. (1420-78), by whom he had his s. and h. Philip, and (2) by 1511 Jane da. of John Blennerhasset of Frense, Norf.⁹

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1461), 32.

² *Paston Letters*, iii. 80.

³ Pardon Roll, 1486—of Ipswich, gent., late of Southwark, Surrey (m.9).

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 33/100.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1484—of Ipswich, gent., late bailiff and eschr., late exor. of Gilbert Debenham esq.

⁶ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. p. 17.

⁷ *Geneal. N.S.* xxv. 38.

⁸ Aged 30 and more at his grandfather's death 1494.

⁹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 488. Carr Calthorpe, *Family of Calthorpe*.

Pardoned, 11 Dec. 1485, being then of Norwich;¹ on Norf. comns., chiefly array, from 1487; a feoffee for the will of Roger Townshend (*q.v.*) 1490 and for John Appleyard 1498; kntd. at Blackheath 1497; subsidy comnr. 1504; at Henry VII's funeral, and pardoned 1509.² He was captain of soldiers on the *Nicholas Redde* in 1512, but still at Court and all Court functions. Suggested by the King for Chamberlain to the Princess Mary 1521, and he and his wife had £40 a year for their attendance. By 1527, when Princess Mary's household was assessed for the subsidy, he was receiving £200 a year as her Chamberlain.³

D. 1527/37, in which latter year Dame Jane his widow was disputing property titles with her stepson Philip Calthorpe.⁴

CALTHORPE, (Sir) WILLIAM (1410-94);⁵ of Burnham Thorpe, sheep grazier. M.P. NORFOLK 1445-6. Lancastrian.

Born 30 Jan. 1410, s. and h. of Sir John Calthorpe of the same, *d.* 1421, by Anne da. of John Wythe; *m.* (1) a da. of Reynold, lord Grey of Ruthyn, and (2) Elizabeth (1440-1509) da. and in 1466 eldest coh. of Sir Miles Stapleton of Ingham. He was heir to his g. father in 1431, and his issue inherited Ingham.⁶

Sworn to the peace in Norf. 1434; he was paying 10 marks rent for the farm of the church of Sculthorpe, Norf., in 1435;⁷ one of those thanked by the Council in connection with Norfolk riots 1443; and of such old family that he produced, for confirmation in 1448,⁸ a charter of Henry III, granting free warren in Calthorpe to his ancestor, William de Calthorpe; sheriff, Norf. and Suff., 1441-2, 1458-9, 1463-4, 1475-6; elector, Norf., 1449 (1), 1450. J.P., Norfolk, 16 Mar. to 24 Nov. 1460; 4 July 1461 till sheriff 1463, 24 July 1466 till sheriff 1475, and 28 June 1483 to 7 Dec. 1485. On Norf. comns. including all those against the Yorkists from 1436 to 1464. His arrest was ordered on 20 May 1450; pardoned 1458, and Feb. 1462—"of Bournham, Norfolk, esq., *alias* late sheriff of Norf. and Suff." (m.46), and he was made apportioner of subsidy⁹ and sheriff the following year, 1463. Kntd. at the Queen's coronation, 26 May 1465, and "sworn one of my lord of Gloucester's men" in June 1469.¹⁰ But he supported the Lancastrian Readeption in 1470-1; pardoned 8 Feb. 1471 as "of Ingham, *alias* of Ludham, late sheriff", and again 12 Dec. 1471 "of Norwich senior", and again in Feb. 1473, adding Bromham to his aliases. He supported Richard III also, being comnr. of array, Aug. 1483.

¹ Of Norwich, esq., *alias* gent. (m.2).

² Of Norwich and Manyngton, Norf., knt., s. and h. of John Calthorp of Netylstede, esq. (3) m.16).

³ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, iv. 1331.

⁴ *ibid.* XII. i. 1151.

⁵ He did live to the age of 84, for, in 1482, Sir William Calthorpe of Norwich, being sued for illegal distress in Burnham, calls himself son and heir of John, son and heir of William, son and heir of Oliver, son and heir of Sir William Calthorpe. (*Geneal. N.S.* xx. 96.)

⁶ *Comp. Peer.* vii. 64; *Geneal. N.S.* xx. 96; *Cal. Cl. R.* (1431), 84.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. 2.

⁸ He arbitrated in a dispute as to land in Burnham, Norfolk, in 1449.

⁹ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV. M.P.s not to be appointed apportioners.

¹⁰ *Paston Letters*, ii. 359.

D. 15 Nov. 1494 ; when Philip, aged 30, s. of John, s. of Sir William, was his g.s. and h. Will, dat. 31 May 1494, pr. 23 May 1495.¹

CALVERLEY (CALWODLEGH), THOMAS, the elder (1420-1492); of Calverley and Exeter, lawyer. M.P. Totnes 1449-50, 1450-1; Exeter 1459, 1467-8, (? 1470-1), 1472-5, 1483 (1).

Eldest s. of John Calverley of Calverley near Tiverton by a da. of John Floyer ; *m.* Elizabeth da. of Thomas Hatch of Wolley, and left four sons—Thomas, M.P., who pre-deceased him in 1482, Oliver, John and Humphrey.² His g.s. and h., Humphrey, was attainted in 1504.

Apptd. receiver-general of the lands late of Lord Tiptoft in Somerset and Dorset, 25 May 1450 ; eschr., Devon and Cornwall, 1450-1 ; steward of Totnes 1453 ; freeman of Exeter 1454/5 ; receiver there 1456 and 1460 ;³ pardoned, 4 Nov. 1455, as of Exeter, gent., and again 8 Jan. 1458 ;³ rewarded for services in the Coventry Parliament by being made receiver of all Devon and Cornwall lands of the Earls of Salisbury and Warwick, Dec. 1459. In 1465/70 Calverley and the mayor and bailiffs of Exeter were sued for obtaining by deceit a conveyance to Calverley of a certain messuage in Exeter ;⁴ and he was also sued for breach of promise to respite an action for trespass involving land titles in Langley, Devon.⁵ Certainly by 1470 he was living in Exeter, where he had a house opposite St. Stephen's, Bowe. Mayor 1467-8, 1480-1, 1486-7 ; J.P., Devon, of the quorum, 18 Feb. 1468 till removed by the Readeption govt. in 1470 ; again eschr. of Devon and Cornwall 1471-2 ; on Devon comns. 1472 to 1477, when he was called "the elder". But he may have sat in the Readeption Parlt. for he was pardoned as "late of Holborn, Mdsx.", 24 Jan. 1472.⁶ J.P., Devon, again, 10 May 1472 to 24 Sept. ; an elector of Devon 1478, called senior ; took no part against Richard III ; was restored to the Bench, 27 Feb. 1484 to 1487, and pardoned in Feb. 1484.

D. 6 June 1492, and the wardship of his heir, Humphrey, s. of Thomas, s. of Thomas Calverley, decd., was granted to the keeping of John Ryse, clerk.

CALVERLEY (CALWODELEY), THOMAS, younger (1445-82) ; heir of Calverley, Devon. M.P. Totnes 1478.

S. and h. apparent of Thomas Calverley of Calverley, M.P. (1420-92) by Elizabeth da. of Thomas Hatch of Wooley ; *m.* Elizabeth (*d.* 1505) da. and h. of

¹ To be bur. in the White Friars, Norwich. Dame Elizabeth "my right derely beloved wyf", to have all his plate. Bequests to his cousin (*i.e.*, grandson), Philip Calthorpe, of 300 sheep ; to son Francis 200 sheep ; to sons William and Edward 100 sheep each. Similar bequests to his son Guernsey and "my daughter, his wyfe". To Robert Drewry and my da., his wife. To Francis Hasilden and my da., his wife. Robert Clere to have 200 "moder shepe". His wife to have rule of my s. Hasilden and his wife, until he is 21 years old. Exors. :—Dame Elizabeth, Robert Clere, Robert Bury, William Gurnay and Walter Aslak (P.C.C., 32. Vox).

² *Ex inf.*, J. J. Alexander.

³ As "of Exeter, gent., *alias* Calverlegh" (m.20).

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 33/16.

⁵ *ibid.* 32/241.

⁶ As "late of Exeter, esq., *alias* gent., late of Clift St. Laurence, *alias* late of Calwodeley, *alias* late of St. Andrew's, Holborn, Middlesex."

Otes Colyn of Hellond, Corn., she rem. ——— Raleigh and afterwards Edward ap Rys.¹

He had a general pardon as "the younger" 1479.

D. 1482, succeeded by his infant s. Humphrey,² who was attainted 1504, when Roger Holland, esq., got his lands.³

CALWODLEGH see CALVERLEY.

CAMBRAY, THOMAS.

M.P. Wenlock 1478.

Probably of the family of Cambray of Stretton-en-le-Dale; also seated at Wollaston under Wenlock Edge.⁴ But no "Thomas" appears anywhere except in this Return.

CANNING (CANYNGS), THOMAS (1395-1461/6); ald. of London, grocer. M.P. London 1459. Yorkist.

Elder s. of John Canning, M.P. (d. 1405), by Jane Wootton, who rem. Thomas Young, M.P., in whose family the young Cannings, Thomas and William, were brought up.

Thomas was in London by 1434;⁵ one of those apptd. to receive money which the City raised for the King 1442; brought a charge against Cotesbroke (*q.v.*) of disloyalty to the mayor-elect; one of those apptd. to ride with the mayor to Eton 1448;⁶ a London elector 1442, 1447, 1449 (1), 1450, 1453, 1455; pardoned, 5 July 1446, "of London, grocer, and Elizabeth his wife" (m.35). Alderman from 19 Oct. 1445; auditor 1446-8; pardoned 6 Sept. 1452; master of the Grocers 1448, 1454-5, 1460-1; sheriff 1449-50; mayor of London 1456-7. In Dec. 1460 he asked to retire from his aldermanry but was refused, and in Jan. 1461 was declared contumacious, relieved of the office and fined £40.⁷

He was dead by 1466 when his relict and exix. was Elizabeth.

The Cannings and their half-brothers, the Youngs, were merchant princes and Yorkists. That one of them was sent to the 1459 Parlt. at Coventry, though he was then 64 years old, argues a considerable degree of independence in London and the strength there of Yorkist feeling. The same feeling appears in the 1470-1 Parlt. Thomas Canning, M.P., was direct ancestor of George and of Stratford Canning.⁸

CANNING (CANYNGES), WILLIAM (1399-1474); of Bristol, shipowner. M.P. Bristol 1439-40, 1450-1, 1455-6. Yorkist.

3rd s. of John Canning, M.P. (d. 1405), merchant of Bristol, by Jane (Wootton). His grandfather, William Canning, had been Mayor five times and M.P. for Bristol. His mother, Jane, re-married Thomas Young, M.P., who brought up young

¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, 1505.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1494), 466.

³ *ibid.* (1506), 443.

⁴ *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

⁵ *Letter Book K.* 177.

⁶ *Jor.* 3, fo. 143; 4, ff. 10d, 225, *per* Miss Jay.

⁷ *Jor.* 6, ff. 279b, 286, *per* Miss Jay.

⁸ *Dict. Nat. Biog.* art. Wm. Canyngs.

Canning and his half-brothers, also Yorkist M.P.s. *M.* (1) Jane (*d.* 1460),¹ (2) Elizabeth da. of Sir Roger Chamberlain, M.P. (1410-64); for in 1475/85 John Dipden and Elizabeth his wife, *exix.* and previously wife of William Canynges, sued the mayor of Bristol for an obligation given by William when raising the ransom of his son Richard.² His two sons died *v.p.* without issue.³

Sheriff 1438; M.P. 1439; mayor and eschr. 1441-2, 1456-7, 1460-1 and 1466-7; a Parliamentary elector on every occasion save 1450, 1453, 1459. He was trading with the Baltic in 1449,⁴ and in 1450 the King of Denmark gave him licence to trade with Iceland and "Finmark." Elected to Parlt. in 1450, together with his half-brother, Thomas Young, who was committed to the Tower for proposing that the Duke of York should be declared heir to the Throne; both were again elected in 1455. While Mayor, 1456-7, he seized the munitions consigned to an Irishman, a merchant of Bristol, who was a partisan of the Lancastrian leader, James Butler, earl of Wilts. Thereupon the Duke of York instructed Canning to take charge of Bristol castle and keep out the Duke of Somerset, which he did;⁵ Mayor again in 1460, when he prepared an expedition against the Lancastrians in Wales; received Edward IV at Bristol, when Sir Baldwin Fulford and John Heysant, whom Canning had just tried, were executed;⁶ Mayor again in 1466; and he rebuilt the church of St. Mary, Redcliffe. He lived in Redcliffe St.⁷

William of Worcester records the names of nine of his ships, from 900 tons downwards—in all 2,853 tons—and he had 800 seamen on the pay-roll. He also endowed and rebuilt Westbury college, to which foundation he retired in 1467. He died as dean of the college, 17 Nov. 1474.⁸ Will, dat. 12 Nov., pr. at Lambeth 29 Nov. 1474.⁹ Buried in St. Mary's, Redcliffe.

CANTILUPE (CANTLOWE), (Sir) WILLIAM (1400-1464); ald. of London, and of Kentish Town,⁷ stapler. M.P. London 1453-4, 1455-6.

Perhaps s. of John Cantlowe, citizen and mercer of London.⁸

He was collector of the subsidy voted in the 1429 Parlt., called mercer;⁹ victualler of Calais 1436-40;¹⁰ elector, London, 1442, 1447, 1449 (2), 1450. He conveyed money over sea to bring Q. Margaret to England, and supplied gunpowder to Cherbourg Castle.¹¹ Alderman of London 1446 till Oct. 1461;¹² sheriff 1448-9; auditor 1450-2; master of the Mercers' Co. 1450, 1456, 1462.¹³ He had

¹ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Wm. Canynges.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 64/181.

³ His elder bro., Thomas Canning, M.P., Mayor of London, was the ancestor of the Cannings of Foxcote, Warw., and of George Canning and Stratford Canning.

⁴ The King wrote to the Teutonic Knights asking for protection for his factors (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1449)).

⁵ Besides pardons in 1446, 1452, 1455, 1458, he took out two pardons after his retirement from the world—in 1468 "clerk, late of Bristol, merchant" (m.32)—and in 1472 "of Westbury, clerk, dean of the college of St. Peter and Paul, Westbury, *alias* late of Bristol, chaplain, *alias* late of Bristol, merchant *alias* late Mayor."

⁶ Bristol Wills, 151-5.

⁷ Dr. S. Thrupp.

⁸ Devon, *Issues*, p. 391.

⁹ *Letter Book K.* p. 122.

¹⁰ *Exchq. Accts.* 192/10; *Err. Accts.* F. 18 H. IV., A.

¹¹ R. R. Sharpe, *London & the Kingdom*, i. 292. n.2.

¹² *Jor.* 6, fo. 81b.

¹³ A. B. Beaven, *Aldermen of London*, ii. 9.

the normal pardons in 1446 and 1452, and was on many London comns. of oyer, etc., in 1450 and 1451; throughout his official years he was continuously lending money to the King and recovering it by licences to export uncustomed wool.

As became an alderman and M.P. for the city, he was named first on the comn. to enquire how to increase the currency, 17 May 1456.¹ Of his report, indeed, on this perennial topic of interest we know nothing; but the next heard of Cantilupe is his imprisonment in Dudley castle as being concerned in the attack made by young London mercers on the houses of the Lombard bankers.² The normal cycle was completed by Cantilupe's knighthood, 27 June 1461. On a committee to secure the city's interests in Parliament 1460.³ In 1457 he spent £200 on the church of the Friars Minor, and the said Friars covenant with him to sing masses for the souls of Thomas Gloucestre (*q.v.*) and Anne his wife, and for Cantelowe and his wives Margaret and Elizabeth.⁴ In 1463 he was paying 30s. a year rent for Clement's Inn.⁵

He died 1464. Will of William Cantilowe knt. of St. Mary Magdalen, Milk Street, London, and Faversham, Kent, dat. 21 Feb., pr. 11 May 1464.⁶

CANTLOWE see CANTILUPE.

CANYNGES see CANNING.

CAPEL, Sir WILLIAM (1445-1515); ald. of London, draper; of Raynes, Essex. M.P. London 1491-2, 1512-4, 1515.

2nd s. of John Capel of Stoke-Nayland, Suff.⁷ (*d.* 1449), by Jane; *m.* Margaret da. of Sir Thomas Arundel of Lanherne, Corn. The present Earls of Essex derive from his son Sir Giles, the Marquesses of Winchester from his da. Elizabeth.

A feoffee in Rawreth, Essex, for Sir John Doreward (*q.v.*) 1475. In Dec. 1478 he was in custody for vilifying alderman Robert Drope, and the Chancellor remitted him to be punished at the discretion of the Mayor and aldermen.⁸ As for his trade, this draper was selling Spanish iron to another draper 1475/85.⁹ He was auditor 1485-5; alderman 1485 till death; kntd. 6 Jan. 1487;¹⁰ sheriff 1489-90; mayor 1503-4, and Jan. to Oct. 1510.¹¹ He was shipping wool to the Mediterranean in 1486, and bought Little Raynes, Essex, that year.¹² Pardoned, 6 June 1488, as "knight, *alias* citizen and alderman and '*pannarius*,' *alias* esq." (m.24), and again 18 May 1500, and 17 June 1505 with his son Giles, squire of the Body. These pardons were the squeezings of Morton, Empson and Dudley; he paid £1,600 for the first two. They tried to get £2,000 more, for "failing to punish a false coiner," and on his refusing to pay he was committed to the Tower.¹³ He was again attacked for supposed negligence during his mayoralty in 1504, imprisoned and only released on the King's death, when again "pardoned" by Henry VIII.

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1456), 286.

² Beaven, *Aldermen*, ii. 164.

³ *Jor.* 6, fo. 272.

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. 126.

⁵ *ibid.* vi. 311.

⁶ To be bur. at St. Mary Magdalen's. Residue to w. Elizabeth for life with remainders to sons William and Henry, and to das. Anne, Joan and Katherine. Exors. :—Master John Aleyne (*q.v.*), Henry Merland (*q.v.*), and William Button. (P.C.C., 4 Godyn.)

⁷ Kingsford, *London Chronicle*, p. 324.

⁸ *Letter Book L.* p. 161.

⁹ *Early Chanc. Proc.* 66/238.

¹⁰ Beaven, *op. cit.*

¹¹ Beaven, *op. cit.*

¹² Feet of Fines, 1 Hen. VII.

¹³ Morant, *Essex*, ii. 401.

D. 7 Sept. 1515, when Sir Giles his s. was 30; lands—Essex. Will, dat. 1 Sept. 1515, pr. 17 Mar. 1516.¹ He got his name from Capel in Stoke-Nayland, and lived in Bartholomew Lane whence Capel Court takes its name. His das., Dorothy *m.* Lord Zouch of Harringworth, and Elizabeth *m.* Sir William Paulett.

CARMAKER (CARDEMAKER), JOHN; of Bridgnorth. M.P. Bridgnorth 1450-1.

Probably a brother of Hugh Cardmaker who was appointed prior of the Hospital of St. John, Bridgnorth, in 1453. John Cardmaker junior witnessed a Buildwas-Bridgnorth lease in 1453.² William Cardmaker of London, grocer, *alias* of Bridgnorth, yeoman, was pardoned in 1452. The surname is by no means rare in the 15th century.

CARE see CAREW.

CARENT, JOHN, junior (1425-83); of Ash in Stour-Pain, Dorset, and of Toomer, Somerset. M.P. DORSET 1453-4, called "junior".

S. and h. of William Carent, M.P. (1395-1476), by Margaret (Stourton), and nephew of John Carent, senr., who *d.* leaving coh. in 1478. *M.* (1) 1441 Jane da. of Thomas Brooke of Weycroft, Devon, M.P., and (2) *c.* 1459, Margaret, widow of Nicholas Carew of Beddington, Surrey, M.P., who survived him and *d.* 1503.³

By Oct. 1441 John junr. and Jane his wife had succeeded, on the death of Ralf Bushey, to Winterbourne-Houghton, which they had of the grant of Sir John Chidiok.⁴ One must assume that it was John senr. who was the eschr. in 1441, but it was John junr. who was sheriff, Som. and Dorset, 1459-60; and, as "of Ash" or as "junior" he is to be found on Dorset comns. from Dec. 1460 onwards. Both senr. and junr. were electors for Dorset when William Carent was elected in 1450. It will probably be the uncle "senr." who was servant to the Duchess of Somerset in 1458. Junior was pardoned on the roll, 5 Feb. 1462, with the other official Lancastrians,⁵ and 5 Feb. 1472⁶ and 20 Nov. 1474.⁷ He was an elector again in Dorset 1472.

D. just before 11 July 1483, when William Carent his s. succeeded him.⁸

¹ To be bur. in a chapel he had prepared in St. Bartholomew the Little. Masses for self and parents John and Jane; bequests to s., Sir Giles and w.; to das. Dorothy Zouch and Eliz. Paulett, and 1,000 marks each to Henry and Edmund, sons of Sir Giles; jointure to Dame Margaret his w.; bequests to Sir William Paulett and John, Sir Wm.'s son. Supervisors—Mr. Rice Brooke, recorder of London, Wm. Shelley, Thos. Carter, and in chief the Abp. of Canterbury (P.C.C., 13 Holder). A will is also in the Court of Hustings (*Calendar*, p. 626).

² *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

³ *Ex inf.* Miss Bates-Harbin.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1441), 34.

⁵ "John Carent junior, esq., late sheriff of Som. and Dorset, *alias* of Asshe" (m.44).

⁶ "of Aysshe in Dorset, junior, esq., and Margaret his wife, late wife of Nicholas Carew of Bedyngton, Surrey, esq., *alias* John Carent, late of Tomer, Som., esq."

⁷ "late sheriff of Somerset and Dorset *alias* late of Thorneton," added to the description (m.3).

⁸ Hutchins, *Dorset*, iv. 112.

CARENT, WILLIAM (1395-1476); of Toomer, Som.; steward of Shaftesbury abbey, agent for Duke of Somerset. M.P. DORSET 1420; SOMERSET 1423; DORSET 1426, 1427; SOMERSET 1445-6, 1450-1.

S. and h. of William Carent, M.P. (*d. c.* 1422), by Alice da. and eventual h. of Sir John Toomer of Toomer-Henstridge, Som.; *m.* (1) Margaret, *d.* 1463, da. of Sir William Stourton, the Speaker, and (2), in 1468, Katherine (*d.* 1473), da. and h. of Thomas Payne of Payneshay, Devon, widow of John Stourton, M.P., of Preston-Plucknet, and of Sir John Beynton, M.P.¹ He was bro. of Nicholas Carent, dean of Wells, *d.* 1467, and of John Carent, senr. (*d.* 1478). William's son, John Carent, junr., was M.P. Dorset 1453.

Eschr., Som. and Dorset, 1421-2; sheriff 1427-8, 1434-5, 1440-1; member of the council for Bruton Priory in 1430;² eschr., Devon, 1441; sheriff, Som. and Dorset, 1446-7, 1450-1 pricked after election to Parliament; J.P., Dorset, 2 Dec. 1430 till death; elector, Somerset, 1421, 1437, Dorset, 1422, 1442; on Dorset and Som. comns. of every party 1420 to 1475. In 1438 he was exor. to John Stourton, junr., s. of John, first lord Stourton, who left Carent for "his labour and friendship" his black horse, as well as jewelry to Carent's wife Margaret. In 1441 he was exor. of Sir John Hody, C.J., who left him a silver cup, and in 1448 William Byconnel, priest of Wells, bequeathes to "my most illustrious William Carent" a silver gilt cup. A popular man, no partisan or patronage hunter, but closely allied with his bro. and the church.

He was pardoned in 1437, "of Thomer, Som., esq., late sheriff, farmer of Henxstrigge and Charleton, late eschr. of Som. and Dorset" (m.24); and in 1446, 1452, Nov. 1455, Jan. 1458 (m.34), and Dec. 1471—always of Thomer or Tomer. In Aug. 1448 he had licence to empark 380 acres in Toomer-Hengstrigge.³ On 23 Apr. 1451, while still M.P., he was granted custody of the lands and heir of William Westbury, deceased. As a Lancastrian he was summoned to the Great Council, 16 Apr. 1455, for Dorset. In Nov. 1459 he was acting for the Crown at Sherbourn Abbey. Besides being exor. for John Beaufort, duke of Somerset, in 1462, he paid the £15 pension to the poor widow, Margaret, duchess of Somerset.⁴ The will of Nicholas Carent, dean of Wells, mentions his brothers, William Carent and John, and his nephew, John Carent, junior, and they were made the dean's exors.

D. 8 Apr. 1476, when John, aged 40 and more, was his s. and h.; lands—Dorset and Som;⁵ M.I. Henstridge Church.

CARETHORP see CARTHORPE.

CAREW (CARREU), NICHOLAS (1405⁶-58); of Beddington. M.P. SURREY 1439-40.

S. of Nicholas Carew of the same (*d.* 1432),⁷ by Mary⁷ (really Mercy) da. of Stephen Delamore; *m.* Margaret.

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1468), 113; Batten, *Notes on S. Somerset*, 99.

² *Som. Rec. Soc.* xxxi. 82.

³ *Cal. Chart. Rolls*, vi. 101.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* v. 607.

⁵ Besides lands in South Somerset, Carent had property near Frome, purchased in 1458, and including Berkeley and Fair oak (*Som. Rec. Soc.* xxii. 205).

⁶ Proof of age, 4 Hen. VI.

⁷ M.I., Beddington, 1432; in July 1440 "Mercy", late w. of Nicholas Carew, esq., demised to Sir Roger Fenys, Nicholas Carew, esq., and others her life interest in Bandon and Nutfield, Surrey (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. 460).

On the subsidy comn. 1431; sworn to the peace in Surrey 1434; J.P., Surrey, 30 July 1438 till death; sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1440-1, 1444-5, 1448-9; elector, Surrey, 1442, heading the list; pardoned 1446, and Oct. 1455 with other Lancastrians;¹ was granted "the King's Leet" at Beddington and Bandon, Surrey, for a rent of 6s. 8d., 1448. In Nov. 1450 Nicholas Carew, esq., and Margaret his w., Henry, duke of Exeter, and other feoffees, settled Carshalton, Surrey,² and he had a grant of land in Sussex from Thomas, earl of Arundel, in Nov. 1454. Perhaps because he was a follower of the Duke of Exeter, he was sumnd. to the Gt. Council for Surrey in Apr. 1455. His s. Nicholas Carew, King's serjt., was made constable of Southampton with £10 a year in Nov. 1457.

D. 20 Apr. 1458, when Nicholas, aged 22, was his s. and h. This s. Nicholas was eschr. of Hants and Wilts. 1457-8. Will of Nicholas Carew the elder, esq., dat. 14 Nov. 1456, pr. 10 May 1458.³ His widow *m.* John Carent (*q.v.*).

CAREW (CARY), THOMAS (1455-1500); of Moulsoford, Berks. M.P. Wallingford 1491-2.

S. of Sir William Cary of Cockington (beheaded at Tewkesbury 1471), by Alice da. of Sir Baldwin Fulford; *m.* Margaret da. of Robert Spencer of Devon.⁴

He was a feoffee in Mdsx. for Sir Robert Spencer and Eleanor, widow of James Butler, earl of Wilts., in 1487.⁵ The Carews possessed Moulsoford (4 miles S.E. of Wallingford) till 1497.⁶ As he does not appear in the 1509 pardon roll, he was presumably dead by that date.

CAREW (CARUE), Sir WILLIAM (1455-1501); of Bury St. Edmunds. M.P. SUFFOLK 1489-90.⁷

M. Margaret, prob. da. and h. of Sir Robert Terry; she survived him.⁸

Apptd. tronier and weigher at Ipswich, 19 Sept. 1485, and he is possibly the William Carew admitted to Lincoln's Inn, 4 Aug. 1486.⁹ Kntd. at battle of Stoke, 16 June 1487. £40 was still owed to him as late of Ipswich esq., 10 July 1489, when he was called knight. M.P., Suffolk, 13 Jan. 1489;⁷ and he chose the 24 collectors of the subsidy voted, 10 July 1490; J.P., Suffolk, 4 Dec. 1490 till death; on gaol deliveries at Bury, 4 July 1490, and 2 May 1493; comn. of array, Suffolk, 8 May 1491; comn., Essex, 10 Feb. 1496.

¹ Pardon Roll, 10 Oct. 1455, of Bedyngton, Surrey, esq., *alias* late sheriff of Surrey (m.31).

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. 124.

³ To be bur. at Beddington. Bequests to das. Rose, Margaret and Ginline. Residue to his w., Margaret. Exors.:—his w. Margaret, Master John Laughton, Master John Hasard, William Atland, William Calkoc, and his sons, Nicholas and James (P.C.C., 12 Stockton).

⁴ Addl. MS. 19122, Brit. Mus.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 119.

⁶ *V.C.H., Berks.* iii. 506.

⁷ Enrolment of indenture, 10 July, 5. Hen. VII (1490), between Master Richard Skypton, clerk of the petty bag, and Sir Robert Broughton and Sir William Carue, knts., chosen knights of shire for Suffolk in last Parlt., at Westminster 13 Jan. 4 Hen. VII, shewing that the latter have chosen 24 persons (names not given) to collect subsidy of first half of 15th granted to King in said Parlt. (Harl. MSS. Brit. Mus. 1777, f. 52d).

⁸ This seems obvious from the Inquest *p.m.*

⁹ But this is doubtful, as there was another William Carewe, who was Clerk of the Bread St. comptier in 1486 (*Letter Book L.* p. 236), and also the Wycombe M.P.

D. 20 May 1501; for the inquest held 22 Sept. 1501 states that he had taken the issues from Henham and Bulkham manors, Suffolk, from Sir Robert Terry's death on 9 Dec. 1496 till 20 May 1501, after which date Margaret late his wife had taken the issues.¹ Will of Sir William Carew, dat. 16 May, pr. 28 June 1501.²

CAREW (CARE), WILLIAM (1465-1505); of Wycombe, lawyer. M.P. Wycombe 1491-2.

Perhaps related to Thomas Carew, M.P. Wallingford 1491 (1455-1500), but more probably a son of Richard Carew, mayor of Wycombe 1478.

Admitted to Lincoln's Inn 1486; eschr., Bucks. and Beds., 1487-8. The William Cary who married Anne Boleyn's sister Mary and was executed with the Queen in 1536 must have been born too late to be this Wycombe M.P. Nor can he be the William Carew who was kntd. at Stoke 1487.

CARLISLE (KARLELL), JOHN (1440-86); of Newcastle and Newburn, merchant. M.P. Newcastle-on-Tyne 1478

Probably s. of John Carlil, mayor of Newcastle in 1450 and slain at Towton 1471, by Elizabeth, who afterwards m. Sir William Lumley. M. Elizabeth da. of Lawrence Acton and widow of that Sir Ralph Percy who kept the bird in his bosom.

He was pressing artificers for the army in the north, Aug. 1463; on comns. dealing with shipping in 1474, 1476, 1481; mayor of Newcastle 1475-6, 1480-1, 1483. William Blaxton was suing him concerning actions brought by Karlile's four servants 1475/85;³ and Suffolk men were suing this mayor of Newcastle concerning exemption from tolls on coals bought in Newcastle.⁴ Richard III pardoned him as "of Newcastle, esq., late of Newborn, Nhd., *alias* merchant, *alias* customer of Edward IV in the port of Newcastle."

D. 1486, leaving a da. and h. Jane, then aged 21.

CARLISLE (KARLEL), RICHARD (1430-89); of Frodsham, Cheshire, and/or of Roxton, Beds., lawyer of Gray's Inn. M.P. Appleby 1453-4; BEDFORDSHIRE 1478. Lancastrian.

He was on the Lancastrian array, 21 Dec. 1459, for Cumberland. But pardoned 7 May 1462, as late of Frodsham, Cheshire, gent., *alias* of Bothomes, Cheshire, *alias* Carlile (m.21); and again, 9 Apr. 1472, as Richard Carlele, gent., *alias* of Frodsham, Cheshire, *alias* late of Gray's Inn, *alias* late farmer of Frodsham (m.33). He was probably the comnr. in Yorks. in 1468.

We cannot be sure that the same Richard Carlisle was an elector in Beds. 1467, first obtained Roxton-Woodend, Beds., in 1472⁵—J.P. Beds., 7 Dec. 1473 to 14 June 1483—and was buried with his wife Jane in All Saints church, Campton, Beds., in 1489.⁶ Possibly a lawyer might so shift quarters.

¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 453.

² To be bur. in St. Mary's, Bury St. Edmunds. Margaret his w. to have lands in Worcestershire, Suffolk and Essex, except Sapperton, Suffolk, which is to go to his s. and h. John with remainder to sons William and Thomas. Exix. :—w. Margaret. Supervisor—the Earl of Oxford, with his brother Blake and Sir Thomas Cripping under him (P.C.C., 11 Moone).

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 64/472.

⁴ *ibid.* 53/266.

⁵ *Ex inf.* Miss M. Fletcher.

⁶ H. W. Macklin, *Monumental brasses*, p. 144.

CARLISLE (KARLILL), ROBERT, junior (1400-68); lawyer. M.P. Carlisle 1449 (1).

Perhaps s. of Robert Carlisle, M.P. Carlisle 1413-22, a verderer of Inglewood who was recently dead in 1433 (*Cal. Cl. Rolls*, 1433, 206).

Elector, Cumbd., 1431, 1433, 1437, 1447, 1453, 1459. J.P. Cumbd., and of the quorum, 22 May 1447 till death; on Cumbd. comns., 1437, to the Lancastrian array, Dec. 1459.

D., to judge from his J.P.ships, between 10 Feb. 1466 and 6 Feb. 1471.

CARLISLE (CARLYLL), THOMAS; probably of Cumberland. M.P. Wallingford 1449 (1).

In Nov. 1485 two acres of land near "Betilbrigge," Cumberland, which the heirs of Thomas Carlisle lately held, was granted to Christopher Moresby and Richard Coldale.¹

CARMINOW, THOMAS (1390-1442); of Ashwater, Devon, esq. M.P. CORNWALL 1423, 1429; DEVONSHIRE 1442.

Yr. s. of William Carminow of Boconnoc, Cornwall (*d.* 1407), by Margaret (*d.* 1420) da. of — Kelly; *m.* Jane (*d.* 1440)² da. of Robert Hill, perhaps his decd. bro's. wife;³ and was heir to his nephew, John Carminow, in 1421; left two das. as heirs.⁴

Sheriff, Cornwall, 1423-4, and 10 Feb. to 5 Nov. 1430; on many comns. 1426-41; elector, Corn., 1429, 1432, 1433; sworn to the peace in Devon 1434; pardoned 1437, as of Ashwater. In 1438 Sir William Bonville sued him for the sporting offence of abducting an heiress;⁵ and next year a comn. enquired into the criminal charge that the squire of Ashwater with many others unknown, lay in wait for Bonville divers times and threatened him so that he dared not go openly about his business. He should have gone to Aquitaine in 1440, but Letters of Protection were withdrawn because he tarried in Devon.

D. Dec. 1442,⁵ but his will is not found.⁶

CARPENTER, HENRY (1425-80); of Dorking. M.P. Steyning 1472-5.

He took out a pardon for the Cade affair as Henry Carpenter of Dorking; and by the same style he was sued by Richard Staples for a messuage and lands in Dorking 1455.⁷ A juror at Guildford 1460; a comnr. in Sussex 1461; and a juror in Southwark 1471, 1472, at Reigate 1472, and at Kingston, Surrey, 1474.⁸

¹ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 170.

² 18 Sept. 1440; Writ *diem clausit* to eschr. of Cornwall (Fine Roll, 19 Hen. VI, m.24).

³ 1438 Sir William Bonville sued Thomas Carminow of Ashwater, esq., and Jane, widow of Walter Carminow of Belly (eld. bro. of Thomas), for abducting from Belly, Annora da. and h. of John Trevanion, whose marriage belonged to Bonville, Jane being the mother of Annora (*Geneal.* N.S. xviii.).

⁴ Vivian, *Cornwall*, p. 74; *Geneal.* xvii. 246.

⁵ Inq. *p.m.* 21 Hen. VI, No. 46.

⁶ About ten years later Richard Norden, draper, sued Richard Ayrcot, parson of Ashwater, and John Palmer of Launceston, as exors. of Thomas Carminow of Ashwater, for debt; and Sir Hugh Courtenay also sued them for the manors of Ashwater, Boconnoc, Brodok and Tamerton. As the Bonviles and Courtenays were in perpetual feud all these years it seems rather hard that Carminow was in trouble with both of them (*Early Chan. Proc.* 18/66 and 26/66).

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 25/162.

⁸ Anc. Indicts. of K.B., extracts at College of Arms.

CARPENTER, JOHN, the younger (1390-1442/3); Common Clerk of the City 1417-38, lawyer. M.P. London 1437, 1439-40.

Yr. s. of Richard Carpenter, chandler of London, by Christine his wife, and yr. bro. of John Carpenter the elder, Master of St. Anthony, King's chaplain, and bishop of Worcester 1444-76.

Clerk to one Marchaunt, common clerk of the City, and succeeded him in that office in 1417—his exor. in 1421; exor. also for William Est and for Richard Whittington, M.P., that same year;¹ the corporation granted him £10 a year for life, Feb. 1430; and leased land and shops to him and his wife Katherine for a red rose at Midsummer, Feb. 1431.² In Apr. 1431 he was to be repaid his advances to the Crown out of the tenth granted by the clergy. Unlike other common clerks of the City he is quite often styled "Secretary" also; and he wrote a book, the *Liber Albus*, on the laws, customs and privileges of the City. He founded a chantry at St. Pauls in 1430, and founded that Carpenter's charity which was used a century ago to endow the City of London School.

The Commonalty granted in Dec. 1436, "to their beloved Secretary" that he be not charged with any office. In Dec. 1439, while M.P., a similar exemption from national office was granted to him, "who from youth up served the King and his progenitors in that place". As clerk of the City he was put on a Norwich comn. 1437; and Carpenter was a feoffee for Thomas Burgoyne, M.P., at Barking in 1436.³ He was succeeded as Common Clerk by Richard Brunt, 4 Oct. 1438, and he is called "late clerk" when elected to Parliament in 1439. In Apr. 1440 the City's late representatives in Parlt. were appointed to apportion relief from the subsidy among the poor parishes of London.⁴ In Jan. 1441, his brother the King's chaplain, with Somerseth the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and John Carpenter, junior, had a joint grant of Theobalds, Herts. In the dispute about sanctuary between the City and St. Martins-le-Grand, Carpenter was counsel for the City. So he may be supposed a lawyer.

D. 1442/3. Will, dat. 8 Mar. 1442, in which he styles himself "junior", mentions his bro. of the same name, Master of St. Anthony, and his own wife Katerine.⁵ Katerine died as his widow in 1457/8, and in her will arranges prayers for the souls of her late husband and of his parents Richard and Christine.⁶

CARPENTER, JOHN (1400-50); of Portsmouth, merchant or fisher. M.P. Portsmouth 1427, 1431, 1442. There was a John Carpenter, "senior", M.P. for Portsmouth 1432, 1435 and 1437, probably the same man.

On the Pardon Roll, 1437, he is described as of Portsmouth, merchant or fisher (m.9); a manucaptor for John Colayn, M.P. Portsmouth in 1447; and a John Carpenter, perhaps a son of the same name, was an elector in Portsmouth 1478.

¹ As Whittington's exor. he helped to rebuild Newgate prison (*Letter Book K.* pp. 19, 39).

² *Letter Book K.* pp. 108, 119, 294.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 115.

⁴ *Letter Book K.* p. 239.

⁵ R. R. Sharpe, *London Wills*, 536.

⁶ Thomas Brewer, *Memoir of John Carpenter*, 1836.

CARPENTER, JOHN (1410-55); of Hastings and London, fishmonger.
M.P. Hastings 1442.¹

Perhaps s. of Thomas Carpenter, M.P. for Hastings 1429-37.

In June 1437 the Pardon Roll includes John Carpenter, late apprentice of John Lavender, late of London, fishmonger, *alias* John Carpenter of London, fishmonger, *alias* of Hastings, junior (m.19). He was amerced at Brightling by Hastings, 1447.² In 1448/9 the Romney Corporation paid 7s. 6½d. to John Carpenter of Hastings for suit made at Yarmouth, Norfolk, on behalf of the Cinque Ports.³

He may be the father of Henry Carpenter, M.P. for Steyning 1472.

CARR, GEORGE (1440-1505); of Jesmond, merchant, late of Alnwick, gent.
M.P. Newcastle-on-Tyne 1491-2.

It is very doubtful if he was s. of Allen Carr, sheriff of Newcastle in 1451, but he will have been related. He himself was sheriff 1472-3; mayor eleven times between 1481 and 1503; and on a gaol delivery in Newcastle 1505. The general pardon of 1487 describes him as late of Alnwick *alias* late of Harowden, N'hants., gent.,⁴ but the Carr family was ever Northumbrian.

D. c. 1505, bur. with his wife in St. Nicholas, Newcastle.⁵

CARR (KARR), JOHN (1410-88); ald. of York, merchant stapler. M.P.
York city 1449 (1).

Son of Thomas Karr by Isabel; m. Jane.

Sheriff, York, 1440-1; elector, York, ? 1442, 1449 (1), 1449 (2); mayor 1447-8, 1456; exempted for life from all office against his will, 21 Feb. 1447. Merchant stapler who with Thirsk and Lematon (*qq.v.*) lent money to the King which was to be repaid out of the Hull customs, 1449, but he was owed larger sums by 1454.

D. 1488. Will of John Karr, ald. and sometimes mayor of York, was dat. 6 Nov. 1487, pr. at York, 20 Apr. 1488.⁶ His exors. founded under his will a chantry in York to pray for the souls of John Karr and Jane his wife, and of Thomas and Isabel his parents, 18 Apr. 1489.⁷

CARREU see CAREW.

CARTER, THOMAS (1443-1500); of Lynn, merchant. M.P. Lynn
1489-90, 1491-2.

Admtd. freeman of Lynn 1463/4; sued for debt by William Nicholasson, the mayor of Lynn, 1475/6;⁸ elected to the Great Council for Lynn, Dec. (?) 1487.⁹

¹ Called "junior" on the Return.

² *Sussex Rec. Soc.* xxxvii. 142.

³ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* (Romney) v. 542.

⁴ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 29.

⁵ His effigy and that of his w. lay on the great table tomb till 1783 when it was destroyed in a "restoration"; table and effigies were sold by auction; the broken effigy of his w. is now in the Black Gate Museum (C. H. Hunter Blair, esq.).

⁶ To be bur. in par. ch. of St. Sampson's beside w. Johannet; to this ch. he left two silver candlesticks; other gifts of rings to the Minster of Our Lady (York Wills, 5, 327, *ex inf.* W. J. Paylor).

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1489), 263.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 64/538.

⁹ Lynn Hall Books.

At the end of July 1489, while still a sitting burgess for Lynn, Carter was sent with Doctor Hutton, Clarencieux, and his fellow burgess John Balys, to the King of Denmark to arrange terms of a perpetual league of peace and to conclude a treaty.¹ He at least returned safely.

CARTHORPE (CARETHORP), ROBERT (1400-55); of Scarborough.
M.P. Scarborough 1442.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Carthorpe, M.P. for Scarborough 1402, 1413 (*d.* 1427).² Carthorpe is in Yorkshire.

Robert Carthorpe was a pledge for the Scarborough M.P.s in 1447 and 1450.

CARTINGTON (CARTYNGTON), JOHN (1405-58); of Cartington (Towers), esq., ? lawyer. M.P. NORTHUMBERLAND 1429-30, 1433, 1437, 1447.

S. and h. of John Cartington of same, who may be the M.P. in 1429 and 1433.

Escheator of Nhd. 1430-1; J.P. Nhd., and of the quorum, 16 May 1433 till death; elector, Nhd., 1442, 1449 (2); on few Nhd. comns. In May 1442 he had licence to enclose, crenelate, machicolate and provide with towers and battlements his manor of Cartington, and for this he had the authority of Parliament.³

He dealt with the repairs of Roxburgh castle in July 1458; but he died 21 Oct. 1458, when another John, aged 23, was his s. and h. He held Cartington of the Earls of Northumberland. His arms were:—Gules, a fesse between three cart-wheels, gold. His son John (1435-1505) was M.P. for Northumberland in 1472.

CARTINGTON, JOHN (1435-1505); of Cartington, esq.; Customer of Newcastle *c.* 1480, Warden of the March 1495-1505, lawyer. M.P. NORTHUMBERLAND 1472-5.

S. and h. of John Cartington of same, M.P. (1405-58); *m.* 1457 Jane da. and coh. of Robert Claxton of Dylston.⁴

Admtd. Lincoln's Inn 1461; J.P., Nhd., 8 Dec. 1471 to 25 Nov. 1504; on comns., Nhd., mostly array, from 1472; also subsidy 1 Aug. 1483, and gaol delivery 1495-1504. That he was customer of Newcastle under Edward IV is shown by his pardon under Richard III;⁵ eschr., Nhd., 1484-5. Richard III also employed him to treat with the Scots in Jan. 1485.⁶ The coming of the Tudors made little change on the northern March. Cartington remained on the bench, continued to treat with the Scots, conserve the truce, and protect the March.⁷ He was made warden of the March 1495, and remained so till death.⁸ He acted as attorney for Princess Margaret in the negotiations with James IV 1503.⁹ From his J.P. ships

¹ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 470, 472; *Foedera*, V. iv. 1.

² The will of Thomas Carthorpe of Scarborough, dat. 11 Nov. 1426, pr. at York, 27 Nov. 1427. *York Wills*, ii. 500. ³ *Cal. Char. Rolls*, vi. 35.

⁴ *Northd. Co. Hist.* x. 263-4. The Pardon Roll, 1499, describes him and wife Jane "of Cartington esq., alias of Dylston" (m.41).

⁵ of Cartington, alias of Newcastle, alias late customer for Ed. IV in Newcastle (m.29).

⁶ *Foedera*, V. iii. 159. ⁷ *ibid.* V. iv. 45, 46, 62, 79, 141. ⁸ *ibid.* p. 79. ⁹ *ibid.* p. 197.

one would suppose that he died in 1504, but he was on a gaol delivery at Newcastle in 1505, and probably died in that year, leaving an only da. and h. Anne who *m.* Sir Edward Radcliffe.¹

CARWYNNAK, JOHN (1405-65); of Plymouth. M.P. Plymouth 1442.

A witness to a Devon deed, 1431; Mayor of Plymouth 1447-8, 1457-8; the servant of John Carwynnak was pardoned at Exeter 1453; a Justice of gaol delivery in May 1454 and on a comn. *re* the import of wines into Cornwall in 1462.

CARY see CAREW.

CASE, WILLIAM (1450-94); of South Petherton and Norton-under-Hamdon, Som., gent.² Const. of Newcastle-on-Tyne 1485, Usher of the Chamber 1486, ? lawyer. M.P. SOMERSET 1491-2.

S. and h. of John Case, gent.

Since he is described in his pardon, 12 Jan. 1472, as late of St. Mary's att Strand, London, he was probably a lawyer.³ Attainted 1484 as a leader in the Duke of Buckingham's rising in Wilts.;⁴ fled and returned with Henry Tudor, who made this "King's full trusty squire" constable of Newcastle, bailiff of the water of Fosse by York, steward of Trowbridge.⁵ J.P. and eschr. in Som. 1485-6;⁶ also Usher of the Chamber with 20 marks yearly out of Somerset;⁷ Parlt. reversed his attainder⁸ and exempted his grants 1485.⁹ J.P., Somerset, 1486 till death, pardoned 1487;² comn. subsidy on aliens, 21 Jan. 1488.

D. 1 Oct. 1494, leaving a widow Mary and two unmarried das. Will of William Case of Norton-under-Hamedon, Som., pr. 30 Jan. 1495.¹⁰

CASSY, JOHN (1415-83); of Whitfield, Glos. M.P. GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1437, 1447, 1453-4.

Probably g.s. of John Cassy of Whitfield (*d.* 1400), Chief Baron of the Exchequer. In 1433 John Cassy of Southwark, esq., owed the exors. of John Buxton 50s. This may be his father.

Sworn to the peace in Glos. 1434; an elector, Glos., 1449 (2), 1455, 1467. John Cassy of Whitefield, Glos., was indicted for that he had assaulted, in July 1443, John de Aune, esq., coroner of Gloucester, and well-nigh severed his right arm with a knife; committed to the Tower of London by the Lords of the Council, and pardoned in Nov. 1445. Eschr., Heref., 1446-7; J.P., Glos., 16 Nov. 1456 to 27 Mar. 1458, 8 Feb. 1468 to 11 Dec. 1470, 30 June 1471 to 14 May 1483;

¹ *Nhd. Co. Hist.* x. 264.

² Pardon Roll, 20 Nov. 1487—of So. Pederton, Som., esq., *alias* late of Norton-under-Hampden, Som., *alias* gent. (m.25).

³ Pardon Roll, 12 Jan. 1472—of Southpederton, Som., gent., *alias* late of London, late of psh. of St. Mary att Strand, Mdsx.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 246a.

⁵ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 459.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1495), 21.

⁷ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 459.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 273.

⁹ *ibid.* vi. 365b.

¹⁰ Mentions his unmd. das. Edith and Mary, his two bastard sons, his bro. John Case; bequeaths a goshawk to Sir William Hody (*q.v.*). Exix. :—Mary his wife (P.C.C.).

on Glos. comns. 1450 to 1480, including the Lancastrian array in Dec. 1459; a comn. was issued to enquire into the extortions practised by John Cassy in Glos. 1455; pardoned with Lancastrians, 30 Oct. 1455 (m.21); again 1468 as "of Whitefeld, Glos., esq., *alias* late of London, gent."; sheriff of Glos. 1469-70, and struck off the Bench by the Readeption govt., being restored on the "arrival" of Edward IV.

Whitefield is in the parish of Deerhurst; in 1494 Elizabeth, relict of John Cassy, died and was buried at Deerhurst. Her will mentions sons John and William, and she desires to be buried beside her husband. John Cassy, called of Missarden, junior, gent., had a grant of land in Heref. in Dec. 1480, and presumably his father was then still alive, and died in, or soon after, 1483.

CASTLAKE, JOHN (1440-95); of Romney. M.P. Romney 1489-90.

Castlake and Scras rode to Dover about the prisoners in Scotland, and Romney paid their expenses, 1469/70. In 1478/9, "at the time of proclaiming the banns of Lyd and Folkstone", Romney paid for the expenses of the men of Lydd at the house of John Castlake. In 1483/4 he rode to Canterbury about a silver mace.¹

CATERICK (CATRYK), JOHN (1405-70); alderman of York, mercer. M.P. York city 1449-50. Lancastrian.

Son of Thomas Caterick (*d.* 1433), by his wife Alice; *m.* Jane da. of Richard Knight (*d.* 1453), by his wife Margaret (*d.* 1456).²

Admitted freeman 1425; constable 1437-41,³ and master of the Merchants' Guild 1442, 1449 and 1450;³ chamberlain of York 1440; sheriff 1443-4; M.P. 1449-50; mayor 1453-4;⁴ eschr. of the Duke of Bedford's lands in Yorks. and Northumberland 1439;⁵ elector, Yorks., 1442, and York city, 1447, 1449 (1), 1449 (2) when elected, and 1453 when alderman. A man of this name was pardoned 28 Oct. 1455 as "of Stanwykes, Yorks., esq." (m.4). He was on the Lancastrian comns. in Yorks., Mar. to June 1460, and is said to have fought at Wakefield and to have been attainted 1461 as "John Caterall, late of Brayton, Yorks., gent."⁶ However, he seems to have been a surviving feoffee in 1466.⁷

CATESBY (CATISBY), (Sir) WILLIAM (1415-79);⁸ of Ashby St. Leger, N'hants., and of Lapworth, Warw. Squire of the Household. M.P. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 1449 (1); WARWICKSHIRE 1449-50; NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 1453-4.

S. of John Catesby of Althorpe, M.P., N'hants, 1425 (who was s. of John Catesby of Ashby St. Leger by Rose Montfort, h. of Lapworth), by Margaret;⁹ *m.* (1) Jane

¹ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* v. (Romney), 545-7.

³ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

⁵ *Enr. Accts.* F. 17. Hen. VI. M.

⁷ On the whole it seems unlikely that a merchant of 55 should fight at Wakefield, or be "of Brayton".

⁸ The *Dict. Nat. Biog.* says that he *d.* in 1470, but the date given in the return of sheriffs (*Lists and Indexes*) is almost certainly correct—1479.

⁹ In May 1446, Dame Margaret Catesby, late w. of John Catesby, esq., and William Catesby, esq., s. and h. of John and Margaret, demised lands in Henley-in-Arden (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. 297).

² *Test. Ebor.* ii. 201-2.

⁴ Scaife's Lists.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* v. 477-9.

da. of Sir Thomas Barre ; and (2) Philippe da. and coh. of Sir William Bishopston of Castleton, by whom he had William Catesby (*q.v.*), Richard III's Chancellor of the Exchq. and Speaker.

William must have been of age in 1442, when he was made sheriff of N'hants. He was again sheriff 1451-2, 1455-6 and 1470-1 ; sheriff, Heref., 1458-9, and 1478 till death during 1479 ; J.P., N'hants., 20 Nov. 1443 to 8 June 1461, 15 May 1465 till sheriff in 1470, and 10 Nov. 1475 till death ; J.P., Warw., 7 May 1452 to 22 Nov. 1458, and 16 May 1466 to 22 Dec. 1470.

He was exempted from the Act of Resumption passed by the Parlt. of 1449 (2) (in which he sat), both as squire of the Household and as regards his annuity of £10 for life from the fee farm of Fawsley, N'hants. ; elector, N'hants., 1447, 1449 (2), 1455, 1467. Shaw says that he was kntd. at Christmas 1449,¹ but he was called "esq." when made sheriff of N'hants., Nov. 1451, and was paid as William Catesby, squire of the Body, 7 May 1453.² He was probably kntd. while he sat in Parlt. in 1453. Pardoned, 5 Mar. 1456,³ and 1 May 1458. He was removed from the bench when the Yorkists arrived, and pardoned with other late Lancastrian officials, Feb. 1462. The Readeption govt., 1470-1, made him sheriff of Northamptonshire. He was pardoned again by the Yorkists in somewhat leisurely fashion on 23 Feb. 1472. In 1476 Sir William was farming the lands of Combe Abbey, Warw., for a rent of 100s., and by 1481 the abbot had conveyed Rodbourne Grange to his s., William Catesby.⁴ He *d.* in 1479.⁵

CATESBY, WILLIAM (1450-85) ; of Ashby St. Leger, N'hants, of Lapworth, Warw., and Althorpe, N'hants., lawyer. Chancellor and Chamberlain of the Exchq., Squire of the Body 1483-5. M.P. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE (?), 1484 (Speaker), and probably 1483 (1).

S. and h. of Sir William Catesby, M.P. (1415-79), by Philippa (Bishopston) ; *m.* 1471 Margaret da. of William, lord Zouch,⁶ and had George Catesby who *m.* Empson's da.

John, lord Scrope, had *m.* (2) Elizabeth widow of William, lord Zouche, and in Dec. 1471 they conveyed to Catesby lands in Leics.,⁷ and again, in 1481, in N'hants.⁸ He was a feoffee in N'hants. 1478, and giving "good counsel" to the Prior of Laund 1482 ;⁹ steward of Lord Latimer's lands in N'hants. 1482.¹⁰ He probably sat in the 1483 (Jan.) Parlt., since he was made Speaker in the next and it was not usual to make any man Speaker in his first Parliament.

He was not with Richard of Gloucester when he seized Edward V ; and Earl Rivers, just before his execution, made Catesby an exor. of his will—seeking a powerful friend. He was in fact on Lord Hastings' council, and has been charged with conniving at his murder ; for he succeeded him at once as Chamberlain at

¹ Shaw, *Knights*, i. 132.

² Issue Rolls. Yet he was called "Sir" William in a demise by his mother and himself of land in Hazelholt, Warw., 1451.

³ As "son and heir of John Catesby, esq., decd., *alias* William Catesby, late of Lapworth, Warwickshire, kn., late of Rodburn, Warwickshire" (m.7).

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. 37, 38.

⁵ See note 8 on page 163.

⁶ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Wm. Catesby.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. 85.

⁸ *ibid.* iv. 293.

⁹ *ibid.* iv. 509.

¹⁰ *ibid.* iv. 306.

the Receipt of the Exchq., and was made Chancellor of the Exchequer and Chancellor of the Earldom of March, 30 June 1483. J.P., Warw., 9 Aug. 1483 till death; J.P. N'hants., J.P. also Glos., Leics. and Berks. Like Strelley (*q.v.*) he took private bonds as pledges for good behaviour—very many, lords and others, were bound in cash to this Squire of the Body,¹ “well versed in law.”² Lord Dudley appointed him—“his kinsmen”—steward of his manors for life.³ Altogether he had from Richard III grants of lands worth £273 a year.⁴ He was sent to treat with the Scots, Sept. 1484, with the ambassador of Brittany, Feb. 1485.⁵ Speaker 24 Jan. 1484.

He was taken prisoner at Bosworth 22 Aug., and beheaded at Leicester 25 Aug. 1485. Will of William Catesby of Ashby St. Leger, dat. 25 Aug. 1485, pr. 31 Jan. 1486.⁶ Attainted 1485/6;⁷ attainder reversed on petition of his son George 1495.⁸

CATRYK see CATERICK.

CATWORTH (CUTTEWORTH), THOMAS (1390–1454); ald. of London, grocer and wool merchant,⁹ and of Norwich. M.P. London 1433,¹⁰ 1437,¹¹ 1445–6, 1449 (1).

A surety in 1422, and a trustee in 1424; described as citizen and grocer of London 1429. In 1436 he had lands and rents worth £24 annually in Essex¹² and Norfolk. Pardoned 1437;¹³ alderman 1435 till c. 1451; sheriff 1435–6; master of the Grocers' company 1436–7, 1444–6; mayor of London 1443–4.¹⁴ On

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 161; v. 471.

² So described by Sir Thomas More.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. 196.

⁴ Ratcliff had £666 a year, Catesby £273, Lovell £400—“the Rat, the Cat and Lovell our dog”—but Montgomery had £412 a year, and Lord Stanley £687 (Ramsay, *Lanc. and Yorks.* ii. 534).

⁵ *Foedera*, V. iii. 157, 160.

⁶ Exix.—my beloved wife to whom I have always been faithful of my body. She is to restore lands wrongfully purchased. “I doute not the King wille be good and gracious lord to theym for he is called a full gracious prince and I never offended him by my good and free will for Gode I take to my juge I have enloved hym.” That all other bequests in my other will executed as my especial trust is in your masteres Margarete (the lady Margaret) to ask my lords of Winchester, Worcester and London to help execute. My lords Stanley, Strange and all that blood help and pray for my soul for ye have not for my body as I trusted in you. And if my issue receive my land I pray you let Master John Elton have the best benefice. An my lord Lovell come to grace then that ye show to him that he pray for me. And uncle John remember my soul as ye have done my body and better. And I pray you see the sadeler Hartlington be paid (P.C.C., 15 Logge).

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 276.

⁸ *ibid.* vi. 490.

⁹ Power and Postan, *English trade in 15th century*, p. 16.

¹⁰ A return was made in Mar. 1434 by the four City M.P.s of their apportionment between parishes of the £75 alleviation of the payment of the tenth granted in the last Parl.—with consent of the Bishop of London. (*Letter Bk. K.* p. 177.)

¹¹ After the Parl. of 1437 an indenture was made witnessing that the four City M.P.s had nominated four persons to levy and receive the subsidy in the City granted by that Parl. This illustrates the willingness even of the 15th century M.P. to act where he is making a gift or deduction of tax to his constituents and his reluctance to have anything to do with the actual raising of money. (*Letter Bk. K.* p. 211.)

¹² P.R.O. Subsidy roll, E. 179/238/90, cited by Dr. Thrupp.

¹³ Pardon Roll, 1437, as citizen and grocer of London, *alias* alderman, *alias* exor. of the will of John Preston (m.1).

¹⁴ Beaven, *Aldermen of London*, ii. 8.

London comns.—subsidy 1428, 1433, 1437, and oyer and terminer 1450; J.P. and warden of Norwich city, 24 Aug. 1446; elector, London, 1450. Though a magnate, he was fined for selling spices at a fair!¹ As mayor he passed restrictions on Sunday trading² and “ordeyned that the Sunday should be held high and holy.”

D. 1454. Will, dat. 1 Feb., pr. at Lambeth, 12 Mar. 1454.³

CAUS, WILLIAM (1415-75); of Lynn, alderman, merchant. M.P. Lynn 1463-5.

£8 was owed to William Caus of Wisbech in 1440; but William Caus was only admitted freeman of Lynn in 1450/1, probably when made controller of the search in the port of Lynn, 11 Feb. 1450. Pardoned, 25 May 1452, “Wm. Cause of Lynn, yeoman” (m.8). He is called alderman, 16 Dec. 1461, when senior warden of the guild of St. George at Lynn. Mayor 1464, 1465.⁴ The Lynn Hall Books record under 6 Sept. 1465:—“On same day, Wm. Caus and Robt. Thoresby declared the acts of the parliament. And the same burgesses tarried at the parliament through one hundred and twenty three days.”

D. 1475. Will of Wm. Caus, burgess and merchant of Lynn, dat. 1 Sept. 1475.⁵

CAVELL (CANNELL), RICHARD (1455-1507/8); ald. of Stamford, stapler. M.P. Stamford 1497, 1504.

He was alderman (= mayor) of Stamford in 1497;⁶ and died 1507/8. Will, in which he is described as of Stamford, merchant of the staple, dat. 8 Apr. 1507, pr. 11 Nov. 1508.⁷

CAXTON, ROBERT (1445-1500); of Oxford, B.A., lawyer. M.P. Oxford boro' 1491-2.

He was a bachelor of laws and acting as proxy for the rector of Lincoln college, Oxford, in June, 1483;⁸ J.P. and of the quorum, Oxford town, 26 Aug. 1483 onwards; attorney for the prior of St. Frideswide, Jan. 1484;⁹ and did legal

¹ Dr. S. L. Thrupp, *The Merchant Class of London in the 15th Century* (unpublished), p. 119.

² *Letter Book K.*, 293.

³ To be bur. in St. Andrew's, Norwich, next to Marjorie, once his w. 13s. 4d. to the High Altars there; 13s. 4d. to St. Stephen's, Walbrook. To w. Agnes all houses and tenements in Norwich and manor of Manningtree, Essex. Residue to exors.:—wife Agnes and John Burton, grocer, and John Men, cit. of Norwich (Lambeth Wills, 318b. Kemp).

⁴ *Le Strange, Norfolk Official Lists*.

⁵ To be bur. in St. Margarets, Lynn. Masses for self and wife, for parents, for Isabel late his wife and John Andrewe once her husband and John Andrew their s. Bequests to w. Jane; a one-third part to s. Richard. Bequests to John Caus and to bro. Thomas Caus, and to Matthew s. of his wife Jane and John her other s. Residue to exors.:—Nic. Cumett clerk, Robt. Thoresby (M.P.), Thos. Thornham and John Medowe taverner (P.C.C., 18 Watty).

⁶ Drakard, *Hist. of Stamford*, p. 100.

⁷ P.C.C., 8 Bennett—To be bur. as God disposes. Two tenements in Louth to be sold to pay debts. Residue to w. Alice; she, master Richard Mason, *Bach. Leg.*, and Richard Cavell, exors.

⁸ *Oxford Hist. Soc.* vol. li (Eynsham Cartulary, ii).

⁹ *ibid.* vol. xxviii. 1, 493 (St. Frideswide Cartulary, i).

work for the University, 2 Ric. III.¹ He was admitted to Lincoln's Inn,² Aug. 1486; recommended by the Crown for the office of esquire bedel of the faculty of laws within the University of Oxford, vacant by the death of Thomas Hert, 31 Dec. 1491.³ This recommendation was made while he sat as M.P. for Oxford. He was probably dead by 1509 as he does not appear in the 1509 pardon roll.

CAYZER (KAYSER), WILLIAM (1405-65); of East Harnham, Wilts.⁴ M.P. Wilton 1449-50.

About 1433 Henry Bradeley sued William Kayser as surety for a debt in Wilts.;⁴ attorney for John Reading 1440;⁵ empanelled, Salisbury, 1462.⁶

CAZER see CAGER.

CECIL (CYSSSELL), DAVID (1470-1541); of Stamford, Lincs., merchant. Yeoman of the Chamber 1506-13, Serjeant-at-arms 1513-41. M.P. Stamford 1504, 1510, 1512-4, 1515, 1523.

Third s. of Richard Cecil of Alt-yr-Ynys, Heref. (d. 1508), by Maud da. of William Philip Vaughan.⁷ M. (1) Alice da. and h. of John Dicons of Stamford, by Margaret da. of John Semark, by whom he had Richard Cecil of Burghley, M.P. (d. 1552), father of the Secretary of State; and (2) Jane da. and h. of Thomas Roos of Dowsby, Lincs., and widow of Edward Villiers of Floore, N'hants.

David Cecil may have come to Stamford from Wales with Sir David Philip, M.P. (1450-1506), who served at Bosworth; perhaps Philip was Cecil's mother's bro.⁸ Jointly and for good service the two Davids were made keepers of King's Cliffe forest, N'hants., July 1506; and Cecil was an exor. of Sir David's will that year—he founded a chantry at Stamford to pray for the soul of Sir David and of his wife when she should die, Nov. 1506. Cecil was on a Rutland comm. 1496; commr. of sewers, Lincs., 1503, 1505, 1524; ald. (i.e. Mayor) of Stamford 1504, 1515, 1526.⁹ As King's servant he was made bailiff of Whittlesea Mere, Hunts., and keeper of the swans there, 20 Dec. 1506, which office he passed on to his s. in 1536. As "Yeoman of the Chamber" he was made receiver of Preston and Uppingham, Rutland, and of Skellingthorpe, Lincs., 7 July 1509.¹⁰ In Nov. 1513, while M.P., he was made serjeant-at-arms with 1s. a day wage.¹¹ He farmed the lands at Essendine, Rutland, and elsewhere, late of the Lady Margaret, countess of Richmond, and was King's serjeant-at-arms when made chief steward of Colly Weston, N'hants.¹² The Richmond connection continued,¹³ so did the keeping of

¹ *Oxford Hist. Soc.* vol. lxxx (1920).

² Pardoned all vacations and admitted to repasts, for which he shall give 20s. and a buck (*Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, 84).

³ *Oxford Hist. Soc.* vol. xxxvi (1898) (Epist. Acad. Oxon., ii. 603-811).

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 12/261.

⁵ *Tropenell Cart.* i. 244.

⁶ Anc. Indict. of K.B. 9/135. 28. 31B.

⁷ Blore, *Rutland*.

⁸ David Cecil's father's mother is said to have been Margaret da. of John Phelips (Blore, *Rutland*); and Sir David Philip m. Anne da. of Thomas Semark of Thornhaugh, N'hants. (Bridges, *Northants*).

⁹ Drakard, *Hist. of Stamford*, 101, 181.

¹⁰ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 132 (49).

¹¹ *ibid.* i. 2535 (13).

¹² *ibid.* iii. 3289 (18).

¹³ 2 Aug. 1525 the Duke of Richmond's council write to Wolsey "The Duke of Richmond (then aged 6) has been to Cliff Park where he killed a buck himself and Davy Sicile made him good cheer" (*L. & P. Hen. VIII*, iv. 1540).

the swans.¹ Cecil corresponded and was closely associated with Thomas Cromwell;² his s. Richard was made page of the wardrobe by 1532,³ and in 1536 the same son took over his father's bailiwick of Whittlesea Mere. Sheriff, N'hants., 1532-3; Cromwell employed Cecil to survey the monasteries in Rutland in June 1536; J.P. Rutland, 16 Feb. 1531 till death.

D. 1541, leaving two sons and a da. under age. Will of David Cysell of Stamford, dat. 30 June 1535, pr. 16 Mar. 1542.⁴ This ancestor of all the Cecils is an early example of a man sitting continuously in Parlt. It may be noted that Cromwell, that good Parliamentarian, was also a Welshman.

CELY, ALEXANDER (1430-85); Yeoman of Chamber 1461-76; King's Serjeant 1476-83. M.P. Gloucester boro' 1472-5, 1478.

Such a man was made conservator and searcher of the King's river of "Sevarne" from "le marke of Silly" to Worcester bridge, 1461. John Spede and Cely, both yeomen of the Chamber, were granted the goods of a felon in Gloucestershire who had been attainted 1465. Elector, Glos., 1472, when elected for the boro', but no Cely appears in the 1455 Gloucester rental. The yeoman of the Chamber was made serjeant-at-arms with 1s. a day out of Beds. and Bucks.—as Thomas Chambre, decd., serjeant, had, 13 Jan. 1476.

CHAFFYN (CHAFEE), JOHN (1430-90); of Salisbury, gent. M.P. Salisbury 1472-5.

Perhaps s. of an earlier John Chaffyn who was a feoffee in Wilts., 1446, and, before 1455, had a tenement in Castle Street, Salisbury.⁵

John Chaffyn of Salisbury, gent., was pardoned 8 Feb. 1458 and 3 Feb. 1462. He was made clerk of the works at Clarendon 1453, taking masons for repair of Clarendon in 1460; on a Wilts. comm. 1473. Presumably the same man was one of the three to array the citizens when Henry Tudor landed at Milford Haven.⁶ The family is now of Leak and Mere, Wilts.⁵

CHAL',⁷ WALTER. M.P. Westbury 1449 (1).

There is a Broad Chalke and a Bower Chalke in Wilts., whence Chalk might take his name. A Chalk family lived in Salisbury; but the name is probably Chalers, cf. Sir John Chalers, M.P. Berks. (*q.v.*).

¹ Cecil sends Cromwell a couple of cygnets, 1532 (*Cal. L. & P. Hen. VIII*, v. 1424).

² Cecil to Cromwell, 1532 (*ibid.* v. 1516, 1517), 1534, reflecting on justice in the town of Nottingham "where the King's laws are little regarded" (*ibid.* vii. 186).

³ In 1532 Richard Cecil, page of the Wardrobe, was granted a lease of Essendine, Rutland, as granted to his father David in 1517 (*ibid.* v. 1370 (7)).

⁴ To be bur. in St. George's, Stamford. Wife Jane to have the plate, etc., which she had before marriage. Lands in Stamford to wife. £20 to da. Jane, but his wife to have keeping of it till the daughter's marriage. To son Richard his title and interest in chantry lands that were given to find a priest to pray for the soul of Sir Davy Philip. Bequests to yr. son David. Exor.:—son Richard (P.C.C., 3 Spert).

⁵ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

⁶ Benson & Hatcher, *Old & New Sarum*, 207; but a John Chaffyn, junior, of Warminster, Hill Deverill, Codford and N. Chilterne, Wilts., was pardoned, 27 May 1485 (m.9).

⁷ Given as "Chalk" in the printed *Official Return*, but it is plainly Chal'.

CHALCOTE, RICHARD (1400-56); probably of Hants. M.P. Wareham 1442.

He was on a Dorset Inq. *p.m.* jury in 1435; witnessed a Bridport deed 1443;¹ on a committee in connection with piracy at Poole in 1453, and a justice of gaol delivery at Winchester in 1455.

Either he or Richard Chalcote, jun., M.P. Wareham 1455, was eschr. of Hants before 1454-5.

CHALCOTE, RICHARD (1420-57); of Dorset. M.P. Wareham 1455-6 "junior".

Presumably s. of Richard Chalcote, M.P. Wareham (1400-56). He was eschr. of Hants, 1454-5, and on comns. in Hants in 1454 and 1455; elector, Dorset, 1455, when elected for Wareham.

D. 26 Sept. 1457, when William, aged 14, was his s. and h.; lands—nil in Hants.

CHALERS (CHALER), Sir JOHN (1412-67); of Whaddon, Cambs., and of Lyford, Berks.² M.P. BERKSHIRE 1447. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir Thomas Chalers (*d.* 1442); *m.* Maud (*d.* 1471), widow of William Vyall and da. and h. of John Coudray, of Lyford, Berks.³

Pardoned outlawry in Nov. 1436, as "late of Whaddon, Cambs., gent."; sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 1443-4; sheriff, Cambs. and Hunts., 1445-7 when elected for Berks.; kntd. 1444/5, and exempted from all offices Nov. 1447; sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 1451-2; elector, Cambs., 1450; J.P., Berks., 20 Mar. 1453 to 28 Feb. 1463. Summoned to the Great Council meeting, 16 Apr. 1455, for Berkshire; again exempted from all office in Aug. 1458; on Berks. comns., including the Lancastrian array, 1457 to Dec. 1459. As a Lancastrian he and his wife were pardoned by Edward IV, Dec. 1461, as "of Lyford."

D. 1467,⁴ leaving das. and coh. s.

CHALERS, ROBERT. M.P. Liskeard 1447.

Unidentified, but probably of the same family as Sir John Chalers (*q.v.*), M.P. for Berks. in this same Parlt., and therefore, probably, a "carpet-bagger" from Cambs.

CHALONER, THOMAS (1420-70); of Cuckfield, Sussex, gent.; lawyer. M.P. East Grinstead 1460-1.

Such a man was a Chichester elector 1442 and on a Sussex piracy comn. 1455. On 28 Nov. 1460 20 marks were owed to Thos. Chaloner of Cuckfield, Sussex, gent. Also in 1449 a Thos. Chaloner, *artes magister*, matriculated at King's College, Cambridge.⁵ They may well all be the same man and the M.P.

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 169.

² Pardon Roll, Dec. 1461 (m.7).

³ Sir John Chalers and Maud his wife, and John Lang and Mary his wife, sisters and co-heirs of Thos. Wayte, held jointly Herbrigge in Ashampstead, Berks. In 1471 Maud widow of Sir John Chalers died seized of this manor (*ex inf.* E. N. Dormer).

⁴ *Ex inf.* Dr. Palmer, citing Eschq. Inq. 1/589.

⁵ *Alumni Etonienses*.

CHAMBER (CHAMBRE), THOMAS (1420-75); of Kendal. M.P. Appleby 1455-6.

S. and h. of John Chambre of Kendal, living 1408. In 1445/6 Thomas witnessed a grant of a house in Kirby-Kendal. The accounts of tithe "meal silver" in the parish of Kirby-Kendal in 1459 show the tithe of the tillage of Thomas Chambre at 3 bushels, 2s. 3d. (Roll at Levens Hall).¹ He was an elector in Westmorland in 1467.

He must not be confounded with the N'hants. or Norfolk sheriff and J.P. of the preceding generation, nor with Edward IV's Serjeant-at-Arms, Thomas Walton, *alias* of Chambre. But he may possibly be the purveyor of cattle, meat and poultry to the Household 1448-55.

CHAMBER, THOMAS. M.P. Leominster 1491-2.

No trace locally. Thomas Chambre was arrested on suspicion of a felony in Cambs., c. 1470.

CHAMBERLAIN, Sir ROBERT (1435-91); of Capel and Gedding, Suffolk. Knt. of the Body, King's Carver, and Chancellor of the Treasury of Ireland 1468-85. M.P. SUFFOLK 1472-5, (? 1483).

S. and h. of Sir Roger Chamberlain of Gedding M.P. (1410-65) by Margaret (Martin); *m.* Elizabeth da. and h. of John FitzRalph of Kingston, Cambs., and of Capel, by whom Sir Edward.² His sister Elizabeth *m.* William Canning, M.P.

He was a servant of the Crown by Dec. 1462 when he was one of those sent with victuals to relieve the Earl of Warwick in Warkworth castle;³ apptd. as gauger in port of Poole 1466, but still at Court 1467, when conducting the French embassy to Windsor;⁴ kntd. 1467/8; pardoned 12 Apr. 1468;⁵ sheriff of Merioneth 20 Oct. 1469. He went into exile with Edward IV, and when they sailed again for England the two knights—Chamberlain and Debenham—were landed at Cromer to reconnoitre, but found it unpromising and returned on board ship, 12 Mar. 1471.⁶ Then, or before, he was Knt. of the Body, and as such went with the King to France 1475, but before sailing he obtained grants of Little Bromley, Essex, and of Chambres manor in Epping, while jointly with Elizabeth his wife, his other lands were covenanted—Pebmarsh, Essex, Rokeland, Norfolk, Capel, Suff., Kingston, Cambs.⁷ In 1478 he seems to have been closely connected with "my lady of Suffolk";⁸ he seized the manor of Sculton, Norf.,⁹ and sued for the deeds;¹⁰ visited Italy, May 1482—for Edward IV wrote to the Duke of Milan on his behalf—"my carver and chancellor of Ireland."¹¹ J.P. Suffolk, 11 July 1478 to June 1483; J.P. Norfolk, 18 July 1480 to 7 Oct. 1481; on Suffolk comns. to 1484. Though removed from the bench, he maintained his position under Richard III. Still knt. of the Body, he was made sheriff of Anglesey; and, with Ralph his son, receiver of N. Wales, keeper of Snowden, and constable of

¹ *Ex inf.* H. Hornyold-Strickland.

² *Visitn. Cambs.*, 41; *Visitn. Suffolk*, 71.

³ *Paston Letters*, ii. 121.

⁴ Issue Roll, Easter 7 E. IV., 13 July.

⁵ "of Gidding, Suff., late esq. or knt., a King's carver, chancellor or Treasurer of Ireland" (m.4).

⁶ *The Arrival*, p. 2.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1475), p. 515.

⁸ *Paston Letters*, iii. 216.

⁹ *ibid.* iii. 235.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 58/390.

¹¹ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 450.

Beaumaris with 24 soldiers. All came to an end with the arrival of Henry Tudor. In Oct. 1488 he was seized, attainted of high treason, and on 12 Mar. 1491 beheaded on Tower Hill.¹ Ralph was s. and h., aged 25. His wife Elizabeth survived. A younger s., Edward Chamberlain, was pardoned, July 1491—of Gedding, Suff., of Barking, Essex, and of Chertsey, Surrey.

CHAMBERLAIN, Sir ROGER (1405-65); of Gedding, Suffolk. Constable of Queenborough 1441-51, Bedford's, Gloucester's, and Norfolk's Servant. M.P. SUFFOLK 1450-1; NORFOLK 1455-6. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Ralph Chamberlain of Gedding by Ellen da. of Roger Denny;² m. Margaret da. and h. of John Martin the judge, and their s. Sir Robert (1435-91) was also M.P.

Kntd. by 1430, then a feoffee in Suffolk; exchanged "Chamberlayns maner" in Stoke Neyland for Throgton, Suff., 1433, Sir John Howard being chief witness;³ in the Duke of Bedford's retinue in France, 1435.⁴ J.P. Suffolk, 4 May 1440 to 1447, and 1461 till death; sheriff, Norfolk and Suffolk, 1440-1. The Duke of Gloucester made him constable of Queenborough Castle, which grant he wisely got confirmed on the Patent Rolls, 25 Jan. 1442. Sir Roger, then Duke Humphrey's Chamberlain, was arrested with him at Bury St. Edmunds in Feb. 1447;⁵ he was convicted of High Treason but pardoned, 14 July 1447, after being partially hanged at Tyburn.⁶ This secured his election for Suffolk in 1450, and at the dissolution he was granted £23 for what he had spent while keeping Queenborough castle in Cade's time, and for the bringing up of traitors;⁷ still captain of Queenborough in Aug. 1451.⁸ He became the man of the Duke of Norfolk; pardoned again, 1452, as "of Geddyng, Suffolk, knt., late of Stone next Deptford" (m.11); and the 1453 Parliament reversed the conviction of 1447 of Sir Roger, "late of Greenwich, servant and chamberlain to Humphrey, duke of Gloucester."

The Duchess of Norfolk wrote to John Paston, 8 June 1455, asking him to support the Duke's cousins and servants, John Howard and Sir Roger Chamberlain in the election for Norfolk. They were elected. Chamberlain took out fresh pardons in Sept. 1455, as "of Suffolk, knt." (m.30), and in Feb. 1458 as "of Geddyng, knt., *alias* late J.P., Suffolk" (m.27). He was a Suffolk elector 1459. The last heard of him is in Apr. 1463, when he testified to having been with the Duke of Norfolk before Sir John Fastolf died, when the Duke urged Sir John to sell to him Caistor castle.⁹

CHAMBERLAIN (CHAMBURLEYN), THOMAS (1410-60); of the Household. M.P. Ludgershall 1442; Southampton boro' 1453-4.

Possibly yr. bro. of William Chamberlain of Southampton, M.P. (1395-1445). He was servt. to Mr. Thomas Beckington,¹⁰ the King's secretary; was a yeoman

¹ Kingsford, *Chronicle*, 193.

³ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1429-35).

⁵ *English Chronicle*, p. 117.

⁷ F. Devon, *Issues*, 471.

⁹ *Paston Letters*, ii. 20.

² Davy, Add. MS. 19122, fol. 397.

⁴ Stevenson, *Let. and Pap.*, ii. 436.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1447), 68.

⁸ Issue Roll, Easter 29 Hen. VI, No. 784.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1441), 561.

of the Chamber, and had a grant of land in Lambourne, Berks., all during 1441; was joined with John Say, the Speaker (*q.v.*), in a grant of the petty customs of Bordeaux, Jan. 1445; was granted a yearly pension of £5 from wool in Southampton, Oct. 1445; exempted from Resumption 1449-50, as yeoman of the Chamber; made receiver of the Isle of Wight and governor of Carisbrook castle, June 1450; pardoned, Feb. 1458, and described on the Roll as late yeoman of the Chamber, *alias* of the Isle of Wight (m.33). As he is not among those officials pardoned, Feb. 1462, perhaps he was then dead.¹

CHAMBERLAIN, WILLIAM (1395-1445); of Southampton, lawyer and contractor.² M.P. Southampton boro' 1419, 1420, 1427-8, 1429-30, 1431, 1432, 1433, 1435, 1442.

S. of — Chamberlain by Margaret (Norman);³ *m.* — widow of Henry Kesewyk, by whom he had Jane who *m.* (1) Richard Holt, (2) Constantine Darell (*q.v.*). William was buying houses in Winchester from Margery, widow of Richard Inkpen, 1433. Comnr., Hants, 1435-43; J.P. Hants, of the quorum, and gaol delivery, 28 Oct. 1439 till death. *D.* 6 Apr. 1445; Jane, aged 18, then wife of Richard Holt, was his da. and h.⁴

CHAMBERLAIN, WILLIAM (1445-89); of Bugthorpe, Yorks., esq. M.P. Scarborough 1478.

Bro. of Thomas Chamberlain of Scarborough whose will was pr. at York, 1490;⁵ *m.* Jane, who survived him, took the veil, 23 Dec. 1489, and *d.* 1502.⁶

He is called "esquire" when named as exor. in the will of Thomas Witham (*q.v.*) of Cornburgh in 1474;⁷ one of those to found a chantry at Sheriff-Hutton 1481; J.P. East Riding, and of the quorum, 14 May 1483 till Bosworth. He is closely associated with the Gowers of Sittenham⁸ (powerful under Richard III); exor. of the will of Ralph Gascoigne 1486, and a witness to the will of Ralph, lord Greystoke in 1487. Died 1489. Will pr. at York.⁹

CHANCELLOR (CHAUNCELER), THOMAS (1450-97/8); ald. of Bath. M.P. Bath 1478.

¹ In 1465/70 John Wallop and Jane his wife sued feoffees for the manor of Watching Well in the Isle of Wight, *late of Thomas Chamberlain* (*Black Bk. of Southampton*, ii. 123, 133).

² There is evidence of his having been "purveyor of workmen", *temp.* Henry V; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1444), 331-2; (1445), 364.

³ Through his mother he held Sarson, Normanscourt, and S. Tidworth, all in Hants. In Southampton he owned the New Inn, later called The Crown, in Above Bar St.; and also for some years held the manor of Stanshaw in Portsea, Hants; *Black Bk. of Southampton*, i. 58n.; ii. 163n.

⁴ *Inq. p.m.*, 23 Hen. VI, No. 43; no lands in Hants; also *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1433), 288.

⁵ York Wills, 5. 376. ⁶ *Test. Ebor.* iv. 200-2; iii. 355.

⁷ *ibid.* iii. 268. ⁸ *Cal. Inq. Henry VII*, i. 117.

⁹ To be bur. in Holy Trinity, Kirkham; for mortuary, his best house in Howson park; for Friars preachers, Scarborough, 40s. Most of his lands to his bro., Thomas Chamberlain. Lands in Settrington to Ralph Bigod, knt.; residue to w. Jane and she exix. Assistant exors. — William Halomshire, sheriff of Bougethorp, William Doune, chaplain, William Bulmer of Langton. Supervisor — William Purle, prior of Kirkham (*Test. Ebor.* iv. 200).

S. and h. of John Chancellor of Keynsham (*d.* 1489), by Edith ; *m.* three times. When this John of Keynsham died he bequeathed the residue to his wife Edith and his son, Thomas Chancellor of Bath, and made them his exors.¹

Thomas was an alderman of Bath by May 1488, and frequently a witness to Bath deeds ;¹ was named as overseer of the will of William Stanborough (*q.v.*) in 1494 ;² and *d.* 1497/8. Will of Thomas Chancellor, citizen of Bath, dat. 15 Jan. 1497, pr. 9 Mar. 1498.² He is not the man of the same name who accounted for works at Windsor 1477-83.

CHANDLER (CHAUNDELER), RALPH. M.P. Grimsby 1453-4.
Undiscovered, but obviously a tallow-chandler of the town.

CHAPMAN, JOHN (1420-61) ; of Wimborne-Minster, Dorset ; King's Servant. M.P. Huntingdon boro' 1449-50. Lancastrian.

He is probably the John Chapman, yeoman of the chamber, to whom was granted in Feb. 1460 the office of keeper of the the pleasance of East Greenwich ; who fought at Towton and was attainted as " John Chapman of Wimborne-Minster, Dorset, yeoman."³ Sixteen years later Edward IV had a John Chapman, yeoman of his Crown, possibly a son.⁴

CHAPMAN, ROBERT (1445-1505/9) ; of Hull, shipowner. M.P. Hull 1485-6, 1487, 1489-90, 1495.

Perhaps s. of Robert Chapman, merchant of York, 1437-42.

Sheriff of Hull 1478-9 ; he owed Robert Alcock of Hull £20 in 1484 ;⁵ had licence to freight a ship of 200 tuns burden with goods, not pertaining to the staple of Calais, and send her to Denmark, Norway, Sweden and Iceland, and to import thence.⁶ Mayor of Hull 1486 (?), 1492 ; on gaol delivery, Hull, 1491 ; one of the staplers pardoned on payment 1505 ; and died before the Pardon Roll of 1509.⁷

CHARLTON, Sir THOMAS (1415-65) ; of Edmonton. M.P. MIDDLESEX 1442, 1447, 1453-4 (SPEAKER), (1455 ?), 1459, 1460-1. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir Thomas Charlton, M.P. 1414-1431 (*d.* 1442/6),⁸ by Elizabeth da. and coh. of Sir Adam Fraunceys of Edmonton ; *m.* Bennet da. of Sir Richard Vernon of Haddon, the Speaker (1390-1452), and sister of Fulk and Sir William (*qq.v.*) ; she pre-deceased him.

¹ *Bath Ancient Deeds*, pp. 67, 69, 106, 126.

² Souls of former wives, Jane and Margaret, to be prayed for ; also father and mother, John and Edith ; mentions his bro. Mr. Richard Chancellor, vicar of Burford ; his da. Jane, wife of William Champneys ; his wife Isabel ; his s. Robert ; his das. Isabel Shorte and Margery ; and his sons William and John. ³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 477-81.

⁴ A John Chapman the younger of St. Neots was pardoned outlawry in 1469. St. Neots is near Huntingdon, and Huntingdon generally returned local men. So the above identification is by no means sure. At least he is not the London brewer of 1443, nor an occasional John Chapman of Norfolk. ⁵ *Test. Ebor.* iii. 296. ⁶ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 287.

⁷ This pardon roll includes everybody of an official position and many others. If this M.P. had been alive he would surely have been mentioned. The will of a Joan Chapman (dat. 5 Feb. 1500) makes a bequest to Holy Trinity Church, Hull (Jordan, *Holy Trinity Church, Hull*, p. 12).

⁸ He headed the list of Mdsx. electors in 1442, and his widow was pardoned 1466.

Sir Thomas, junior, inherited Edmonton from his aunt Agnes, wife of Sir William Porter. He avoided strong party allegiances, and was elected Speaker in a Parlt. mildly Lancastrian after the previous Speaker Thorpe had been sent to the Fleet by the Duke of York shortly before the opening of the second session. The Commons had asked for Thorpe's release, the Lords refused, and the Commons elected Charlton. Whethamstede, in his Register of the Abbey of St. Albans, describes Sir Thomas as being "*cautus igitur, callidus et subtilis*" and disliked him cordially as an old and constant enemy of his house. He alleges that Charlton got himself elected Speaker in order to obtain the passage of a private Act giving him the manor of Burstone, Herts., the property of the Abbot, but says that he was successfully resisted; and though he seized it by force in 1455, the Abbot brought a suit of Novel Disseisin, and Charlton was beaten in the end.¹

He served on a good many comns. from 1449 to 1464, including the Lancastrian comn. of array Dec. 1459. J.P. Mdsx. 30 June 1449 till death; elector, Mdsx. 1449 (1), 1450 (heading the list); kntd. between 8 Oct. 1450 and 16 Feb. 1452; elected Speaker 16 Feb. 1454;² sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1455-6; pardoned, Jan. 1458.³ He was taken prisoner along with Lord Bonville and Sir Thomas Kyriell at St. Albans by Queen Margaret, but though they were beheaded, he managed to escape with his life, and soon to procure pardon (with other Lancastrian officials) from the Yorkists also.⁴

D. 26 Feb. 1465; s. and h., Richard, aged 15;⁵ lands—Beds., Cambs., Essex, London, Mdsx., Surrey. Will, dat. 26 Feb., pr. 22 Mar. 1465.⁶

CHATTERLEY (CHATERLEY), RICHARD (1410-60); of Derby, lawyer. M.P. Derby boro' 1449-50.

Thomas Chatterley, M.P. (1415-75), was his partner in the representation of Derby in 1449, and John Chatterley was one of their electors. Richard was on a comn. in Yorks. 1439, and in Derbys. 1444 and 1450; justice of gaol delivery in Nottingham 1445 and 1447. He is referred to as a justice of Assize in N'hants., *temp.* Henry VI. Evidently a lawyer.

CHATTERLEY (CHATERLEY), THOMAS (1415-75); of Derby, Yeoman of the Crown 1447-50. M.P. Derby boro' 1447, 1449 (1), 1449-50.

In Apr. 1447, after the rising of Parlt., the King's serjeant, Thomas Chatterley, yeoman of the Crown, had a grant of 6*d.* a day for his fee from the fee-farm of the town of Derby—exempted from resumption 1449-50; but no such exemption

¹ Whethamstede's *Register*, i. 136, 202.

² After the rising of the Parlt. of 1453-4, unlike most Speakers, apparently he did not receive any grants.

³ Pardon Roll, 23 Jan. 1458, as of Ikenham, knt., *alias* of Edmonton (m.31).

⁴ 16 Feb. 1462, as of Ikenham, knt., *alias* late of Edmonton, *alias* late sheriff of Beds. and Bucks. (m.37).

⁵ His s. and h. Richard Charlton, less lucky, was slain at Bosworth Field and afterwards attainted. Edmonton passed to the Crown, though John Charlton, eldest s. of Richard, obtained a reversal of the attainder in 1504.

⁶ To be bur. in the chancel of the church of Edmonton. Bequests to das. Agnes and Marie, and to Henry Frowyk, his cousin:—Exors., William Manser, gent., Thomas Swan, gent., Nicholas Molle, gent., and William Rolfe (P.C.C., 8 Godyn).

occurs in subsequent Acts. He was an elector for the county and the boro' in 1449 (2) when elected, and a juror in Derby in 1467; but the family must have come originally from Chatterley in Stoke-on-Trent. In 1475/80 Thomas Chatterley had sued Henry Bryckyls upon two bills which "were satisfied 12 years ago."¹

CHAUNCELER see CHANCELLOR.

CHAUNCY, JOHN (1452²–1515); of Quendon, Essex. Servant to Bishop of London, lawyer. M.P. Maldon 1491–2.

Perhaps s. of John Chauncy of Gedelston, Herts. (*d.* 1479), by Anne da. of John Leventhorpe; *m.* Alice, surviving as his widow 1519.³

An attorney in N'hants. and Herts. suits on the 1480 Plea Roll; in May 1486 he leased the manor of Quendon, Essex,⁴ from the Crown for seven years at £13 a year. On 8 Oct. 1491 he was returned for Maldon and at the same time admtd. freeman of the boro', no doubt for that purpose.⁵ Maldon was originally a boro' pertaining to the Bp. of London; and when Thomas Kemp, bp. of London, died in 1491, the *Inq. p.m.* shows John Chauncy one of the feoffees to uses of his will.⁶ He was a feoffee of land near North Weald, Essex, for the use of Merton college, Oxon., in 1493; and was called servant of the bp. of London in 1514.⁷

CHAUNDRE, RICHARD; a squire of the Bishop of Winchester. M.P. Hindon 1459.

In 1458 he was apptd. controller of the subsidy of tonage and poundage in the port of London; a feoffee, with Bp. Waynflete of Winchester, of land in Lincs.; and dead in 1467. Obviously a carpet-bagger; and he sat for Hindon through the influence of Waynflete who, as Bp. of Winchester, controlled Hindon.⁸

CHAUNTERELL, WALTER (1410–60); of Gloucester, brewer. M.P. Gloucester boro' 1447.

Bailiff of Gloucester 1441, 1445. He was owed 7 marks in Glos. in 1449; and he was one of twelve Gloucester boro' electors in 1453. In 1455 he held two tenements in the coifery and there called "bruar."⁹

CHAWORTH, Sir THOMAS (1380–1459); of Wyverton, Notts. M.P. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1406; DERBYSHIRE 1413; NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1417, 1420, 1421 (May), 1423–4, 1437, 1445–6.

S. and h. of Sir William Chaworth of same (*d.* 1398) by Alice (*d.* 1400), da. and h. of Sir John Caltoft; *m.* (1) Nicola da. and h. of Sir Reynold Braybroke, by whom he had a da. Elizabeth who *m.* John, lord Scrope of Masham (*d.* 1455); and (2) Isabel da. and coh. of Sir Thomas Aylesbury of Blatherwick, N'hants.,¹⁰ by

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 64/550.

² 27 years old in 1479.

³ *Misc. Gen. & Her.* 2nd s. i. 21.

⁴ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 438.

⁵ Maldon Court Books, 1/2.

⁶ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 380.

⁷ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 1518.

⁸ John Chaunter was a tenant in the bishop in the neighbouring manor of Downton 1442, and took over more land there in 1450 (Pipe Roll of Bp. of Winchester).

⁹ *Gloucester Rental* (1455), 30.

¹⁰ *Visitn. Notts.* pp. 124–6.

whom he had his s. and h. William, also Thomas, George (*d.* 1466), John of Kirklington, Robert, Lawrence, and Elizabeth.¹

Already a knt. when he mainperned Robert Gousill, 28 Sept. 1401; sheriff, Notts. and Derbys., 1403-4; of Lincs. 1408-9; J.P., Notts., 16 May 1401 to 28 Nov. 1417; sheriff again 1417-8; of Lincs. 1418-9; J.P., Notts., 14 July 1419 to 20 July 1424; sheriff again 1423-4; J.P., 16 July 1429 till death.² In 1406 he hunted in Sir John Darcy's park and carried off his deer; on Notts. comms. from 1401. Sir Walter Tailboys went with 160 armed horsemen to Lincoln to slay Sir Thomas, who had gone there "altogether ignorant of his malice" and "for his own amusement" 1411. But in Jan. 1414 Grey of Codnor was ordered to arrest him; and Chaworth was lodged in the Tower within a month, "without irons or other duress"; in May he was brought before the King. He was given seisin of Wadsworth, Yorks., in 1415, so that by then he was free once more. On the death of Archbp. Bowett he was made guardian of the temporalities of York 1423. Sworn to the peace in Notts. 1434; J.P., Derbys., 8 July 1444 to 14 Nov. 1458; licence to enclose 200 acres at Wyverton, Notts., 22 Mar. 1446. His bro.-in-law Sir Humphrey Stafford of Grafton, who had married the other Blatherwick heiress, was slain at Sevenoaks, June 1450, and in the final division of the estates the Staffords got Blatherwick. Chaworth endowed the priory of Launde to pray for the King and Queen, for himself and for Isabel his wife, Nov. 1452.

Chaworth owned and worked coal mines in Derbyshire, for, on 12 Feb. 1418, John Hykkelyng granted all his coal mines to him in exchange for pasturage at "Diconfeld."³

D. 10 Feb. 1459, when William Chaworth, esq., aged 28, was his s. and h. His wife Isabel survived him.⁴ Will dat. 16 Jan. 1459.⁵ From his books one might judge him to be a lawyer; but books and mines together mean rather a special intelligence.

CHAWRY, RICHARD (1445-1509); ald. of London, salter. M.P. London 1497.

S. of William Chawry of Westerham, Kent; *m.* 1480 Julia widow of William Shosmyth, skinner (*d.* 1480).⁶

London elector 1478, but not in 1472, whence we may perhaps deduce that he did not settle in London much before his marriage. Auditor 1477-9, 1485-8; sheriff, 20 Oct. 1481 to Sept. 1482;⁷ alderman from 23 Oct. 1481; mayor of London 1494-5.⁸ In 1496 the Common Council appointed him to wait upon the

¹ *Surtees Soc.* xlv. 212.

² It will be observed that he was left off the comn. of the Peace whenever he happened to be sheriff for the county.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 170.

⁴ *Inq. p.m.* 37 Hen. VI. No. 25. Lands in Bucks., Oxon., Wilts., Herts., N'hants., Leics., Warws., Lincs., Notts., Derbys.

⁵ To be bur. in Launde Priory; to his s. William the "Policronicon" in English, religious books and a book of "Notes of Fynes"; to Robert Clifton, knt., "a newe boke of Inglisshe ye which begynneth with ye life of seynt Alban"; to Richard Willoughby an English book called "Grace de Dieu"; to Richard Bingham an English book "Orilogium Sapiencie"; and to Mr. William Gull, D.D., a latin "Policronicon" (*Surtees Soc.* xxx. 220).

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 66/395.

⁷ *Letter Book K.* 186.

⁸ Beaven, *Aldermen*, ii. 16.

King and his Council.¹ Comnr. of sewers 1499;² comnr. for the "aid" 1504;³ ald. of the Hanse merchants 1508;⁴ pardoned 1509.⁵

D. Oct./Nov. 1509. Will as citizen, salter, alderman and late mayor, dat. 18 Oct., pr. 27 Nov. 1509.⁶

CHEKE (CHYKE), WILLIAM (1420-80); of Wareham, esq. M.P. Wareham 1460-1.

Perhaps son of William Cheke, master mariner, perhaps descended from William Chike, M.P. Wareham 1363-73.

Pledge for the Wareham M.P.s 1449 (1); pardoned 7 July 1452, "William Chyke of Wareham, esq." (m.27); a Dorset elector 1467; pardoned, 1471/2, "William Chyke of Waram, gent., *alias* William Cheke, late of Kingrygge (Kimmeridge in Purbeck), Dorset. In 1469 one William Cheke, merchant, voyaging from Danzig, had landed at Sandwich (? Swanage). This too may be the man.

CHENEW, JOHN (1410-62); of Romney, gent. M.P. Romney 1439-40, 1447, 1450-1, 1453-4, 1460-1.

Presumably father of John Chenew, M.P. Romney (1445-1500), but it is impossible to say surely when John the first ends and John the second begins. A John Chenew appears as bailiff in 1461, 1469, 1470 and 1477, the last three probably the son.⁷

A party, including John Chenew, were paid by the Romney corpn. for riding to Canterbury to talk to the steward of the archbishop about the office of bailiff of Romney 1441. John Chenowe was on a piracy comm. at Winchelsea 1451. *6d.* was spent on wine at Romney when John Chenew received his money for going to Yarmouth in 1452. He was pardoned, as of Romney, gent., 12 Oct. 1458; riding to Dover, Canterbury, etc., 1456, 1457. About 1460 he succeeded Richard Clitherow in a house and garden near the Common House, Romney. He ceases to appear on the list of inhabitants and jurats after 1462.⁷

CHENEW, JOHN (1445-1500); of Romney, Kent. M.P. Romney 1467-8, 1469,⁸ 1478, 1484, 1485-6, 1491-2.

Perhaps s. of John Chenew of Romney, M.P. (1410-62).

¹ Jor. 10. fo. 79d. ² Repertory i. fo. 49.

³ Jor. 10. fo. 370. ⁴ Repertory ii. fo. 19d.

⁵ Cit. ald. of London, merchant of Calais, exōr. of will of William Salford, mercer of London (3 m.32).

⁶ To be bur. All Hallows, Bread Street. Bequests to Dame Margaret his da., prioress of Cheston. Bequests to da. Jane and da. Margaret Ravenyn. His s. "Sir Perys" to have all his lands in Mdsx., except those assigned to Geoffrey Ravening and Margaret, and an acre to be divided between Margaret Ravening, John Brix, Katherine Wiseman and Margaret Dunsted. Bequests to his brother's das. living at Westerham, Kent. Bequests to Elizabeth and Richard children of Geoffrey Ravening. Exor. :-his cousin William Potkyn. A *dirige* and *placebo* at Drayton (P.C.C., 22 Bennett).

⁷ Information from *Romney Records* supplied by Miss Roper.

⁸ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* (Romney MSS.), v. 545. In 1469 Warwick took Edward IV prisoner.

Admtd. to the franchise of Romney and sworn, 17 Apr. 1466;¹ 34s. 10d. was paid to him and one Thomas Couper, employed in the "voyage" of the Earl of Warwick, 9/10 Edward IV;² 8d. paid to him for trouble and expenses in riding to the Lord Cardinal Archbp. of Canterbury, 16/17 Edw. IV;³ paid also for riding to the Coronation of Richard III.⁴ Mayor of Romney 1484-5.⁵

CHERTSEY (CHARTSEY), EDMOND (1415-74); of Rochester, gent. M.P. Rochester 1460-1.

Perhaps g.s. of Thomas Chertsey, M.P. Rochester 1406; *m.* (1) Edith, and (2) Eleanor da. and h. of Thomas s. and h. of Piers Culpeper,⁶ who survived him.

A comnr. in Kent 1441; Kent and Rochester elector 1442; pardoned, 26 June 1446, as of Rochester, gent.; and again in 1450 in connection with the Cade rising. He and his son-in-law John Bamme and Hugh Wyche (*qq.v.*) were concerned in settlements of London lands on Arthur Ormesby (*q.v.*) 1454-5.⁷ Mayor of Rochester on 16 Jan. 1469;⁸ J.P. Kent, 27 June 1471 till death.

D. 1474. Will, dat. 25 Mar., pr. 8 June 1474.⁹

CHESELDEN, JOHN (1427¹⁰-80); of Uppingham and of Allextun, Leics., steward of Rutland forest, lawyer. M.P. RUTLAND 1453-4, 1467-8.

S. and h. of John Cheselden and g.s. of Robert Cheselden, M.P. N'hants. 1395-9; *m.* Elizabeth da. and h. of — Searle, by whom he had issue.¹¹

In Mar. 1445 Ralph, lord Cromwell, obtained custody of the lands late of Anne Cheselden, deceased, and the marriage of John s. of her s. John Cheselden.¹² A Cheselden was admitted to Lincoln's Inn in 1451, and is probably the young Rutland M.P. In 1450/3 John Astelby, yeoman of Uppingham, sued John Cheselden esq., late of Uppingham, and William Cheselden, gent., late of Allextun, and ōrs., for a murderous assault at Belton, Rutland; he petitions for a writ to the sheriff of Rutland to arrest defendants who have withdrawn to desolate places.¹³ Then Cheselden was returned knt. of the shire for Rutland! As John Cheselden "of Belton" he was pardoned for not appearing to answer Everard Digby (*q.v.*)

¹ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* (Romney MSS.), v. 544. He is stated to have been born at Romney, and to have been free from birth. But he was condemned in 1465 because that he publicly and before all the jurats and commonalty refused the freedom of Romney.

² *ibid.* 545. ³ *ibid.* 545. ⁴ *ibid.* 547.

⁵ *Arch. Cant.* xxvii, 49.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 70/155.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. 6-7.

⁸ *Year Book 10 Edw. IV* (Selden Soc.), 93.

⁹ To be bur. in Rochester cathedral beside Edith his late wife, and to have a marble stone "with a remembrance of Imagery thereon of me and said Edith and also of Elyane my wife and of all my children." Bequests to Sheephall church, Herts. To da. Elizabeth Bamme 5 marks and his book of the Pater Noster. To Edmund Bamme my g. son £20 and all books of grammar. To da. Maryon Massy £26 8s. 0d. and to Richard Massy, goldsmith (of London, her husband) 20 marks, if he can satisfy my wife Elyane and my son William and son-in-law John Bamme that he will provide for his wife Maryon. £20 for marriage of da. Elizabeth. £10 to son Andrew. Residue to wife Elianor. Exors. :—his wife, son William, and son-in-law John Bamme (P.C.C., 15 Wattys).

¹⁰ He was of age, 11 July 1448, when John s. and h. of John Cheselden of Allextun had licence to vest in trustees the stewardship of Rutland Forest.

¹¹ Wright, *Hist. of Rutland*, 24.

¹² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1445), 367.

¹³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 19/473.

7 Nov. 1457; pardoned again 20 Apr. 1458, as late of Uppingham, esq.; elector, Rutland, 1459, 1478, but on no comms. nor ever J.P. His son, another John, *m.* in 1466.¹ After he had again sat in Parlt. he was pardoned again 4 Nov. 1468—of Uppingham, Chepstow, Braunston and Allextun.

In 1470 John senior, of Allextun, John junior, of Uppingham, gent., and William Cheselden of Allextun, gent., were bound in 100 marks to John Roberts of Leicester.² He was probably dead by 1485.²

CHESEMAN *alias* BAKER see BAKER, JOHN.

CHESTER *alias* WRIXWORTH, JOHN; goldsmith and herald. M.P. Rochester 1449–50.

About 1424 one Gromet sued John Chester and William Markeby of London, goldsmiths, for a debt secured on lands at Iver, Bucks.³ The “goldsmith” seems to have become a King of Arms by 1460, if not by 1453. On 7 Dec. 1460, grant to Garter King, to Lancaster Herold, and to John Wrixworth, Guyenne King of Arms, of £243 due to them for seven years past.⁴ This identification is very doubtful, but not impossible. The name is not known around Rochester.

CHETWYND, WILLIAM (1450–94), of Ingestre, Staffs. Usher of the Chamber. M.P. Stafford boro’ 1491–2.

S. of Thomas Chetwynd of Alspath, Warw. (dead in 1455), by Ellen —, and g.s. of John Chetwynd, M.P. Warwickshire 1421 and 1437. He succeeded his cousin at Ingestre *c.* 1474, and *m.* in or before 1478 Alice da. of Hugh Egerton of Wrimehill, Staffs. She survived him and was still vainly suing for justice in 1534.

After Bosworth, at which he may have fought, Chetwynd was made parker of the Stafford parks during the Duke of Buckingham’s minority.⁵ He seems to have been also an usher of the Chamber, but never J.P. or sheriff. He was murdered by 20 men on Tixall heath, 20 June 1494, Sir Humphrey Stanley of Pipe,⁶ the sheriff, sitting by on his horse to see it done.⁷ His son William was present, was spared being a boy, succeeded to Ingestre, and later became M.P.; from him descend the present Earls of Shrewsbury and Viscounts Chetwynd.

CHEVALL (CHYVALL), JOHN (1405–61); of Bodicote; of the Household 1445–60. M.P. HERTFORDSHIRE 1449 (1). Lancastrian.

Probably s. and h. of Robert Chivall.

J.P. Herts., 28 Mar. 1437 till death. He was usher of the Chamber at the Coronation of Queen Margaret in 1445,⁸ and had a grant of £100, in lieu of a tally

¹ John Cheselden, senior, vests Braunston, Rutland, in feoffees (including Robert Cheselden), and the feoffees settle the same on John Cheselden, junior, and Elizabeth his wife, witnesses:—John Boyville of Stoke-Faston and Thomas Flore of Oakham, esqs. (*Visitn. Rutland*, 1619, 21). ² *Visitn. Rutland*, 1619, 21. ³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 4/20.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1460), 637.

⁵ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 66.

⁶ His colleague sitting for the County in 1491–2. It has been supposed that he held Chetwynd responsible for the treason charges brought against Sir William Stanley and Sir Simon Montfort (*q.v.*). ⁷ *Staffs. Colls.* 1917, p. 278–9. ⁸ *Enr. Accts.* 361/6.

on the London customs, for goods supplied to the Household, Oct. 1447. Elector, Herts., 1447. In 1451 the Provost of St. Mary, Eton, was granted a pension of £20 a year during Chevall's lifetime—Chevall being in possession of such pension for life with reversion to the said provost. In 1454 he was suing John Hayle, butcher of Stony Stratford, for one-third of the price of timber cut down from Queen's close in Yardley-Gobion. On comns. of array in 1457 and apparently during most of his life an esquire of the household of the abbot of St. Albans.¹

He vanishes from all comns. after 1460, and presumably died as a Lancastrian during the troubles; but he was never attainted, and his g.s. Edmund was buried at Bodicote in 1539. Will in P.C.C. (3 Alenger).

CHEVERELL (alias SACHEVERELL), WALTER (1415–81); of Chantmarle and Upper Stirthill, Dorset, lawyer. M.P. Weymouth 1442.

S. and h. of William Cheverell of Upper Stirthill in Burton Bradstock, by Jane, da. and coh. of John Chantmarle of East Stoke and Chantmarle; *m.* in or before Apr. 1440 (when Russell settled on them a house in Dorchester), Christine, da. of Henry Russell, his colleague in 1442.² Christine *d.* 20 Oct. 1499, when Roger, aged 25, son of John, son of Walter was her heir.

Feoffee for John St. Loo (*q.v.*) in Dorset, 1449; J.P., Dorset, and of the quorum, 7 Dec. 1470 to 1471, and 30 May 1473 till death; on comns., Dorset, 2 Oct. 1470, and Lancs., 1473, 1475; pardoned, Jan. 1472;³ and his son John was pardoned 1473.⁴

D. 4 Nov. 1481, when John, aged 40, was his s. and h.; lands—"Upsterhill," Dorset. He sat for Weymouth through the Russell influence.

CHEYNE, Sir JOHN (1390–1450); of Drayton Beauchamp. M.P. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 1421, 1425, 1426, 1429 (unseated), 1432, 1435, 1445–6.

He was pardoned Nov. 1414, as John Cheyne, esq., s. and h. of Roger Cheyne of Drayton Beauchamp, Bucks.⁵ As King's squire and servitor, he was granted the custody of the lands in Cheshire and the h. of John Browning, decd., Mar. 1416. Knighted 1419/20, for in Oct. 1420, Sir John Cheyne of Bucks. was a mainpernor. J.P. Bucks., 12 Feb. 1422 to 20 July 1424. As "of Bucks., King's knight", he stood security for another King's knight, Sir Edward Stradling, in Dec. 1423; sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1423–4; eschr. 1424–5; elector, Bucks., 1419 (esq.), 1427, 1433, 1437. The sort of man he was may be seen from the plaint of the men of Herts. and Bucks., made to the Privy Council in July 1430—Sir John Cheyne of Drayton and Thomas Cheyne of Chesham, "some they have with strong hand driven from their own lands, some they have beaten, imprisoned and tortured in prison till they make fine at the will of their oppressors houses broken in and if they offered to complain, threatened"—

¹ *Annales Monastici*. Series i. 444; *Gesta Abb.* iii. 339.

² *Two centuries of Family History*, G. Scott Thompson.

³ As Walter Cheverell of Chauntemarle, Dorset, esq., *alias* of Stoke, Dorset, gent., *alias* late of Frome.

⁴ Of Chauntemarle, Dorset, esq., *alias* of Combe, *alias* of Upstirhill, Dorset, *alias* Sacheverell (m.13).

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1414), 244.

obviously Aryans. His arrest was ordered in June 1431, and his manors of Grove and Drayton and all the books, rolls, bills and suspicious memoranda therein were to be seized; but in May 1434 he was sworn to the peace, as was also a John Cheyne, esq., the first squire on the list. He was pardoned in July 1437 as one of the feoffees of Little Missenden, and in 1446 as "of Drayton Beauchamp, Bucks., knt." (m.46). It would seem to be this Sir John Cheyne who was arrested at Bury with the Duke of Gloucester in Feb. 1447. He was not, however, among those servants of the Duke who were half hanged. He must not be confounded with John Cheyne of Isnamstede (Chenies), Bucks., nor with Sir John Cheyne of Gloucestershire.

CHEYNE, Sir JOHN (1410-67); of Eastchurch in Sheppey. Victualler of Calais 1452-9. M.P. KENT 1449 (1). Lancastrian.

S. and h. of William Cheyne (*d.* 1441) by Margaret da. and h. of Sir Robert de Shurland;¹ *m.*, *c.* 1439, Eleanor da. of Sir Robert Shottesbroke (*q.v.*) of Faringdon, Berks.,² and he left nine sons, of whom the third, Sir John Cheyne (*q.v.*), K.G., was summoned to Parlt. as Lord Cheyne in 1487.

King's Serjeant-at-Arms by Apr. 1445; kntd. 1445/7; J.P. Kent, 28 Dec. 1447 to 17 Nov. 1460; on Kentish comms. 1449 to 1452; sheriff of Kent 1454-5. Cheyne had licence to ship 28 sacks of Kentish wool from Queenborough to London 1448. Pardoned for being out with Cade; made Victualler of Calais, 13 Feb. 1452, for which office he accounted till 1459. With Gervase Clifton (*q.v.*) he accounted also for the expenditure on works at Calais 1453-7. Pardoned 1452, 1455, 1458, and again with other Lancastrian officials in Feb. 1462, when to the usual style "of Eastchurch" is added "of Wodehay, Berks." (m.36).

D. 20 June 1467, when William, aged 27, was his s. and h.; lands—Kent.

CHEYNE, (Sir) JOHN (1423-90); of Fen-Ditton, lawyer. M.P. CAMBRIDGESHIRE 1449-50.

S. and h. of Laurence Cheyne of the same, M.P. (1393-1461), by Elizabeth (Cokayne); *m.* by 1449⁴ Elizabeth da. and coh. of Sir Thomas Rempston.

He was a King's Serjeant in 1445, and, as John Cheyne junior, was admitted to Lincoln's Inn in 1446. Eschr., Cambs. and Hunts., 1446-7; elector, Cambs., 1450, 1467, 1472, 1478.⁵ After his father's death he was made J.P. Cambs., 4 July 1461; pardoned with the other ex-Lancastrians, 5 May 1462,⁶ and again 7 Feb. 1463, together with "Elizabeth his wife a da. and coh. of Thomas Rempstone knt." (m.10). Kntd. 1472/4, for he was pardoned 28 Jan. 1475, as "of Fen-Ditton, knt., exor. of Laurence Cheyne, decd., *alias* exor. of Edmund Ingoldsthorpe, kinsman and h. of Thomas de Bradeston, knt., decd." (m.2). He was removed

¹ *Arch. Cant.* xxii. 161.

² *Arch. Cant.* xxviii. 200-6.

³ 38 years of age at his father's death.

⁴ In 1449 when Laurence and Elizabeth Cheyne settled manors in Hunts. and N'hants. on John and Elizabeth his wife, da. and h. of Sir Thomas Rempston (*Visitn. Cambs.* p. 119).

⁵ He heads the list of electors in 1467, 1472, 1478.

⁶ As of Fen-Ditton, Cambs., esq., *alias* gent. (m.30).

from the bench by Richard III, but was pardoned 9 Oct. 1484.¹ He was not restored by Henry VII; but when Humphrey Stafford of Grafton and Blatherwick was attainted and hanged in 1487, Cheyne felt that he should sue for Blatherwick, N'hants., as g.s. of Sir William Cheyne and Catherine heiress of Blatherwick.² The widow of Humphrey Stafford was allowed to keep her inheritance of Blatherwick, and Sir John Cheyne must have died soon afterwards.

CHEYNE, Sir JOHN, K.G. (Lord Cheyne 1487) (1445-99); of Falstone-Cheyne, Wilts., and of Compton and Enborne, Berks. Squire of the Body 1471-83, Master of the Horse 1479-83, Knt. of the Body 1485-99, P.C. 1497-9. M.P. WILTSHIRE 1478, (1483 (Jan.), 1485-6); Sumnd. 1487, 1489-90, 1491-2, 1495, 1497.

Born at Shurland in Eastchurch; 3rd s. of Sir John Cheyne of Eastchurch, Kent, M.P. (1410-67), by Eleanor (Shottesbroke);³ *m.* 1479/80 (? if not 2ndly) Margaret (*b. c.* 1439) widow of William, lord Stourton (*d.* 1479), 2nd da. and coh. of Sir John Chidiok.⁴

A feoffee in Kent with his father 1465. As squire of the Body he is to "govern" an armed force which the King is sending to sea, Jan. 1472.⁵ J.P. Wilts., from Apr. 1473, and for Dorset after the marriage with the Lady Stourton. Falstone, Wilts., forfeited by Sir Robert Beynton's attainder, was granted to him, 12 June 1475. He went on the King's expedition to France with 7 men-at-arms and 18 archers.⁶ Lord Howard and Cheyne were left behind in France as hostages with Louis XI, and Howard obtained, while Cheyne was promised, a pension from the French King.⁷ He was Squire of the Body and Master of the Henxmen with £20 a year by Apr. 1478;⁸ Master of the Horse also by 1479;⁸ exor. of Richard Beauchamp, bp. of Salisbury, 1482. He did not accord with Richard III, was removed from the bench in Wilts. and Dorset, took a leading part in the rising in Wilts. and Kent, and escaped, with his brothers Robert and Humphrey, to Henry Tudor in Brittany.⁹ Attainted 1484.¹⁰

Cheyne returned with Henry Tudor, was knighted at the landing at Milford Haven; fought at Bosworth. Falstone was restored to him and exempted from resumption.¹¹ He was restored to the bench; Knt. of the Body, K.G., constable of Christchurch and Southampton, keeper of the New Forest, steward of Cranbourne, Canford and Poole; admitted to the freedom of Romney 31 May 1487.¹² Summoned to Parlt. 22 Sept. 1487—though he continues to be called "Sir John"

¹ As "J.P. Cambs. in time of Edward IV and of Edward the bastard, lately called Edward V, *alias* of Fenditton, knt., late sheriff of Cambs. and Hunts., *alias* of Deuney, Cambs." (m.11). ² *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. p. 90.

³ *Comp. Peer.* iii. 191, but see *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1474), 449.

⁴ *Comp. Peer.* iii. 191; v. 462.

⁵ On 4 July 1474 he was granted, for long attendance on the King's person as Squire of the Body, the £50 which Elizabeth widow of Sir John, and John, William, Robert, Roger, Alexander and Humphrey Cheyne had paid for a licence to found a chantry at Faringdon, Berks. (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1474), 449). So he had been Squire of the Body perhaps in 1470/1.

⁶ *Foedera*, V. iii. 56.

⁷ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. pp. 142, 146.

⁸ *Wardrobe Accts. of Edw. IV*, pp. 153, 167; Issue Rolls, Edw. IV, Nos. 846, 848.

⁹ *Polidore Virgil*, p. 200.

¹⁰ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 246.

¹¹ *ibid.* vi. 349.

¹² Romney Assesst. Books, iii. f.203.

and "Knt. of the Body." He was made constable of Barnard castle 1488, and pardoned all arrears as Master of the Horse to Edward IV, 1491. Feoffee for the King's will 1491;¹ keeper of Blakedon park, Dorset, 1495; one of the King's Counsel, Apr. 1497.² J.P., Yorks., Beds., Cumbd., and Northumberland; in arms in the west against Warbeck, Sept. 1497.³

D. without issue, 30 May 1499⁴ and his wife predeceased him. His heir was his brother William, or that brother's son Francis. The exors. of his will were:—Sir Reynold Bray, Sir William Sandys, Richard Empson and Francis Cheyne.⁵

CHEYNE, LAWRENCE (1393-1461); of Fen Ditton, esq.⁶ M.P. CAMBRIDGESHIRE 1431, 1432, 1435, 1442.

Yr. s. of Sir William Cheyne of the same by Catherine, da. and h. of Sir Lawrence Pabenham, and yr. bro. and h. of John Cheyne;⁷ *m.* (1) Elizabeth da. of John Cokayne of Bury Hatley, Beds., and widow of Sir Philip Butler (*d.* 1421), and had by her Sir John Cheyne, M.P. (1423-90), and Elizabeth wife of Sir John Say, the Speaker.

Eschr. of Beds. and Bucks., 1423-4; sheriff of Cambs. and Hunts., 10 Feb. to Nov. 1430, and 1435-6; sworn to the peace in Cambs., 1434; J.P. Cambs., 10 Mar. 1437 till death; J.P. of Cambridge Town also; on all the Cambs. comns. from 1436 to the Lancastrian comn. of array, 21 Dec. 1459. He owned house property in Cambridge; was exempted from all offices in 1440; exempted again in 1447; pardoned 1448; elector of Cambs. 1426, 1433, 1447, 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1450 and 1455; pardoned 1452 and 1458;⁸ exor. in 1458 of Sir Edmund Inglethorpe (*q.v.*).

D. 31 Dec. 1461. John Cheyne, esq., was his s. and h., aged 38.

CHICHELEY, HENRY; of Wimpole, Cambs. M.P. Bodmin 1478.

Either (1454-1500): S. of Henry Chicheley of London, gent. (*d.* 1490), by Alice da. of Robert Clopton, M.P., mayor of London,⁹ and gt. gt. nephew of the Archbishop. He left a son Thomas.¹⁰

Or (1425-90): S. of (?) John Chicheley (son of William, brother of the Archbishop); *m.* Alice da. of Robert Clopton, M.P. 1439, mayor of London. Eschr. Cambs., 1454-5, 1456-7; J.P. Cambs., 1459-60; elector, Cambs., 1467, 1472. Pardoned, 6 Dec. 1471, "of Wympole, late of London, late of Boxford, Suffolk, esq." Died 1490, succeeded by his son Henry Chicheley, junior.¹⁰

The Bodmin M.P. was probably the son, perhaps a young lawyer, sitting for Bodmin on the recommendation of the Prior of Bodmin.

CHICHELEY, *alias* SPICER, WILLIAM (1425-78/90); of Bedford. M.P. Bedford boro' 1447 (as Spycer), 1450-1 (as Chichele).

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 444, 510.

² In Apr. 1497, Mr. Edward Cheyne and John Cheyne, knt. of the Body, one of the King's Counsel, are to receive the oaths of fealty at Shaftesbury (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1497, 108).

³ Ellis, *Letters*, 1st Series, i. 34.

⁴ *Comp. Peer.* iii. 192; v. 462; but seems to be wrong as to his parents.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1499), 310.

⁶ Also he held in chief Eton, Beds., 1449.

⁷ *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. 90.

⁸ Described as of Fen Ditton, Cambs., in all these pardons.

⁹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 121.

¹⁰ *Cambridge Ant. Soc.* xxxiii. 26.

Probably bro. of Henry Chicheley of Wimpole, Cambs. (*q.v.*) (1425-90), and s. of John Chicheley by Margery da. of Thomas Knowles, *i.e.*, grandson of William Chicheley, mayor of London, and great nephew of the Archbp.¹

Pardoned, 13 Nov. 1446 as "William Spicer of Bedford, yeoman, *alias* William Chicheley of Bedford" (m.20). As Chicheley he was an elector, Bedford, 1449 (1), 1467—as Spycer, in 1449 (2), 1478. On 1 Aug. 1462 the King's servants, John Fortescu, esq., and William Chicheley, esq., were granted Sir Baldwin Fulford's forfeited manors of Parkham and "Cokyswall", Devon, in consideration of perils in the King's battles. Pardoned again, 1 Sept. 1469, as Spicer *alias* Chicele of Bedford, yeoman (m.3). Mayor of Bedford 1476.

Dead by 1490, when William Chicheley was a deceased feoffee of Henry Chicheley in Wimpole, Cambs.² The various descriptions as "yeoman", "King's servant" and "esquire" may be harmonised if he was a yeoman of the Crown.

CHILDE, THOMAS (1410-61); of Rosley, Gos. Yeoman of the Buckhounds. M.P. Cricklade 1447; Chippenham 1453-4.

Possibly s. of Thomas Childe, M.P. for Salisbury 1407. He witnessed a quit-claim concerning Ebrington, Gos., 1431;³ and in Dec. 1447 was granted for life the office of "Yoman Fewtrer of Oure Bukkehondys." On 28 Nov. 1460 a comn. was apptd. to inquire into felonies committed in Hampshire by Thomas Childe, "late of London, gent., *alias* of Rosley, Gos." The Pardon Roll of 1458 includes Thomas Childe "of London, grocer, and of Southampton, merchant," which may, or more probably may not, be a retired yeoman of the Buckhounds.

CHIMNEY, WILLIAM (1435-1508); ald. of York, draper.¹¹ M.P. York city 1491-2.

Perhaps s. of Richard Chimney of Allerston in Pickering, yeoman, 1458;⁴ m. (1) Christiana,⁵ (2) 10 Apr. 1488,⁶ Margaret Griffin.

Made free of York city 1455;⁵ entered *Corpus Christi* Guild 1457.⁵ Already by 1464 the City Chamberlains of York were buying cloth for their servants' liveries from Will Chynney.⁷ Sheriff 1474-5; elector 1478; alderman 10 Apr. 1484 (*vice* John Marshall) to 1503; mayor 1486;⁸ a comnr. of oyer 1487. He was inspecting the archers to attend the King at one royal visit to York,⁹ and subscribed £10 for the *douceur* to be offered when the visitor was Richard III, 1483.¹⁰ He resigned his gown, 15 Dec. 1503.⁵

D. 1508. Will, dat. 20 Sept. 1508, pr. at York 30 Jan. 1509.¹¹

¹ *Visitn. Cambs.* 33; A. B. Beaven, *Ald. of London*.

² *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.* i. 543. *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 126.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 6 Jan. 1458, "of Allerstone in Pykerynglyth, Yorks., yeoman" (m.8).

⁵ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

⁶ *Test. Ebor.* iii. 353.

⁷ 12 ells of musterdevelers—3½ ells of red cloth for jackets of six servants (Davies, York Records, pp. 13, 23). ⁸ Drake, *Eboracum*, 363.

⁹ Davies, *op cit.* 112.

¹⁰ *ibid.* 169.

¹¹ Will of William Chymney of York, draper (York Wills 8. 3); to be bur. with Christiana, his first w., in St. Sampson's (*ex inf.* W. J. Paylor).

CHIPPENHAM, THOMAS; of Hereford.

M.P. Hereford city 1495.

Perhaps son of John Chippenham, mayor of Hereford 1459-60.¹ A Hereford family;² a Thomas Chippenham was M.P. Hereford 1431.

CHIRCHYARD, RICHARD (1460-97/8); of West Thurrock, Essex.
M.P. Maldon 1497.

He had some connection with county Gloucester,³ but he *m.* Margaret widow of Edward Kelom of Shopland, Essex, and was made steward of West Thurrock, Essex, 10 Dec. 1491. J.P. Essex, 14 Dec. 1495 to 1497/8. On 16 Jan. 1497 Richard Chirchyard, gent., was made free of the borough and elected Burgess to Parlt. for Maldon.⁴ He must have died soon after for Margaret survived him as his widow and she herself was recently dead, 16 Dec. 1498, when her writ *diem clausit* was issued. To judge from his J.P.ships he was dead by 5 July 1498.

CHITECROFT, JOHN (1410-65); of Leasam by Rye, gent. M.P.
Rye 1442.

He was pardoned twice, giving full identification:—10 July 1446, John Chitecroft of Levesham next Rye, gent., late of Rye, esq., late of Southwark, gent. (m.9); 3 Nov. 1458, John Chitecroft of Levesham, Sussex, esq., *alias* late of Rye, gent., *alias* of Pevensey, *alias* late of Lamberherst, Sussex, *alias* late of Bixle (Bexhill ?), Sussex (m.2). No more, but enough.

CHITTOCK, JOHN (1410-70); of Norwich. M.P. Norwich 1439-40,
1459.

Sheriff of Norwich 1450-1; a comnr. of sewers there 1458; an elector and mayor 1467.

CHRISTIAN, ROBERT (1425-80); jurat of Hythe, merchant. M.P.
Hythe 1455-6, 1460-1, 1469.

He occurs in the Hythe Accounts as selling at different times—horses, timber, beer, hay and oats. In 1456 he claimed Parliament wages at 2s. a day for 111 days, all at Westminster.⁵ On 21 Sept. 1460 Christian and Legh were elected to the Parlt. at Westminster of 7 Oct. They set out on the 5th together; Christian returned 12 Nov. and Legh on 2 Dec. Both went again to London on 29 Jan. and returned 5 Feb.⁵ This entry from the Hythe records is the sole and sufficient authority for the second session of this Parliament, evidence that it was only dissolved automatically by the change of King on 4 Mar. 1461. Described as a jurat in 1470, he claimed wages at 3s. 4d. a day for five days going (towards) the Parliament at York, *i.e.* Nov. 1469.⁶ Bailiff of Hythe 1459-60, 1471-2.

¹ Parlt. returns 1460. ² Brit. Mus., Harl. MS. 1545.

³ A feoffee in 1494 of Chipping-Campden (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1494), 469; *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.* ii. 586).

⁴ Maldon Court Books 1/2, fol. 47.

⁵ Hythe Accounts F. (*per* Miss Scroggs).

⁶ *ibid.* G. fol. 29d.

CHRISTMAS, NICHOLAS. M.P. Heytesbury 1491-2.

This would almost seem to be a "fake" name—"Santa' Claus"; and, possibly, Heytesbury returned no real man. But a John Cristmasse held two tenements of the Bp. in Salisbury in 1455;¹ and there was a Nicholas Christmas who was sued concerning lands in Greenwich by Philip Hurell and Alice his w. in 1482.²

CHRISTMAS, THOMAS (1440-1504/9); ald. of Colchester, fuller and brewer. M.P. Colchester 1485-6, 1489-90.

A juror in Colchester 1461; pardoned, 23 Jan. 1472, as fuller, brewer, late merchant; one of the two bailiffs of Colchester 1476, 1482, 1486, 1492 (senior), 1495 (senior), 1497 (senior and junior); alderman of Colchester, called senior, in 1489.³ In 1496 he got a 20 years' lease of mills in Lexden, Essex, to make a dam; in Feb. 1504 Thomas Christmas senior was a feoffee of Downshall for Abbot John Raynsford. He was presumably dead by 1509; and it must be his s. and h. Thomas who died 1520, leaving a John s. and h. aged 30.⁴

CHYKE see CHEKE.

CHYVALL see CHEVALL.

CINTE, ROBERT; Truro 1478.

Unidentified. The name is probably incorrectly read. It might be Tinte or even Curte, but no one of such names has been traced, in the absence of local records.

CLAVELL (CLAVYLE), JOHN (1460-1515); of Stoborough in Wareham, gent. M.P. Wareham 1491-2.

Perhaps s. of William Clavell junior of Stoborough, Watercombe and Wareham, late of Dartmouth, who was pardoned 4 May 1471,⁵ or of John Clavyle, collector of subsidy in Dorset 1463.⁶ (A William Clavyle the elder was suing for land at Whitecliff, Dorset, in 1468.)

John Clavyle, gent., of the Isle of Purbeck, was one of the victims of the "hy lokys" of Harry Uvedale of Corfe (*q.v.*) in 1498.⁷ In 1504 it was stated that certain lands in Watercombe were held of John Clavell of Stoborough;⁸ and the same John, called of "Stoweborough in Purbeck, of Whyteclyff, of Watercombe and of Estynam or Sydlyng Parva, Dorset", was pardoned 1509.⁹ John Clavell, the clerk controller of the Ordnance in 1513, may possibly be the same man.

CLAVOUR, JOHN. M.P. Derby boro' 1495.

He cannot be traced, but was probably a resident in Derby, for he was on the committee to appoint collectors of the subsidy in Derby which had been voted by the Parliament of 1495—and it is to be noted that he was appointed by that Parlt. in which he sat.¹⁰

¹ *Wilts. Arch. Mag.* xxxvii. 83.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 62/210.

³ *Red Book of Colchester*, pp. 84, 144. ⁴ Will P.C.C., 28 Aylofffe; Inq. p.m. 12 Hen. VIII.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1472 (m.31).

⁶ Fine Roll, 8 Edw. IV (m.13).

⁷ Pollard, *Henry VII*, ii. 153, "high looks" i.e. arrogance. ⁸ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. 604.

⁹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 204.

¹⁰ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 517.

CLAY, (Sir) JOHN (1415-64); of Cheshunt; Servant of Duke of York 1455-60, Knight of Body 1461-4. M.P. HERTFORDSHIRE 1455-6. Yorkist.

Parentage unknown; *m.* (1) Jane (*d.* 1453) da. of Sir Thomas Astley;¹ (2) Jane who survived him.

In 1441 he bought "Darcies" or Cressbroke in Cheshunt from the coheirs of Philip, lord Darcy; this he vested in feoffees in 1446 to his use for life, reversion to his wife Jane and son John.² By May 1455 Clay was treasurer of the Duke of York's household, and after St. Albans was sent to France to treat for the marriage of Edward (IV) of York with Madeleine of France.³ He must have been elected for Herts. in his absence; and he took out a pardon while M.P. 5 Nov. 1455, as "of Cheshunt esq. *alias* of Tybauds *alias* Cresbroke, Herts." (m.21). Clay was with York at Ludford and was attainted by the Coventry Parlt. Dec. 1459,⁴ Cheshunt being granted to Elizabeth, Lady Say. Presumably he fled with York to Ireland and returned with the Yorkists in 1460. In Aug. York appointed Clay victualler of Calais in the place of Nicholas Hussey,⁵ and he accounts for the same 1460-2.⁶ He was, however, still in London hunting for lodgings for Duchess Cecily in Oct. 1460⁷—probably already her chamberlain.

Edward IV knighted Clay, put him on the Herts. bench, 7 July 1461, confirmed him as Victualler of Calais and great steward to Duchess Cecily, and despatched him with Wenlock to negotiate with Philip of Burgundy.⁸ He was still at Calais awaiting a safe conduct in Oct.⁹ He was paid as knight of the body in Apr. 1464 and was perhaps so from 1461.¹⁰ The new King also compensated Clay for his attainted property; Cheshunt remained with old Lady Say (widow of Sir John Norbury) for life and Clay got instead Ormonde's forfeited lands in Essex and Cambs.¹¹ In Oct. 1463 he went on the soothing deputation to the mayor of London with Speaker Say and the Under Treasurer,¹² which was no doubt part of his duty as chamberlain, and at this time his son John, aged 18, was being proposed as a match for John Paston's daughter. In this year he was also an apportioner of the subsidy in Herts.¹³

He died before his turn as sheriff had expired, Sept. 1464. Will, dat. 8 Sept., pr. 18 Sept. 1464.¹⁴ His profits from the Ormonde lands in Essex and Cambs. were confirmed to his exors. in Apr. 1465. The son John probably died without issue, for Cecily the da., wife first of John Acton and then of Robert Green, died seised of Cressbroke in 1480.¹⁵

¹ *Visitn. Salop*, p. 18; Cussans, *Hertford Hundred*, p. 231.

² *V.C.H. Herts.*, iii. 451. ³ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 10.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* v. 348. ⁵ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 111.

⁶ *Enr. Accts.* F. 2 Edw. IV. B. & C.; *Exchq. Accts.* 195/14, 196/1.

⁷ *Paston Letters*, i. 525. ⁸ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 191. ⁹ *Paston Letters*, ii. 52.

¹⁰ Issue Roll, Easter, 4 Edw. IV. ¹¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1461), 92.

¹² *Letter Book L.* p. 7. ¹³ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV (m.19).

¹⁴ To be bur. in the par. church of Cheshunt beside da. Jane. Bequests to Jane his w. and s. John and da. Cecily. He grants to his w. the lands he had bought at Cheshunt except tenements in Waltham Cross, viz.—a tenement called the White lion, my tenement called the Red lion, and my tenement called "the Stere" which were given to his son-in-law Robert Green. Exors. :—his w. Jane, his s. John, s.-in-law Robert Green, Hugh Fenne (*q.v.*) and William Scott (*q.v.*) gents. Overseer—lord Wenlock (P.C.C., 6 Godyn).

¹⁵ *V.C.H. Herts.*, iii. 451.

CLAY, ROBERT (1405-70); of Cornwall, lawyer. M.P. Helston 1433; Liskeard 1437; Plympton 1449-50, 1450-1; Truro 1455-6.

In 1453 he paid 10s. for a writ in Devon.¹ In 1464 "Robert Clay, clerk", was indicting prisoners at Lostwithiel;² and in 1466 he was exör. of the will of Judge Nicholas Ashton of Callington (*q.v.*). Robert Clay is also to be found at Westminster, a juror in 1461 and 1462. He was probably a lawyer and a servant of Nicholas Ashton (1400-1466).

CLEMENSE, THOMAS (1420-73); of Liskeard, shipowner and lawyer. M.P. Liskeard 1442, 1449 (1), 1449-50.

Perhaps s. of William Clemense, a comnr. in Cornwall 1442.

Constable of Tintagel jointly with Bodulgate, 3 Sept. 1452; a ship of his was taken by pirates near Plymouth 1454; elector, Cornwall, 1453, 1467, 1478; J.P. Cornwall, and of the quorum, 24 Nov. 1460 to 5 June 1472; on comns., Cornwall, 1445 to the Readeption comn. of Oct. 1470;³ pardoned, 20 Nov. 1455.⁴ By Mar. 1461 he was certainly a "King's servant", when he had a grant of the office of parker of Liskeard and steward of the Duchy of Cornwall in Cornwall; constable of Tintagel again 1461; accounts to the Exchequer for works in Cornwall 1461-70. In 1463 he was an apportioner of the subsidy for Cornwall.⁵ He is included among the rebels in Apr. 1470, and he was probably a follower of Warwick.

His position in Cornwall seems, however, still to have been a strong one, for in the 1472 Parl. Jane widow of John Glyn of Morvale accused Thomas Clemense the elder of murdering her husband at 4 a.m. on Saturday, 29 Aug. 1472, on his way to Tavistock Fair, because he had been made under steward of the Duchy of Cornwall, which office Clemense wanted. As she could not get justice in Cornwall she petitioned for a right to summon Clemense and others before the Court of the King's Bench.⁶ He could have, probably did plead, a pardon of 22 May 1472,⁷ "T.C. of Leskereburgh, gent., *alias* late of London, *alias* of Leskyrdburgh" (m.29).

D. 17 Jan. 1473, when Thomas is his s. and h., aged 22. This death, however, may have been faked and the fraud may have been discovered, as both on 29 Nov. 1475 and on 9 Feb. 1476 comns. are apptd. to seize Thomas Clemense, which may, however, refer to his son.⁸

CLEMENT, WILLIAM (1410-60); Groom of the Chamber. M.P. Ludgershall 1449 (1); Cricklade 1459.

The M.P.s for 1449 (1) and 1459 are probably identical, for royal servants generally sat for Ludgershall, and as generally in the Parliament of 1459. So that

¹ Fine Roll, 32 Hen. VI (m.2). ² Anc. Indicts. of the King's Bench.

³ In some of these commissions he is described as of Liskeard, gent.

⁴ Of Liskeard, Cornwall, gent., *alias* of London.

⁵ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV. ⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 35.

⁷ Of Leskeburgh, gent., *alias* late of London, *alias* of Leskyrdburgh (m.29).

⁸ 1473/5 J. Hervy and William Colyn sue the mayor of Liskeard and Thomas Clemense, junior, in connection with an action brought by Thomas Clemense, junior, on a bond extorted by him after an assault by his father's servants on John Glyn of Morvale, murdered, and which was afterwards "declared void" by Parliament (*Early Chan. Proc.* 48/121).

this M.P. may be the William Clement, groom of the Chamber, who, in 1437, had a grant of the office of master forester of Troutbeck and Ambleside.

He is less likely to be the William Clement of Mere, Wilts., whose will was pr. in 1501;¹ though it is quite possible that the King's servant is the William Clement who died just before 15 Aug. 1443, when a writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Hereford.²

CLERE, EDMUND (1417³–88); of Stokesby, esq.; of the Household 1443–60.⁴
M.P. NORFOLK 1447.

S. of John Clere of Ormesby, by Elizabeth da. of Sir Philip Branch; m. Elizabeth,⁵ da. and h. of Thomas Charles, by whom he had Robert who *d. v.p.*⁶

William Paston of Paston and ors. were made his trustees in Burgh, Norfolk, 26 Apr. 1431;⁷ a guarantor for his bro. Robert Clere, 12 Feb. 1440;⁸ a feoffee in Erwardon and Brome, Suff., 4 May 1440;⁹ collector of customs and subsidies at Yarmouth, jointly with Ralph Lampet (*q.v.*), June 1441;¹⁰ among those thanked by Council for finding rioters at Norwich, 5 Nov. 1443;¹¹ loaded a crayer of Flushing with uncustomed wool off Suffolk coast, 4 Dec. 1443;¹² elector, Norf., 1445, 1449 (2), 1472; bailiff of the Duchy of Lancaster in Norf. before 10 July 1448;¹³ pardoned for not appearing touching a debt in London, 11 Oct. 1452;¹⁴ one of those who informed the justices concerning the riots of Robert Ledham in Norf. 1454;¹⁵ wrote to (Sir) John Paston (*q.v.*) about Henry VI's recovery from imbecility, 9 Jan. 1455;¹⁶ a feoffee in "Burdeles" in Scoulton, Norf., 3 Nov. 1465;¹⁷ eschr., Norf., 1469–70; commr., Norf., 1471, 1478, 1484 (twice); petitioned, with his wife, for the return of the lands which his father-in-law Thomas Charles had granted to John (Mowbray), duke of Norfolk, 1485.¹⁸

¹ P.C.C., 3 Blamyr.

² Fine Roll, 21 Hen. VI (m.26).

³ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1430), 19; being bro. and heir of William Clere.

⁴ Described (Pardon Roll, 1 Dec. 1455, m.14) as "of Castor next Yarmouth, esq., late of the Household, bailiff and feodary of the Duchy of Lancaster in Norfolk, custodian of Thetford gaol, Norfolk." The fact that he was at one time "of Caister" (as early as 1440) is evidence of his connection with Sir John Fastolf.

⁵ Margaret Paston writes of "my cousin" Elizabeth Clere of Sheringham going to see Queen Margaret at Norwich in 1459 (*Paston Letters*).

⁶ His mother *rem.* Sir John Rothenale; Edmund and his bro. Robert Clere are mentioned in her will, dat. 16 Oct. 1438; *Paston Letters*, i. 27; *Visitn. Norf.*, 74.

⁷ They were to act as trustees for his mother Elizabeth, during his absence overseas, with reversion to himself and remainder to his bro. Robert; *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. 94; *cf. ibid.* v. 180.

⁸ Concerning the shipment of corn to certain ports by his bro. Robert, Edmund had to give an undertaking that the corn would be shipped to no ports other than those mentioned; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1440), 375–6.

⁹ The feoffees included (Sir) William Calthorpe (*q.v.*); *ibid.* (1440), 398.

¹⁰ Issue Rolls, 19 Hen. VI. ¹¹ *Privy Coun. Proc.*, v. 235.

¹² The matter came to light on the petition of John Hampton (*q.v.*), who was granted the crayer; the wool was forfeited; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (17 Jan. 1444), 229.

¹³ His earliest appearance in this office; *ibid.* (1448), 170.

¹⁴ The debt amounted to £6 6s. 8d.; *ibid.* (1452), 3.

¹⁵ *Paston Letters*, i. 277. ¹⁶ *ibid.* i. 314–6 (Letter No. 226).

¹⁷ The feoffees included (Sir) William Jenney, (Sir) Robert Willoughby, John Heydon, Richard Southwell, Henry Spilman, (Sir) Henry Heydon, and Edmund Jenney (*qq.v.*); *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1465), 471.

¹⁸ Thomas Charles had been accused by Edward IV of receiving letters from Margaret of Anjou; he was imprisoned in the Tower, and had made this settlement in fear of his life; *Rot. Parl.* vi. 292.

D. 6 Nov. 1488; Edmund, s. of his s. Robert, was his g. s. and h., aged 6;¹ bur. in Stokesby Church (M.I.)²

CLERE, Sir ROBERT (1452³–1531); of Ormesby, lawyer. M.P. NORFOLK 1495.

S. and h. of Robert Clere of the same, by Elizabeth (*d.* 1493)³ da. and h. of Thomas Ovedale,⁴ and nephew of Edmund Clere M.P.; *m.* (1) Anne da. of Sir William Hopton,⁵ and (2) Alice da. of Sir William Boleyn.⁶

He occurs with his mother, lady of Ormesby, in 1466;⁷ admtd. Lincoln's Inn 1467; on Norfolk comns. from 1478 (including the arrays of May and Dec. 1484 and many gaol deliveries at Norwich and Yarmouth and the subsidy comns. of 1523 and 1524); kntd. 1494 at York's creation. J.P. Norfolk, 9 May 1494 to 11 Feb. 1526; sheriff, Norfolk and Suffolk, 1501–2. He succeeded his mother in 1493 and was exor. of the will of Sir William Calthorpe (M.P.) in 1494—who bequeathed him 200 sheep. Sir Robert was at the reception of Queen Catherine, 1501, at Henry VII's funeral,⁸ pardoned 1509,⁴ attended Henry VIII at his meeting with Charles V at Gravesend 1520, and attended on the Queen with Lady Clere at the Field of the Cloth of Gold.⁹ He wrote to Wolsey in 1527—had dwelt at Ormesby six years and never heard of riots within two miles of his house of which Sir William Paston complained.¹⁰

D. 1529/31. Will, dat. 1 Aug. 1529, pr. 4 July 1531.¹¹ He left three sons and a daughter.

CLERK *alias* CODEMAN, JOHN; of Eggesford, Devon, gent. M.P. Barnstaple 1442.

Pardoned, as of Eggesford, Devon, gent., *alias* John Codeman, 1443;¹² perhaps the eschr., Devon and Cornwall, 1444–5. Eggesford lies between Barnstaple and Exeter, but he is hardly likely to be the shipowner and pirate and customer of Exeter and Dartmouth 1442–55—see John Clerk of Weymouth M.P. (1415–70).

¹ *Cal. Inq. p.m.*, 4 Hen. VII, No. 458, p. 193; lands—Norf. He *d.* 5 Nov. according to his M.I.

² Brass, with effigies of himself, in armour, and of his wife.

³ He was aged 40 and more at his mother's inquest, Mar. 1493 (*Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, No. 914).

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1509, "of Ormesby, knt., s. and h. of Robert Clere and Elizabeth da. and h. of Thomas Ovedale, *alias* exor. of Eleanor late wife of Roger Townsend, knt., and exor. of George Hopton, knt., *alias* adminr. of goods which were of William Hopton, knt., *alias* guardian of Arthur s. and h. of George Hopton, knt., and adminr. of goods which were of Geoffrey Lesingham, late rector of St. Edmund's, Norwich (*L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 438 (4 m.5)).

⁵ *Paston Letters*, iii. 381.

⁶ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 3741n.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. 258.

⁸ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 20. 17.

⁹ *Foedera*, VI. i. 182.

¹⁰ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, (1527), 3056.

¹¹ To be bur. in Ormesby church if he die there. Bequest to repair chancel there. Masses for self and wives Anne and Alice. Dame Alice his wife to have £10 of plate. Bequests to sons John, Richard and Thomas, and to da. Anne of Denny. Exors.:—Dame Alice, his bro.-in-law, Sir James Boleyn, William Warner, clerk, D.D., Sir Robert Paynton, clerk. Supervisors—Duke of Norfolk and Lord Rocheford (P.C.C., 5 Thrower).

¹² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1443), 250.

CLERK, JOHN (1415-70); of Weymouth and Dartmouth, shipowner. Customer of Exeter and Dartmouth. M.P. Weymouth 1460-1.

With William Soper, John Hunte, King's serjeant-at-arms, John Clerk was comsnd. to take two ships and a ballinger for the passage to France of Ralph, lord Sudeley, 1442. Apptd. contr. of customs at Exeter and Dartmouth, 22 June 1443. John Clerke of Exeter owned a ballinger 1446; in 1451 he owned the *Newe Trynyte*, and part owned, with Otes Gilbert, the *James*, both of Dartmouth. He should have gone with Sir Gervase Clifton to Calais in 1452, but tarried at Dartmouth. In 1455 he is called "pirate"—who in his ship *le Trinita* of Dartmouth had seized the *Bernard Jaff* of Portugal. Pardoned, 4 Apr. 1458, "late of Dartmouth, merchant, *alias* late of Weymouth, merchant" (m.23). Called "of Weymouth" on the 1460 Return.

CLERK, JOHN (1425-99); of Nottingham, lawyer? M.P. Nottingham boro' 1478.

S. of John Clerk (d. 1452) and Elizabeth (d. 1446).

Sheriff of the town 1450-1;¹ elector, Nottingham, 1467; collector of the tenth 1473; mayor 1476-7, 1483-4, 1491-2; alderman from 1477; justice of gaol delivery 1478, 1487; supervisor of the building of the New Hall 1479. In 1473 he paid 12s. 6d. to a tax of one-tenth, and was frequently an exor.—probably a lawyer.²

D. 1498/9. Will, dat. 31 Oct. 1498, pr. at York 10 Oct. 1499. To be bur. in St. Mary's, Nottingham. He was survived by his wife Alice and son John.³

CLERK, JOHN; of Exeter, senior bailiff. ? M.P. Exeter 1445-6.

Mr. J. J. Alexander considers that Clerk may have been the M.P. for Exeter in 1445-6, on the ground that the Receiver's Roll marks a payment to him *and* Tylard of 18s. 6d. "for city business." Now Tylard is known to have been M.P. then, and was later paid £2 as his wage for Parliament. Also John Clerk was then Receiver of Exeter (i.e. senior bailiff). Possibly the receiver was also the customer of Exeter and Dartmouth. He is less likely to be the merchant of Dartmouth and Weymouth, M.P. in 1460; but the recorder is more likely to have been the escheator of Devon in 1444-5.

CLERK, RICHARD (1430-95); of Exeter, cloth-merchant; lawyer. M.P. Exeter 1467-8, (1470-1?), 1472-5, (and perhaps 1484).

At Mich. 1466 Richard Clerke of Devon had special admission to Lincoln's Inn. Probably the same man was bailiff of Exeter 1466, senior bailiff 1470, and cloth merchant.⁴ Escheator, Devon and Cornwall, 1468-9; gauger in Exeter and Dartmouth, 3 Dec. 1471; pardoned, 1471/2—"of Exeter, gent., late of Holdsworthy, Devon, late escheator, late of London, gent." J.P. Devon, and of the quorum,

¹ Called "junior" in the indenture returning the M.P.s (c. 219/16).

² Stevenson, *Rec. Nott.* ii. 220, 266, 287, 288, 298, 381-3; iii. 458-9.

³ *Test. Ebor.* iii. 307.

⁴ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

25 Nov. 1472 to 24 Sept. 1474; on Devon comns. in 1473 and called esq. Pardoned, 12 Mar. 1484, "late of London, gent., *alias* late of Exeter" (m.20).

It may be the same man who was ordered to impress men to make bows 1489, and who was admitted as mayor of the staple in Exeter. Perhaps there was a 2nd Richard Clerke of Exeter, cloth-merchant, for it certainly looks as though the M.P. was a lawyer.

CLERK, THOMAS (1405-66/75); of Reading, draper. M.P. Reading 1449-50.

Perhaps s. of that Richard Clerk of Ashampstead who, with Anne his wife and Thomas Clerk their son, acquired houses in New Street (now Friar St.), Reading, Nov. 1423.¹ He is always called draper, because there was also a hosier and a butcher of the same name in Reading.

Elector, Reading, 1442, 1449 (1) when mayor, 1450; mayor 1448-9, 1460-1 (during which term he lost the Writ *de expensis*), and 1465-6;² occurs in the *Reading Diaries* 1432 to 1463. His wife Elizabeth appears in connection with his New Street property in 1458, and he was selling land in Reading in 1465 to William Edmund of Wells, gent.³

He was dead by 8 Jan. 1476, when Elizabeth Clerk, his widow, was transferring her lands in Reading to John Langham. Edward Clerk of Fridlesham (Frilsham), Berks, husbandman, was his kinsman and heir.

CLERK, WALTER (1415-70); of Southampton, merchant. M.P. Southampton 1455-6, (? 1463-5).

He was water-bailiff of Southampton 1447; elector 1449 (2) and 1453; sheriff 1455-6 chosen while M.P.; mayor 1457-8, 1458-9.⁴ He had Letters of Protection in 1456 to proceed with Gervase Clifton to Calais for victualling thereof; but these were revoked because he tarried at Westminster, 15 Nov. 1456. He was on the Southampton comn. to allot archers in 1457. On the Pardon Roll, 26 Mar. 1463, he appears as "burgess of the town of Southampton, *alias* late of Southampton, merchant, *alias* late sheriff of Southampton" (m.16). It is quite possible that his description as "burgess of Southampton" meant that he had been elected to the Parliament which was summoned in Dec. 1462 and finally met in Apr. 1463. He was dead by 1473, when Elizabeth late wife of Walter Clerk, burgess of Southampton, sued feoffees to uses for a messuage in Southampton.⁵

He must not be confounded with Walter Clerk M.P. for Chippenham in 1460, the hero of the "case of Walter Clerke", so often quoted for privilege of Parliament.

CLERK, WALTER (1435-75); of Frome in Selwood, Som.; lawyer. M.P. Chippenham 1460-1.

Admitted to Lincoln's Inn, and pardoned all vacations 1457/8—for which he was to give the society a pipe of good red wine, to wit a hogshead at Xmas next

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. 250-1.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. 393.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 50/182.

² *Reading Diaries*, i. 393-405.

⁴ Davies, *Hist. of Southampton*.

and another at Xmas following.¹ In 1459/60 his chamber in the Inn was assigned to Philip Morgan as Clerke was absent.² The Parliament of 1460 petitioned for the release "of Walter Clerke, burgess of Chypenham, who has been arrested at the King's suit after coming to Parliament, and imprisoned in the Counter and thence to the Fleet, and also condemned to Robert Basset in an action of trespass and to John Payne in an action of maintenance", and had been outlawed at the suit of John Payne. They protested against Basset and Payne being able to get execution of such sentence after the dissolving of Parliament. The petition was assented to, the precedent was established, and privilege of Parliament became firmly based on "the case of Walter Clerke."³ As of Frome in Selwood, gent., he was sued by Sir John Barre (*q.v.*) in 1470.⁴

CLERK, WILLIAM (1430-1505); of Wenlock. Constable of Bridgnorth 1461-85, Marshal of the Hall 1477. M.P. Bridgnorth 1467-8; Wenlock 1472-5 (1st M.P.); Bridgnorth 1478, (? 1484).

Educated at Eton and admitted to King's College, Cambridge, 1447.⁵ Constable of Bridgnorth, 6 May 1461, and again 1463, when called King's servitor. In Feb. 1467 Harper and William Clerk of Wellington were made joint auditors of accounts in South Wales. In 1468 Clerk is the first burgess on the Wenlock list, following on the bailiff, John Lawley.⁶ He was one of the Yorkists to be arrested, 17 Dec. 1470; eschr., Salop, 1472/3. In Apr. 1477 William Clerk, esq., marshal of the King's Hall, was made steward of Sutton-Madox, Salop. Richard III confirmed to him the constablenesship of Bridgnorth, 5 Mar. 1484, and he fought for Richard at Bosworth. Attainted 1485.⁷ He had a corrody from Wenlock priory which was regranted to Thomas Clerk, 24 Dec. 1485,⁸ and the constablenesship went elsewhere, 19 Sept., 1485. But he was pardoned, "of Wenlock and Bridgnorth, gent.," 1486. Elected bailiff of Wenlock 1489 and 1502.

CLERK, WILLIAM (1460-1515); of Hereford; lawyer. M.P. Hereford city 1491-2.

An attorney, Hereford, 1490;⁹ comnr. of gaol delivery at Hereford 1503 to 1512; J.P., Co. Heref., 20 Jan. 1507 till death; eschr., Heref., 1513-4.

CLERK, WILLIAM (1410-60); of Leicester; lawyer? M.P. Leicester boro' 1453-4.

He was mayor of Leicester 1451-2. He may be the William Clerk of Gedding, Notts., who was coroner for Notts. in 1447, and was accounting for land at Gedding and elsewhere 1435-43.

CLEVE see CLIVE.

CLIDERHOWE see CLITHEROE.

¹ *Black Books of Lincoln's Inn*, p. 32.

² *ibid.* p. 34.

³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 374-5.

⁴ *Year Book* 10 *Edw. IV* (Selden Soc.), 103.

⁵ *Alumni Etonienses*, cf. John Rotherham.

⁶ *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 276.

⁸ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 11.

⁹ Plea Rolls, Trin. 5 Hen. VII.

CLIFF (CLYVE), JOHN (1405-60); of Hastings. M.P. Hastings 1449-50.

There are lands in Hastings called Clyve-Cliff. The John Cleve M.P. for Hastings 1377 and 1385 should probably be Cliff not Cleve. In Mar. 1431 a comn. was issued to arrest John Cornish, William Cook and John Cleve and bring them before the King in Chancery.

CLIFF, JOHN (1415-80); of Scoble near Salcombe. M.P. Plymouth 1453-4.¹

In 1438 John Cliff of Stoke-Damerell¹ and Nicholas, prior of Plympton, sued for a debt; in 1464 John Cliff was a juror at Chorlton, Devon;² in 1467 John Scobehill *alias* Clyffe, late of North Pole, yeoman, sued a clerk of Church Staunton (now in Somerset). He was a feoffee of lands at Gt. Torrington in 1477 together with Philip Beaumont and John Denys of Orleigh (*qq.v.*).

CLIFFORD, THOMAS (1460-1520); of Boscombe, Wilts., gent.³ M.P. Downton 1491-2.

S. and h. of John Clifford by Florence da. of John St. Leger;⁴ *m.* (1), by 1482, Thomassine da. of John Thorpe of Oldbury, Glos. (*d.* 1464), and sister and heir of William Thorpe of Oldbury;⁵ and (2) Jane who survived him.

He was pardoned, 5 Mar. 1484, as "of Farle, Hants, gent." (*m.* 27); and died 10 May 1520, when William, aged 30, was his s. and h. Lands—Oldbury, Glos.⁶

CLIFTON, Sir GERVASE (1415-71); of Brabourne, Kent, and Eresby, Lincs. Lieut. of Dover 1447-50; Treasurer of Calais 1450-60. M.P. KENT 1439-40, 1455-6, (? 1470-1). Lancastrian.

Yr. s. of Sir Gervase Clifton of Clifton, Notts. (*d.* 1453), by Isabel da. of Sir Robert Francis of Foremark, Derbys.; *m. c.* 1437, Maud widow of Sir Richard Stapleton of Rampton (*d.* 1436), and sis. and h. of Ralf, lord Cromwell, the lord Treasurer (1403-55).

J.P. Kent, 13 Mar. 1437 to 12 July 1461; Sheriff of Kent, 1439-40 (pricked while M.P.), 1450-1 (while Mayor of Canterbury), 1458-9; lieut. to Lord Saye and Sele as Constable of the Cinque Ports and Warden of Dover, 1447-50;⁷ advanced £100 for defence of the realm, repaid Mar. 1449; retained to serve the King at sea, Apr. 1449; with Alexander Iden he was paid 1,000 marks for their protection of the narrow seas, May 1449;⁸ accounts as Treasurer of Calais, 1450-60. He sailed with the ill-fated expedition to the Gironde, where the Earl of Shrewsbury lost his life and army at Chatillon; petitioned for £1,075 owed to him for his

¹ Called "of Scobhill" on the schedule; perhaps just to distinguish this John Cliff from John Cliff of Stoke-Damerell.

² Anc. Indicts. of K.B.

³ Boscombe is 6 miles N.E. of Salisbury.

⁴ Hoare, *Wilts.* ii. 115; iii. 46.

⁵ William Thorpe was an idiot in 1482 when the keeping of his lands was granted to Thomas St. Leger (*q.v.*) and Thomas Clifford; and St. Leger was dead when this grant was exempted from resumption in the 1487 Parliament (*Rot. Parl.* vi. 406).

⁶ Inq. *p.m.* 12 Hen. VIII, Vol. 35, No. 116.

⁷ Statham, *History of Dover*.

⁸ Devon, *Issues*, p. 463.

services at sea and at the Siege of Bordeaux, 30 May 1453.¹ Whether he was paid or not we cannot say, but this Treasurer of Calais had at least been knighted by Oct. 1454. He was then in Picardy, and must have remained there until elected to the 1455 Parliament.²

Pardoned Aug. 1455 and 1458; pardoned for not acting as Treasurer of Calais, 1459, and this was natural as he was then Sheriff of Kent; apptd. to attend the General Council at Mantua, but owing to the outbreak of hostilities he never went;³ on the Lancastrian comms. in Kent in 1459-60; with Somerset and Rivers he was sent to raise men and ships to seize Calais, Nov. 1459; with Rivers he attempted to relieve Somerset at Guisnes, but Dynham captured their ships in Sandwich Harbour before ever they started, 15 Jan. 1460.⁴

When the Earls landed, Clifton and Browne retired before them to London and were besieged in the Tower. Clifton escaped execution when they surrendered, 29 July, but his office of Treasurer of Calais was taken by Sir Walter Blount the next day.⁵ With Hungerford, Lovell and Hampden, Clifton escaped, and joined Queen Margaret in the North. He probably fought at Wakefield, for he was specially excepted from pardon in Edward IV's proclamation of 6 Mar. 1461; pardoned, as "of Braebourne, Knight, late of London", 31 June 1461.

In a few years he was again in trouble. A comm. was apptd. Nov. 1465, to inquire into the treasons committed in London by Gervase Clifton, late of Eresby, knt., and he was outlawed. In May 1468, Cornelius, under torture, accused Clifton of conspiracy, and he was specially exempted from pardon with Hugh Mille and Sir Thomas Mallory (*qq.v.*), 1 Dec. 1468; a compounding debt of £99 was due from him in Apr. 1469; but in Jan. 1470 he was pardoned.⁶ He may have fled to France with Warwick and Clarence in Apr. 1470; or he may have remained in England and sat for Kent in the 1470-1 Parliament. In any case he was declared a traitor as being with Queen Margaret, 27 Apr. 1471, was taken at Tewkesbury and beheaded after a drumhead trial before the Dukes of Gloucester and Norfolk, 6 May 1471.

CLIFTON, (Sir) ROBERT (1410-78); of Clifton and Hodsock, Notts. M.P. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1453-4.

S. and h. of Sir Gervase Clifton of the same, M.P. (*d.* 1453), by Isabel da. of Sir Robert Fraunceys of Foremark, Derbys.; *m.* Alice (*d.* 1470) sis. of William Booth, archbp. of York.

Elector, Notts., 1442, 1447, 1449 (1), 1472; sheriff, Notts. and Derbys., 1450-1, 1459-60, 1467-8; J.P. Notts., 11 Nov. 1451 to 3 Dec. 1460, and 3 July 1461 till death; on Notts. comms. very often from 1453 onwards, including the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459; pardoned, 15 June 1452, as "of Wylforth, Notts., esq." (*m.*23), and 20 Oct. 1455, with the Lancastrians, as "of Hudysoke,⁷ late

¹ He had served with 1,000 men at sea, entered the Gironde with the Earl of Shrewsbury and been at the taking of Bordeaux and Chatillon.

² His armourer, William Dekene, had a safe-conduct to join his retinue at Calais in Feb. 1455.

³ Whethamstede's *Register*, i. 336.

⁴ *English Chronicle*, p. 51.

⁵ Ramsay, *Lancaster and York*, ii. 230.

⁶ Late of Brabourne, late of Clifton, late of London, late of Eresby, knt.

⁷ Probably error for Hodsock, Notts; *per* Sir George Sitwell.

of Wilforth,¹ late of Clifton" (m.23). In 1458 Sir Thomas Chaworth (*q.v.*) left him books and made him his exor.;² and in 1464 he was exor. of the will of William Booth, archbp. of York.³ He was kntd., 27 June 1461. In 1463 he was apptd. apportioner of the subsidy.⁴

Sir Robert has prolonged litigation in 1468 with Sir Robert Strelley (*q.v.*)⁵ in connection with his many foundations and endowments. Again pardoned, 1468 "of Hoddesak, Notts." (m.26), and May 1469,⁶ and 5 Feb. 1471 with the added *alias* late sheriff, *alias* executor of the will of Thomas Chaworth senr. Gervase his s. was joined with him when endowing a chaplain at Clifton to pray for the souls of archbp. of York, Dame Alice, late wife of Sir Robert, and Seth Worsley.

D. 9 Apr. 1478, when Gervase, aged 40, was his s. and h. Lands—Notts. Will, dat. 1 Apr. 1478, pr. at York 30 June 1478. To be bur. in church of Clifton. Residue to s. Gervase. His tomb at Clifton calls him "*fundator trium capellanorum collegii in hac ecclesia.*"⁷

CLINTON, (? Hon.) JOHN (1434–88); of Folkestone, Kent. M.P. Marlborough 1472–5.

A comn. was issued, 26 Feb. 1457, to arrest Thomas Pauncefote esq., John Clynton son of Robert Clynton, and George Monyngton, at the suit of the abbot of Gloucester.⁸ Probably the same John Clynton died shortly before 14 Nov. 1502, when writs *diem clausit* were sent to the escheator of Worcs. and Heref.⁹

But the M.P. is probably John, *de jure* Lord Clinton (1434–88), who, through poverty, was never sumnd. to Parlt., nor ever knighted.

Eldest s. and h. of John, lord Clinton (1410–64), by his unknown first wife. His stepmother Margaret, sister of Sir Thos. St. Leger, *rem.* by 1467 Walter Hungerford, which would bring John Clinton into Wilts. *M.* (1) Elizabeth, da. of Richard Fiennes, lord Dacre of Hurstmonceaux, Sussex (*q.v.*); (2) Anne, said to be da. of a Sir Humphrey Stafford, and *rem.* Richard Willoughby. By his first wife he had Sir John Clinton of Amington, Warw., *b.* 1471, kntd. 1501 and sumnd. to Parlt. 1514, as Lord Clinton.

He was pardoned, 9 Aug. 1471, as "of the town of Calais, lord de Clynton and Say *alias* lord de Clynton of Folkestone, Kent."¹⁰

D. 29 Feb. 1488, bur. in Grey Friars, London.¹⁰

CLITHEROE (CLYDERHOWE), HUGH (1405–70); ald. of Hull, merchant.

M.P. Hull 1435, 1437, 1447, 1449 (1), 1463–5

Perhaps s. of Hugh Clitheroe, M.P. for Hull 1413.

Chamberlain of Hull 1426; Bailiff 1428; alderman 1440;¹¹ pardoned as merchant of Hull, June 1440; exor. and residuary legatee under the will of John Aldwyk of Hull, 1444; a beneficiary of £100 under the will of Robert Holme of

¹ Wilford *per* Sir George Sitwell. ² *Test. Ebor.* ii. p. 221. ³ *ibid.* ii. p. 266.

⁴ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV. M.P.s not to serve. ⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 114.

⁶ As "of Hosesak, Notts., kntd., *alias* of Clifton, Notts., *alias* late of Wyllford, late of Clifton, Notts." (m.6). ⁷ *Thor. Soc. Trans.* 1913, pp. 137–8.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1457), 347. ⁹ Fine Roll, 18 Hen. VII (m.2).

¹⁰ *Comp. Peer.* iii. 316; *Ancestor*, viii. 167; x. 32.

¹¹ *Ex inf.* A. S. Harvey from Hull Records.

Hull, perhaps his father-in-law, 1449. In Holme's will bequests are also made to Robert, Hugh and Anne, children of Hugh Clitheroe—£40 each and lands in Hedon.¹ Mayor of Hull, 1441-2, 1446-7 (returning himself to Parlt.), 1448-9 (when again returned), 1457-8;² pardoned, July 1446; on Hull comns., 1446 onwards, frequently to arrest ships and mariners; elector 1449 (2), 1450, 1455 and 1459. In 1451 and 1454, as a merchant of the staple, he had licence to ship wool from Hull. In June 1466 £40 was owed by Hugh Clitheroe of Hull, merchant, son of Hugh Clitheroe of Hull the elder, to a merchant of Almayne.

Cf. also Richard Clitheroe M.P. for Hull (1405-68).

CLITHEROE (CLYTHEROWE), RICHARD (1395-1463); of Romney.

M.P. Romney 1419, 1420, 1421 (May), 1422, 1423-4, 1429-30, 1435, 1437, 1442, 1445-6 (called "esq."), 1447.

Perhaps s. of William Clitheroe, M.P. for Romney 1413, 1414, 1417; or of Richard Clitheroe, M.P. for Kent 1406, 1407.

Apptd. during pleasure, controller of customs and subsidies in Sandwich, May 1432; bailiff of Romney 1430-1, 1439-42, 1445-8, 1450-3, 1462-3.³ The corporation paid Richard Clitheroe for support of "our work done at Rowchester", 1438/9;⁴ for riding to Canterbury to talk to the steward of the Archbishop as to the office of the bailiff of Romney, 1440/1. In 1448/9 he heads the names in the Holynbroke Ward; and paid rent for a house and garden near the common house, 1456. In 1457 he no longer heads Holyngbroke Ward, but for two years he still pays rent for a house and garden in Romney, in which he is succeeded by John Cheyne.⁵

He died about 1463.

CLITHEROE (CLIDERHOWE), RICHARD (1405-68); of Hull. M.P. Hull 1445-6.

Perhaps s. of Richard Clitheroe, merchant of Hull (*d.* 1437).⁶

D. 1468, when administration was granted of the will of Richard Clitheroe of Fynnyngley at York.⁷ In 1481 Alice, late wife of Richard Cliderowe, sued Thomas Cliderowe, feoffee to uses for Alklay, Notts.⁸

Cf. also Hugh Clitheroe, Mayor of Hull and M.P. (1405-70).

CLITHEROE (CLYTHEROWE), WILLIAM (1390-1454); of Hythe, gent.

M.P. Romney 1413, 1414, 1417, 1419; Hythe 1449-50.⁹

M. Margaret Fraunceys, widow, patroness of the Spital Hospital, Romney.¹⁰

In 1465-70 William and Matthew Clitheroe, sons of William Clitheroe, s. of Richard Clitheroe, sued Sir John Scott and other feoffees to uses, for a messuage in Romney.¹¹ On the assumption that this William s. of Richard was the M.P. for

¹ York Wills.

² Sheahan, *Hull*.

³ *Ex inf.* Major Teichman-Derville.

⁴ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* (Romney). v. 542.

⁵ *ibid.* v. pp. 543, 544.

⁶ York Wills, 3. 501.

⁷ *ibid.* 4. 220.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 61/80.

⁹ Elected 28 Oct. 1449, wage to be 18*d.* a day (Hythe Accts. E).

¹⁰ *Arch. Cant.*, xxvii. 48.

¹¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 33/340.

Hythe we judge that he was the Member for Romney also, and the bailiff of Romney in 1414.¹ The Hythe M.P. *d.* 1454,² and was bur. in the chapel of St. Leonards, Hythe.³

CLIVE (CLEVE), WILLIAM; of Worcester, gent.
1449-50, 1450-1.

M.P. Worcester city

There was a William Clyve of Worcester who was sued by William Stevens some time during the reign of Henry VI for procuring false sureties of the peace.⁴ This is obviously the Member for Worcester, and he is *not* the man who was Clerk of the King's Works, 1445-52. On 10 May 1452 William Clyve of Worcester, gent., and James Knolles of the same were mainpernors for John Newton (*q.v.*) for the farm of the subsidy and ulnage on wool.⁵

CLOPTON, HUGH (1440-96); of Clopton by Stratford-on-Avon; ald. and mercer of London. M.P. London 1483 (Jan.).

Yr. s. of John Clopton of Clopton by his wife Agnes.⁶

He was in London, where he occurs as a trustee, by 1476;⁷ pardoned, as one of the staplers 1480; exor. of John Sutton, mercer, 1480/3; M.P. 1483 (Jan.). Richard III sent him with the delegation to Flanders to treat with Maximilian, 11 Aug. 1484.⁸ Alderman from 15 Oct. 1485; sheriff, 21 Sept. 1486-7; master of the mercer's company 1488-9; mayor of London 1491-2.⁹ On gaol delivery, Newgate, 1492. He is last mentioned on the court of aldermen at the Guildhall, 21 Nov. 1495. His fortune enabled him to buy Clopton from his brother Thomas, and he lived much at Stratford.¹⁰

He was never kntd., and died unmarried 15 Sept. 1496.¹¹ Will, dat. 8 Mar. and 8 Sept. 1496, pr. 4 Oct. 1496 and 14 Feb. 1497.¹² He owes his inclusion in the *Dict. Nat. Biog.* to his benefactions to Stratford-on-Avon, where he built the great stone bridge and the house afterwards known as the New Place, where Shakespeare lived in his later years. In 15th century England, benefactions to one's birthplace were uncommon except by will at death, and it was even more uncommon to be unmarried.

¹ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* IV (Romney MSS.), 442.

² Canterbury Probate Regr. C.i.70, being "gent of Hythe." ³ *Ex inf.* A. H. W. Fynmore.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/520. ⁵ Fine Roll, 30 Hen. VI.

⁶ Dugdale, *Warwick*, 698.

⁷ *Letter Book L.* p. 142.

⁸ *Foedera*, V. iii. 149.

⁹ Beaven, *Aldermen*, ii. 18.

¹⁰ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Hugh Clopton; but he was not kntd., though sumnd. to receive knighthood at Edward V's coronation.

¹¹ Beaven, *Aldermen*, ii. pp. 18, 167.

¹² Will of Hugh Clopton, cit., mercer and ald., of London. Dat. 8 Sept., pr. 4 Nov. (Oct.?) 1496. To be bur. St. Margaret's, Lothbury, but if he die in Stratford-on-Avon, in the parish church there. Prayers for souls of his parents John and Agnes. £50 to mend bridges and ways within 10 miles of Stratford; bequest to make a new cross aisle in parish church of Stratford; 15s. a quarter for five years for three scholars to Oxford and Cambridge; to every Anker and Ankress in London and Westminster 20s. His great house at Stratford to his cousin William Clopton. Residue 1/3rd to cousin Hugh Clopton elder; 1/3rd to cousin Hugh Clopton younger and Jane his sis.; 1/3rd to charity, especially for poor householders in Warwick, relieving the poor and mending bridges. Exors.:—Sir William Martin, ald. of London, William Mylborne, chamberlain of London, Richard Cook, mercer of Coventry (*q.v.*), Thomas Handes, mercer of London. Supervisor—Dr. Bretteyn, parson of St. Peter's, Cornhill, and Robert Throckmorton of Coughton (*q.v.*) (P.C.C., 2 Horne).

CLOPTON, ROBERT (1390-1448); ald. of London; draper;¹ King's Serjeant. M.P. London 1439-40.

M. Clarissa (d. 1436), widow of Thomas Scott, salter,² by whom he had Alice who *m.* Henry Chichele (q.v.).³

One of four comrns. apptd. in Feb. 1434, to collect the subsidy voted in previous Parlt. (1433);⁴ had lands etc. in London, Mdsx. and Kent, worth £83 a year, 1436.⁵ Alderman of London, 1434 onwards;⁶ sheriff, 1435-6; auditor, 1437-9; Mayor of London, 1441-2;⁷ J.P. Cambs., 9 July 1443 till death; feoffee with John Carpenter (q.v.) in Barking, 1436;⁸ elector, London (while mayor), 1442; exempted from all offices as King's serjeant and alderman, Apr. 1445.

D. 1448; Will, dat. 14 Jan., pr. Lambeth, 20 Mar. 1448.⁹ There is no evidence that he was related to Hugh; rather should I suppose his name to be Clapton (Orient) rather than Clopton, Warw.

CLYTEROWE see CLITHEROE.

CLYVE see CLEVE.

COBBEY (COBEY), JOHN (1410-73); of Cobb's Place,¹⁰ Romney Marsh, gent. Alchemist and engineer. M.P. Arundel 1435; Hastings 1447, 1450-1.

M. (1) Denise Bonnington, and had sons John, who *d.* before his father in 1472,¹⁰ Thomas and William;¹¹ (2) Margery, midwife to Queen Elizabeth, who survived him. She was exempted from Resumption by the Parlt. of 1472-5 in respect of her pension.¹²

Licence was granted to John Cobbeey to work and experiment in transmuting imperfect metals into gold and silver, provided that it is not against the law, July 1444.¹³

The alchemist was under-sheriff of Kent in Apr. 1453. In 1456 Romney corpn. paid the expenses of jurors to interview John Cobbe "as to a certain dam ordered to be made at Stouberg by the jurors of the Marsh to the nuisance of the

¹ "The fylde wytheowte Algate at the mylys ende besyde Clopton ys Place" (*Gregory's Chron.* p. 192).

² Sharpe, *Cal. of Wills*, ii. 476.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 121; *Visit. Cambs.*, 33.

⁴ *Letter Bk. K.*, 177.

⁵ Subsidy roll, P.R.O., E. 179/238/90, cited by Dr. Thrupp.

⁶ His last attendance at the Board of Aldermen was in Oct. 1446.

⁷ There was a great and unusual disturbance at his election in 1441, as some of the skinnners and tailors wanted Ald. Holland for Mayor (Jor. 3, fo. 97d).

⁸ He also owned property at Willesden and Harlesden, Mdsx., in 1442.

⁹ To be bur. in St. Peter's, Cornhill. Bequest to his da. Alice. All his cattle (*staurum*), stock and implements at his capital messuage in Whitechapel and in his manor of Wimpole and Wendy, Cambs.—one third to wife Margerie, one third to da. Alice, one third to St. Peter's, Cornhill. Bequests to Margerie da. of Alice 100 marks, to Thomas Clerk, writer in London, 40s., 6 marks among his servants. Certain goods to be distributed among the poor. Exors.:—John Chichely, chamberlain of the Guildhall, Thomas Burgoyne (q.v.), John Clopton s. of Geoffrey Clopton, my cousin (164 Stafford).

¹⁰ His will was pr. at Canterbury in 1473, as "of Herne." (C.2.234.)

¹¹ *Visitn. Kent* (1619), 148.

¹² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 93.

¹³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1444), 275.

town.”¹ Therefore, he was probably also an engineer. In 1457 Romney paid 13*d.* to Thomas Hextall (*q.v.*) and John Cobbe for having their friendship for the delivery of a prisoner.² In 1459 and 1460 he was the bailiff of Hastings.³ Under the Yorkists, Cobbey was made purveyor for the King’s ships, 20 May 1461, and given an annuity of £10 from the issues of the ulnage on cloth in Kent; exempted (as John Cobbys) from the Acts of Resumption of 1463 and 1467. On 16 Apr. 1469 he and Margery his wife were granted a pension of £10 for the life of Margery, out of the issues of co. Stafford. In 1467 Romney, which realised his value, paid his expenses for viewing their harbour;⁴ and in 1469 for levelling and taking the water of Romney Marsh by the Favelmere.⁵ He sat on Kent comns. 1468 to 1473.

D. shortly before 11 July 1473.⁶ In the writ of *diem clausit extremum* addressed to the eschr. of Kent he is called John Cobbe, gent.; and whether he was Cobbey or Cobb, as the present Cobb’s Place would suggest, one cannot say. He is probably the first of the civil engineers to sit in Parliament. The next, Guildford (*q.v.*), came also from lively Kent.

COBERLEY, THOMAS (1410–70); ? of Stockwell, Surrey; lawyer. Sheriff’s bailiff. M.P. Hindon 1449–50.

Such a man was an attorney in a Somerset case, 1440, in an Essex case, 1450;⁷ he was sheriff’s officer in 1442 when the sheriffs of London sumnd. a man “by Thomas Coburley.” There was debate between Coberley and Nicholas Molyneux esq., touching the manor of Stockwell, Surrey, which had been to arbitration—Molyneux was suing Coberley in Chancery, 1453. In 1455 Coberley was suing Molyneux for £40. He was put on a Kent comn. in 1463. Coberley is near Malmesbury, however; and a William Coberley, tailor, was one of three burnt at the stake at Salisbury in 1520/30 as mentioned in Foxe’s *Martyrs*.⁸

COBEY see COBBEY.

COCK⁹ (COK), JOHN (1410–75); of Bodmin, mercer. M.P. Bodmin 1453–4.

Among those who rioted against the Priory of St. Petrock’s, Bodmin, in 1455 were John Cok, mercer, and John Cok the younger, yeoman. In 1467/72 John Cock of Cornwall, mercer, sued the sheriffs of London for his detention pending an action of trespass brought against him by Nicholas Barbour.¹⁰ In 1470/3 Cock and Thomas Wolton, mercers of Bodmin, were sued in Chancery by a merchant of Brittany for imprisoning him at Plymouth on a plea that he had plundered their ship at sea.¹¹

CODEMAN *alias* CLERK see CLERK.

¹ Romney MSS. *Hist. MSS. Comm.* v. 343.

² *ibid.* v. 544.

³ List in Hastings Town Hall.

⁴ Romney MSS. *ut supra*, v. pp. 540, 546.

⁵ *ibid.* v. p. 543.

⁶ Fine Roll, 13 Edw. IV (m.17).

⁷ Plea Rolls, K.B.

⁸ *Wilts. Arch. Mag.* xx. 277; xxi. 70.

⁹ Cock, not Cook (A. L. Rowse, M.A.).

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 46/472.

¹¹ *ibid.* 49/18.

CODLYN, JOHN ; of Yarmouth.

M.P. Yarmouth 1461-2.

In May 1460 Hamond Pulham, John Codlyn, Edmund Widewell (*q.v.*) and others of Yarmouth were on a piracy comn. The names of the Yarmouth M.P.s for 1461-2 are recovered from the Pardon Roll, 1 Nov. 1462 "John Codlyn" (and Hamo Pulham likewise), "late bailiff, *alias* late one of the burgesses of Gt. Yarmouth" (m.15).

CODON, RICHARD (1400-60) ; of Dunwich ; Coroner of Dunwich 1450.
M.P. Dunwich 1431, 1449 (1).

Robert Codon, who was M.P. for Dunwich 1421, 1426, 1442, 1450, is probably his brother.

Richard Codon was bailiff, *i.e.* chief officer, of Dunwich, 1423, 1438, 1439 ;¹ an elector of Dunwich in 1423 (while bailiff), 1426, 1427, 1435, 1449 (2), 1450 (called "Coroner") when Robert was elected, and in 1453.

CODON, ROBERT (1395-1460) ; of Dunwich.² M.P. Dunwich 1421 (May), 1426, 1442, 1450-1.

He held 50s. of land in Theberton, Suff., 1433. Bailiff of Dunwich, 1427, 1432, 1441, 1442, 1449, 1450, 1452-3 ;³ elector, 1414, 1427 while bailiff, 1435, 1449 (2), and in 1453 while bailiff ; £20 was owed him as of Dunwich in 1449, and in Nov. 1451 there is a grant by Thomas Stacey of Beeston, Beds., to Elizabeth, da. of Robert Codon of Dunwich, of lands in Beeston which Stacey had of the gift of Agnes his mother.⁴ He was alive, 4 June 1451 ;⁵ and dead in 1451/65, when a Chancery suit shows William, son of Robert Codon, suing Piers Codon and other feoffees of Robert Codon for land in Stoven, Suffolk.⁶

CODYNGTON see CUDDINGTON.

COHEW, NICHOLAS (1410-55) ; councillor of Totnes. M.P. Totnes 1447.

He was assessed "within the gates" at 3½*d.* in 1444/5 ; and at 16*d.* for the grant of one-half of one-fifteenth as voted by the 1445 Parlt., Sept. 1448 ; again assessed in 1448/9 ; an assessor of the subsidy granted in the 1449 Parlt. He was one of the council of twelve in Apr. 1449, 1450 and 1452 ; one of the twenty-four at the mayor's court in Jan. 1450, when he was apptd. overseer ; a superintendent of the belfry repairs at Totnes in 1451 ; one of the eighteen in Oct. of that year. Evidently he was a Town Councillor of Totnes, and must have died about 1455.⁷

COKE (COK) see COOK, C.

¹ Gairdner, *Hist. of Dunwich*.

² Cf. Richard Codon (1405-60), M.P. Dunwich 1431, 1449 (1). *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1433), 210.

³ Gairdner, *Hist. of Dunwich*.

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 406.

⁵ Robert Codon, gent., with Thomas Piers (*q.v.*), Nicholas Shipman (*q.v.*), and William Bowebrok, mainpernors for burgesses of Dunwich for keeping of Dunwich (Fine Roll, 29 Hen. VI).

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/311.

⁷ Watkin, *Totnes Town Records*.

COKE see GREENFIELD, JOHN.

COKESEY, Sir HUGH (1395-1445); of Witley, Worcs. M.P. WORCESTERSHIRE 1442.

S. and h. of Sir Walter Cokesey of the same ;¹ *m.* Alice, who *rem.* Sir Andrew Ogard (*q.v.*).

Kntd. by May 1427, when Jane Beauchamp, lady of Bergavenny, complained that Hugh Cokesey, "late of Witteley, Worcs., knt.", and others had broken into her house at "Snyeterfield", Warw. Under-sheriff of Worcs. 1429-30; a feoffee for John Grevyll in Gloucestershire in 1439. He and his wife, Alice, were enfeoffed in Bromley, Surrey, Feb. 1441.

D. 15 Dec. 1445, when Joyce Beauchamp, then wife of Leonard Stapulton, aged 40, was his sis. and h. He held lands in Warw., Surrey, Sussex and Worcs. Joyce's g.s. was Sir Thomas (Greville) Cokesey M.P.

COKESEY (KOKESAY), (Sir) THOMAS (1452-98); of Campden, Glos., and Cokesey, Worcs. Steward of Henley in Arden 1477-98; Sq. of the Body 1477-83; Knight of the Body 1485-98. M.P. GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1478 (and probably 1485-6).

S. and h. of Sir John Greville of Campden (*d.* 1480) (who was s. and h. of Sir John Greville by Joyce da. and h. of Sir Walter Cokesey, Worc.). Took the name of Cokesey even before succeeding to his grandmother's great estates.² *M.* Elizabeth da. of Thomas Vaughan; she *rem.* John, lord Grey of Wilton, who *d.* 1499; and then 1500/1 Sir Edward Stanley (Lord Monteagle 1513), and *d.* 15 Jan. 1515.³

He was Squire of the Body by 1477 when appointed steward of Henley in Arden.⁴ On Glos. comms. from 1478, including the arrays of Richard III; sheriff, Warw. and Leics., 1480-1; J.P. Warw., 28 Nov. 1481 to 24 May 1483, and 27 Sept. 1485 till death; J.P. Glos., 21 Feb. 1485 till death. The stewardship of Henley was confirmed to him in 1484 and Sept. 1485. Henry VII restored him to the Glos. bench, kntd. him 28 Oct. 1485, and made him Knt. of the Body. He took out a pardon, Dec. 1485; and was probably in the Parlt. 1485-6, which exempted his stewardship of Henley from resumption.⁵

Cokesey took the principal part in the suppression of the rebellion of Humphrey Stafford of Grafton (*q.v.*). The man was doomed for he had destroyed the Duke of Buckingham in Oct. 1483. By Apr. 1486 Lord Lovell ("our dog") was getting ready to attack York, and Humphrey Stafford to seize Worcester. Cokesey and his "uncle Vampage" had been ordered to search for Stafford of Grafton, and Cokesey's letter, preserved in the Ancient Indictments, gives a full account of the search.⁶ Stafford, warned by Sir Richard Burdett, escaped to sanctuary at Culham; but John Savage and 60 men took him out of sanctuary, 13 May 1486,

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1445).

³ *Comp. Peer.* vi. 181.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 368.

² *Comp. Peer.* vi. 181; Pardon Roll, 11 Dec. 1485 (m.1).

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1477), 46.

⁶ He tracked him to a wood near Bewdley, and Cokesey's 400 followers "scherche theryn to the utte uttemas" (*Eng. Hist. Rev.*).

and he was condemned and executed 5 July 1486.¹ For his part in this, Cokesey was rewarded with the keepership of Haseley, Warw., and of the lands and heir of the unfortunate Humphrey. Cokesey was made a banneret at Stoke Field, 16 June 1487, and sat on gaol deliveries at Warwick up to Sept. 1497. *D. s.p.* 6 Mar. 1498,² and was succeeded by his 4th cousin Roger Horton who had licence of entry in 1506.³

COKKYS see COX.

COLARD see COLLARD.

COLAWOD see COLLINGWOOD.

COLAYN see COLLIN.

COLCLOUGH, THOMAS (1410-70); of Newcastle-under-Lyme. M.P. Newcastle-under-Lyme 1450-1, 1453-4.

Perhaps s. of John Colclough of Hanley, Staffs., M.P.

He was "gent. of Newcastle" and occurs in the *Staffs. Colls.* continually 1442 to 1464, when he was outlawed for debt.⁴ He also held land at Blurton.⁵ An elector for the county when elected for Newcastle in 1450, and an elector in Newcastle in 1467. Richard Colclough, his s. and h.,⁶ was mayor of Newcastle in 1478.

COLDALÉ, JOHN À (1440-76); of Carlisle. Keeper of Inglewood 1467-76. M.P. Carlisle 1472-5.

Coldales, Coldells, were common in Cumberland. John was M.P. for Carlisle in 1529; Hugh perhaps M.P. in 1484, certainly then pardoned; Thomas and Richard, electors in 1478; Richard, son of John—a merchant of Carlisle—was pardoned, Mar. 1483; Robert, of Keswick, pardoned Feb. 1460, may also be the father of John à Coldale.

He was made King's keeper of the forest of Inglewood with fees, 1 May 1467; deprived and denounced as a rebel, 24 Oct. 1471; restored to the office by a judgment of the sheriff, Sir William Parr, 22 Apr. 1472; dead by 8 July 1476 when the keepership of Inglewood, void by his death, was conferred on James Moyses, yeoman of the chamber (*q.v.*).⁷

COLE, JOHN (1420-80); of Sandwich, sea-captain. M.P. Sandwich 1467-8.

To be arrested, May 1450; charged with being a pirate, Oct. 1450. In 1453 he pirated a ship of Corfe and brought it to Sandwich or Portsmouth. In 1456, being owner of a karvell of Sandwich, he looted a Dunkirk ship off Margate. But he was collector of subsidy in 1457;⁸ a comnr. in Kent 1467; called "of

¹ Hody the attorney genl. and Townshend (*qq.v.*) denied the plea of sanctuary. Stafford came before Husey in the K.B. on 20 June :—"sanctuary could not be pleaded in cases of treason".

² *Comp. Peer.* vi. 181. ³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1506), 454. ⁴ *Staffs. Colls.* iv. N.S., 132.

⁵ *ibid.* iii. N.S., p. 218. ⁶ *ibid.* V. ii. p. 96. ⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1476), 596.

⁸ *Enr. Accts.* F. 36 Henry VI. R.

Sandwich" 1467/72.¹ Mayor of Sandwich 1469, 1473, 1474.² He was seized, as an English shipowner, in Burgundian reprisals, Feb. 1471; but compensated by being given the tronage and pesage of Sandwich, 4 July 1471. In Sept. 1471, being on the King's side, John Cole and Robert Cosyn were ordered to seize the goods of "Thomas Fauconberge, traitor"—(the bastard).³ John Kyriell, Fetherstone (*q.v.*) and Cole—then master of the *Trinity Cole*—were appointed, 14 June 1472, to command an armed force which the King was sending to sea to resist enemies and rebels. In Mar. 1475 John Kyriell, captain of the ships *Marie Cole*, *Swan*, and *Packer*, and John Cole, their owner, were ordered to press mariners, etc., for the conduct of an armed force—to cover no doubt the King's expedition to France. Cole was then mayor of Sandwich.

COLE, JOHN; of Salisbury. M.P. Wilton 1459.

A John Cole was in Bridgwater *temp.* Ed. IV.; and a John Cole was M.P. Sandwich 1467; and a John Cole died 1498 seised of lands in Devon leaving a s. and h. aged 25. But we like none of these so much as the man who had a curtilage in Salisbury in 1455.⁴ Perhaps he was the juror in the King's Bench at Westminster, who occurs so often between 1460 and 1465⁵—some sort of a King's servant.

COLESHILL, Sir JOHN (1420–84); of Tremethart and Binhammy. M.P. CORNWALL 1453–4. Lancastrian.

S. of Sir John Coleshill of the same, sheriff 1438; *m.* by Apr. 1448⁶ Elizabeth da. and coh. of Sir Edmund Cheyne and coheiress of Humphrey Stafford, earl of Devon (1439–69) (*q.v.*).

J.P. Cornwall, 3 Apr. 1442 to 8 Nov. 1470; on some thirty Cornish comns. from 1443 to 1483, but not under the Readeption or Richard III. Knighted 1443/6; pardoned, 23 June 1446.⁷ Coleshill was Lancastrian for he was sumnd. to the Great Council, 16 Apr. 1455, to represent Cornwall,⁸ and pardoned, 20 Nov. 1455;⁹ and on 8 May 1462, with the other Lancastrians.¹⁰ But he served the Yorkists early and well—an apportioner of subsidy in Cornwall, 1463¹¹—on comns., and sheriff 1466–7. In 1466 he was supervisor of the will of Sir Nicholas Ashton, Justice of the K.B. (*q.v.*). When Humphrey Stafford, earl of Devon, was beheaded after Edgcote fight, Dame Elizabeth Coleshill became a coh. with Willoughby and Strangwish (*qq.v.*) to his large estates. Coleshill was reinstated on the bench by the Readeption government 23 Feb. 1471; retained there and pardoned by the restored Edward, 30 Oct. 1471; again pardoned as a surviving feoffee of Philip Coppleston's manors of Bree, Bodmin, etc., 10 Mar. 1474 (m.8). Removed from the bench, 27 May 1483.

D. 30 Mar. 1484, when Jane (50) wife of William Houghton was sis. and h. Elizabeth his widow was pardoned in 1484 and again by Henry VII, 21 Feb.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 46/455. ² Boys, *Sandwich*. ³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 288.

⁴ *Pro curtilagio in Maccy Crofte, prius Joh'is Cole*, 1½d. (*Wilts. Arch. Mag.* xxxvii. 84).

⁵ Ancient Indicts. of the K.B.

⁶ Licence to enter on her lands, Apr. 1448.

⁷ As "John Coleshill knt." (m.46).

⁸ *Privy Council Proc.*

⁹ As "of Tremethert, knt., son and heir of John Coleshill knt." (m.17).

¹⁰ John and Elizabeth were pardoned "of Benamy late of Thremethert knt." (m.20, m.32).

¹¹ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

1488, as " of Hoke, Dorset, late of Tremethert, late wife of Sir John Coleshill " (m.3), for Parliament in 1485¹ restored to her the lands of Sir Humphrey Stafford of Hoke, earl of Devon, which had been annexed by Humphrey Stafford of Grafton M.P. in the heyday of his power.

COLET, Sir HENRY (1440-1505); ald. of London; mercer and stapler; and of Weldon, N'hants. M.P. London 1487, 1489-90.

S. of Robert Colet of Wendover, Bucks.; m. Christine da. of John Knyvett, by whom he had twenty-two children of whom only one survived him—John, the dean of St. Paul's, 1467-1519.²

In 1470 when Edward IV fled, Colet was one of those who garrisoned the Tower to protect Henry VI.³ Pardoned after the Readeption, Dec. 1471; a feoffee for Sir John Dorward (q.v.) in Essex, 1475; a mercer with whom John Paston had reasonable dealings.⁴ Ald. of London, 1476 till Feb. 1482 and Feb. 1483 till death;⁵ auditor 1476-7, 1483-5; sheriff 1477-8; master of Mercers' Co. 1480, 1489, 1495, 1505; mayor of London 1486, 1495.⁶ Pardoned again as a stapler, on payment, 1480 and 1484.⁷ He bought the wardship and marriage of the coh. of John Iwardly in 1486—no doubt as wives for his numerous children. He was also intimate with Sir Reynold Bray who was joined with him in the custody of Weldon.⁸ Kntd. 6 Jan. 1487, and granted free warren in his manors of Roydon and Congham, Norf., and Weldon, Deene, etc., N'hants.⁹ He sat principally on Beds. comns., i.e. subsidy Jan. 1488 (although or because he sat in the 1487 Parlt.) and on Bedford gaol deliveries.

D. 1 Oct. 1505, when John Colet D.D., aged 38, was his s. and h. Lands—Clippesby, Norf., worth £3; Thirning, Hunts., worth £4; le Hertysborn in Southwark, etc. Will 1505, pr. in P.C.C.¹⁰

COLET, WILLIAM (1435-1505); of Kayesho, Beds., lawyer. M.P. Bedford boro' 1467-8, 1478, 1491-2 (and probably in between).

Perhaps a relation of Sir Henry Colet M.P., who was frequently a comnr. in Beds.

J.P. Beds., and of the quorum, 7 Dec. 1473 to 5 Dec. 1483; 21 Aug. 1484-1485; 19 Aug. 1487 till death. On Beds. comns. from 1475, including Aug. 1483 and Dec. 1484, and many gaol deliveries in Bedford town. A trustee for the prior of Caldwell, Beds., in 1481.

D. 1505. Will dat. 20 Oct. 1505, pr. 12 Feb. 1506.¹¹

¹ Rot. Parl. vi. 325.

² *Life of Colet*. It is not clear, however, that John was eld. s. When John Knyvet grants Gt. Weldon, N'hants., to Henry Colet in 1477, he joins him as feoffee with Robert Colet, John Colet and Geoffrey Colet, mercers, and their heirs, which seem to be his sons in order of seniority (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1477, 53). ³ Jor. 7, fo. 223d. ⁴ *Paston Letters*, iii. 194.

⁵ He was allowed to give up his office, 15 Feb. 1482, on ground of his continual absence from the City. In return he gave 200 marks to repair the Cross in Chepe. Again chosen alderman, 1 Feb. 1483 (Jor. 8, fo. 267; 9, fo. 13). ⁶ *Letter Book K*. 34n.

⁷ Pardon Roll, Mar. 1484, Henry Colet, citizen, ald., and mercer of London, *alias* late sheriff, *alias* Collett, Colett, Colette, etc. (m.13).

⁸ Palmer's Index to the Fine Rolls. ⁹ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 410.

¹⁰ Christian his w. and John his s. are named as exors. (41, 42 Holgrave).

¹¹ To be bur. in ch. of Holy Sepulchre beside his w. Alice. Bequests to ch. at Caysho. Lands in Caysho and Stoughton to w. (not named), to be sold after her death for their souls. Exors. :—John St. John knt., and Mr. William Morgan, clerk (P.C.C., 42 Holgrave).

COLLARD (COLARD), WALTER (1415 80); of Wycombe. Lawyer?
M.P. Wycombe 1453-4.

A Walter Collard was receiver of St. James Priory, Exeter, in 1437.¹ The M.P. witnesses a deed at Wycombe 1442, was a comburgess there in 1449,² and an elector there 1450, 1467, 1478. At Wycombe Thomas More was bound to Walter Colard in £80 in 1456. He was an arbitrator there in 1470;³ in 1460/5 a feoffee for Margaret, late wife of John Hilles, of lands in Wycombe.⁴ Certainly he was a burgess of Wycombe, but probably a lawyer.

COLLIN (COLAYN), JOHN (1410-60); of Portsmouth, shipowner.
M.P. Portsmouth 1447.

In 1447, and again regularly till 1455, John Collin was comsnd. as purveyor to the Household. What he purveyed is not clear, but in 1451 the master of *le Mary of Rye*, whereof John Collin was owner, is allowed to have £23 for wages due to him from the King out of the customs of Portsmouth.

There was also, in 1434, a John Collin, jeweller of London. Collins in fact was already a common surname in England and cannot be solely of Scottish origin.

COLLIN (COLYN), JOHN (1445-1505); of Nether-Hamett, Cornwall.
M.P. Truro 1491-2.

There was a William Colyn, M.P. Truro 1411, a Robert M.P. Truro 1433. About 1470 Nicholas Carminowe and John Colyn of Helland, esqs., were sued by Thomas Lymbery (*q.v.*) in Cornwall.⁵ But our man John Colyn of Nether Hamett, Corn., received a general pardon, 6 Nov. 1500. He was presumably dead by 1509.

A John Colyn (*c.* 1526) was the collector of notes preserved in the Harleian MSS. 2252 which names the 1491-2 M.P.s, probably collecting them because his father was the Truro M.P. of 1491-2; this man was a Londoner, but the family may have migrated to London after the death of John Colyn M.P.⁶

COLLINS (COLYNS), JOHN (1450-1500). M.P. Wenlock 1491-2.

There is no such name in the Wenlock records; but he may be a Collins of Brockton, Salop.⁷ We find no will or Inq. *p.m.*; but in 1475 such a man was a feoffee, surviving 6 Nov. 1492, for Sir Henry Roos in Hants.⁸ Therefore he may be a carpet-bagger from afar.

COLLINGRIDGE (COLYNGGRUGGE), JOHN (1430-1499); of Lambourn, Berks. Lawyer; receiver of Duchess of Suffolk. M.P. Wallingford 1467-8.

Perhaps son of William Collingridge; *m.* Isabel coh. of Mackney, Berks.⁹

In 1450 John Roger of Benham had settled Eastbury, Berks., on John Collingridge for life, presumably a marriage settlement, with remainder to heirs of John Roger.¹⁰ He was a feoffee to uses of "Argaston" (East Garston?), Berks., in 1465/70; and for Edward Langford in the Isle of Wight 1470. In 1465/70

¹ *Enrolled Accts.* F. 21 Hen. VI. 1.

² *Hist. MSS. Comn.* v. p. 563.

³ Parker, *Wycombe*, p. 44.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/300; 29/23.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 72/52.

⁶ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

⁷ *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

⁸ *Cal. Inq. Henry VII*, i. p. 355.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 40/87.

¹⁰ On 22 Feb. 1465 the keeping of Padworth manor, Berks., was granted to John Colyngrygge, on the mainprize of Edward Langford of Bradfield, Berks., esq., and Thos. Roger of Speen, Berks. (Fine Roll, 4 Edw. IV).

Thomas Mersh, citizen of London, sued John Collingridge, elder and younger, for a wardship of two London cohns. which they had obtained from the escheator of Berks., but which by the custom of the city of London belonged to him.¹ J.P. Berks., and of the quorum, 8 Dec. 1473 to 14 Apr. 1478; and on comns. 1473-4. He was suing for a messuage, etc., in Hadleigh and Blakgrove in Lambourn, late of Sir Richard Darell, in 1479.² Pardoned, 1 Feb. 1487, "late of London, senior, gent., *alias* late receiver for Alice, duchess of Suffolk, in Surrey, Kent and London, *alias* late of St. Andrews outside Temple bar, *alias* late of Lambourn, Berks." (m.22).

D. 3 Sept. 1499; when John, aged 15, was his s. and h. As Eastbury, Berks., reverted to William Essex and his wife, heiress of the Roger family, we may suppose that John "junior" was son by his first marriage and had died, and that John the heir aged 15 was by a 2nd marriage.

COLLINGWOOD (COLAWOD), ROBERT (1435-89); of Eslington. M.P. NORTHUMBERLAND 1478.

S. and h. of John Collingwood of same³ (*d.* 1463/73).

In 1463 Robert and his father, being farmers from the Haselriggs of the manor of Eslington, were acquitted for life of the yearly rent of £4 16s. 8d., due to the Crown; and this grant was exempted from Resumption in 1473.⁴ Robert (with his son John) was granted in 1480 a £10 annuity out of Newcastle customs, for his good service in the East and Middle Marches; a comnr. to observe the truce on these Marches, Dec. 1484.⁵ Customer at Newcastle, Dec. 1485, renewed Nov. 1486. In Apr. 1486 his son was joined with him in the quit claim on that yearly rent of £4 16s. 8d., from Eslington. D. shortly before 10 Oct. 1489.⁶

COLNET, RICHARD (1445-1506); of Winchester; M.P. Winchester 1472-5.

A rich citizen of uncertain occupation and inherited wealth. By 1467 he was paying 4 marks for release from obligation to serve in any town office save that of mayor. Next year his expenses going to London to negotiate the ulnage were 31s. 5d. His house rent in Winchester was 20s. a year.⁷ M.P. 1472; mayor 1476-7; an elector 1478. John Nele of London, grocer, was his factor for the sale of wool, 1473.⁸ He sued John Hill of Winchester for failing to sign a bond,⁹ and Edward Freman for failure to release the plate he had pledged with him for a loan, 1475/85.¹⁰ On a comn. in Hants on concealed lands 1505.

D. 1506—will, dat. 26 Mar., pr. 20 Apr. 1506—when his wife Jane was his relict, his son Richard was of age, and his mother Jane survived him.¹¹

COLPAYS, ROBERT (1390-1445); of Winchester, lawyer. M.P. Winchester 1431, 1433, 1437, 1442.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/449.

² *ibid.* 56/176.

³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 88.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 16 Feb. 1456, "of Eslyngton, Nhnd., gent." (m.9).

⁵ *Foedera*, V. iii. 157.

⁶ *Writ diem clausit extremum* (Fine Roll, 5 Hen. VII).

⁷ *Ex inf.* J. S. Furley from the City Records. ⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 50/383. ⁹ *ibid.* 59/117.

¹⁰ *ibid.* 60/13.

¹¹ To be bur. in Winchester cathedral. Bequests to St. Peter's, Hyde; to abbot of Hyde; to John Wykes esq. Jane his mother to have the chest of silver with the sign of the swan in the middle. Thomas Colnett to have his supply of books. Exors. :—his son Richard, his wife Jane and his brother Thomas. Supervisor—John Newport esq. (*q.v.*) (P.C.C., 6 Adeane).

He only held minor offices in the city before his election to Parlt. In 1416 the auditors were entertained at dinner at his house, at a cost of seven shillings; in 1417 he was paid one quarter mark for making a copy of the Charter for the city; 1419-20 he was chamberlain. Colpays occurs as an attorney on the Plea Rolls for Hants and Wilts., 1439;¹ in 1439 he was released, by vote in Boromote, from holding the office of bailiff.²

COLT, JOHN (1464-1521); of Roydon, Essex. M.P. Gatton 1491-2.

S. and h. of Thomas Colt M.P. (1425-67) by Jane (Trusbut); *m.* (1) Jane da. of Sir John Elrington M.P. (1435-83), and (2) Mary.

He was brought up in the house of his stepfather (Sir William Parr), but his custody and marriage was transferred in 1477 to Sir John Elrington (*q.v.*), and he had licence of entry on his lands, 15 Nov. 1485.³ He held also the manor of Greys in Cavendish, Suff.⁴ Excused from taking up knighthood or being made sheriff, etc., July 1510;⁵ on comns. in Essex and Herts. 1513-6, *i.e.* sewers, gaol delivery, etc.

D. 22 Oct. 1521;⁶ M.I. (with two wives) at Roydon.⁷

COLT, THOMAS (1425-67); of Netherhall in Roydon, Essex. On York's Council 1453-60; keeper of the Hanaper 1461-7; a Chamberlain of the Exchequer 1454-9, 1460-7;⁸ Chancellor of the Earldom of March and P.C. 1463-7. M.P. Carlisle 1449-50; Warwick boro' 1453-4; CUMBERLAND 1455-6; (somewhere? 1460-1); CUMBERLAND 1461-2; Carlisle 1463-5. Yorkist.

S. of Thomas Colt of Carlisle by a da. of Girlington;⁹ *m.* Jane g. da. and h. of Laurence Trusbut⁹ of Paglesham and had John Colt M.P. Jane survived, *rem.* Sir William Parr (*q.v.*), and *d.* 1476/7.

As he was paid from the Exchq. in July 1448 in connection with the settlement of the Duke of Warwick's estates,¹⁰ he may even then have been an officer of the Exchequer; eschr. of Cumbd. and Westd., 1447-8; J.P. Cumbd., 12 Feb. 1448 to 9 Dec. 1459; sub-sheriff, Warw., 1454-5. He was joined with Lord Cromwell as Chamberlain of the Exchq., Jan./July 1454 and retained the office at least as late as Feb. 1459. He was paid for his "special service" in the present Parlt., 27 Nov. 1455.¹¹ At the same time he served the Duke of York;¹² and he was with the Yorkists at Ludford. Therefore he was attainted at the Coventry Parlt. when called "late of London, gent," and "one of (York's) advisers." In Mar. 1460 5 marks were offered for Colt's capture, but he probably recovered the Chamberlainship after Northampton. At Wakefield, 30 Dec. 1460, Roger, s. of Thomas Thorpe,

¹ Plea Rolls, K.B.

² *Ex inf.* J. S. Furley.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1485), 44.

⁴ *Geneal N.S.*, ii. 224; *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. p. 435.

⁵ *L. and P. Hen. VIII*, i. 546 (3).

⁶ Morant, *Essex*, i. 313.

⁷ Will of John Colt of Roydon, pr. 25 Nov. 1521. To be bur. at Roydon "beside my father, without any gret pompe or grete coste about my vile body". Mary his wife to have Netherhall (in Roydon). Bequests to son George; 10 marks a year to Sir Thomas More "for fynding of my young son Thomas Colte till he come of age of xx yeres" and to be brought up by Sir Thomas; bequest to da. Edyn; "to my son Sir Thomas More one of my best colts at his own pleasure". Bequest to John s. of my s. George. Residue to Mary his w., and she and s. George exors, (P.C.C., 18, Maynwaryng).

⁸ Issue Rolls, Nos. 798 to 839.

⁹ *Visitn. Essex*, 566.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/28.

¹¹ Issue Roll, 26 Hen. VI, No. 772.

¹² Issue Rolls, 34 Hen. VI, No. 806.

¹³ Mainpennor for the Duke of York in July 1454 and in 1456; pardoned, 1458, as "late of Middleham, gent., *alias* late of Sandall,"—Salisbury's and York's castles.

his Lancastrian rival at the Exchq., "sought out Colt" and attacked and sore hurt and wounded him. He got £2,000 damages and/or Colby, Essex, from Thorpe.¹

J.P. Essex, and of the quorum, 14 July 1461 till death, and on all Essex comms.; once more a Chamberlain at the Receipt of the Exchq., with Humphrey Bourchier (*q.v.*), lord Cromwell, as his co-Chamberlain; and keeper of the Hanaper of Chancery 1461 till death. He obtained the forfeited lands of Lord Roos and of the Earl of Wilts. in Essex and Suff., Feb. 1462; was administrator of the estates of the late Duke of York, to render his account yearly till the Duke's debts be paid. In June 1462 he was ordered to go with Lord Ogle to Scotland. He did not go, but with Fogge and Scott (*qq.v.*) he was made keeper of the Temporalities of the See of Durham 1462-4; with Tiptoft the Treasurer, Hastings, Fogge and Scott, as joint custodians of all escheats, he supplied the revenues of the Household, Feb. 1463. In addition to all these posts he was on Warwick's Council, 1463, and Chancellor of the Earldom of March. Parlt. exempted him from Acts of Resumption and he was made keeper of the Rolls of Chancery in Ireland, with various manors in Co. Dublin, Sept. 1464. He was one of the King's Council, and in Dec. 1464—with William Say, dean of St. Paul's, Fleming the King's chaplain, Scott, Dynham—all King's Counsellors—he was made receiver of the Clerical subsidy voted in Convocation. Warwick and Colt were at Calais and Boulogne, 9 May to 22 July 1465, and Colt received 20s. daily for his expenses. In Mar. 1466 he was sent to treat with Charles the Bold and with Louis XI.² In Jan. 1467 he was dealing with Philip of Burgundy. If he did not get his expenses he got instead licences to export wool in partnership with merchants of the City of London. Colt and Sir Robert Harcourt, "of our Council", were sent to Louis XI at Rouen in May 1467 to treat for peace.³ On 18 July 1467 Thomas Colt and John Leynton were jointly second Chamberlains of the Exchq., but by 4 Aug. 1467 he was dead; and he must have *d.* in France. In Nov. 1467 the Ashford vicar was directed to pray for the souls of Kyriel, Horne and Colt.⁴ And so Colt, Member of Parliament and Chamberlain of the Exchequer, grandfather of More's wife, was the "great Commoner" of the Yorkist revolution.

COLVILLE, BERNARD (1420-70); of Westbury, lawyer.
bury 1453-4, 1455-6.

M.P. West-

In 1461 Tropenell alleged that Bernard Colville of Westbury, for money, being at that time Clerk of the Court at Trowbridge, admitted John Bourne to the office of constable of Trowbridge, without any authority.⁵ Even then Clerks of the Court were lawyers; and in justice to Colville it must be said that Tropenell's own reputation was not good.

COLYN... see COLLIN

COMBE, JOHN (1400-60); probably of Marlborough; cricketer.
M.P. Marlborough 1433, 1447, 1450-1.

¹ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 38. ² *Foedera*, V. ii. 138-9. ³ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 412.

⁴ In 1476 Sir William Parr and Jane had custody of John s. and h. of Thomas Colt; but in 1475/85 it was Marion and Elyn, das. and "cohs. of Thomas Colt," who sued feoffees for Munden, Herts. (*Early Chan. Proc.* 56/246)—another Thomas Colt.

⁵ *Tropenell Cart.* i. 295.

In 1434 John Combe was sworn to the peace in Wilts. In 1442 precept was issued to distrain upon John Ernle and Jane his wife, and John Combe and his wife, as heirs of John Best for their relief due for their manor of Winterbourne.¹ About 1445, John Combe, bro. of Richard Combe, sued Henry Long (*q.v.*), Richard Woodhill, Richard Hayne (*q.v.*), and Richard Gilbert, feoffees to uses, for the manors of Amesbury, Tidworth, Compton, Devizes, etc. Perhaps he is the same John Combe who was injured in a quarrel, apparently at cricket ("playing at ball with great clubs"), at Quidhampton in 1424.²

COMBER, STEPHEN (1420-80); of Horsham. M.P. Horsham 1450-1, 1467-8.

A number of Horsham parishioners founded a Guild there in Nov. 1457—among them was Stephen Comber. He was an elector for Sussex in 1467 when elected for Horsham, and an elector in Horsham in 1472.

COMBES, THOMAS (1425-1495); of Pulborough, Sussex; of the Exchequer.

M.P. Arundel 1460-1; Bletchingley 1467-8; Steyning 1491-2; (and probably elsewhere).

S. and h. of Richard Combes;³ *m.* (2) 1487 Margaret, widow of Sir John Elrington (*q.v.*) (*d.* 1483), and da. and coh. of Thomas Echingham of Dixter, Sussex.

In 1449 he was directed to press ships and men for the Duke of York's passage to Ireland, and he accounts for the wages, etc.⁴ Pardoned, 20 Feb. 1458, "of London, gent., clerk to John Holme, baron of the Exchequer" (*m.* 24), escheator, Sussex, 1450-9. Granted "le laundership" of Clarendon, Wilts., 1 July 1461, but joined by William Sandes in the grant, 26 Oct. 1462, and Thomas Perkyns instead of Sandes, 1467, 3*d.* a day each and a robe at Xmas, etc. In 1460/5 Thomas son of Richard Combe esq., late of Canterbury, sued feoffees for manors of Southleigh, Combe and Dean, Kent.⁵ On Sussex comns. from 1449 including all those of 1483-4, down to 1490. In 1476 he was exor. of will of Richard Mill who left him £20.⁶ Elector, Sussex, 1472; sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1478-9; J.P. Sussex, 4 Jan. 1481 till death. Pardoned, 26 Feb. 1484, "of Pulbergh, Sussex, esq., *alias* late sheriff." In 1475/80 or 1483/5 Thomas Combe esq. sued feoffees for the manor of Blatchington, Sussex.⁷ A feoffee in Henfield, 1480, and in Pulborough, 1492. In 1485 he sued for Dene and S. Leigh, Kent, as son and heir of Richard son and heir of Richard Combes—judgment by consent.⁸ In 1495/6 the manor of Emley, Sussex, was conveyed by fine to Thomas Combe and Elizabeth his wife and Edward Bartelot and the heirs of Elizabeth,⁹ but this must have been the marriage settlement of a later Thomas Combe.

COMBES (COMBYS), WILLIAM (1395-1452); ald. of London; stock-fishmonger. M.P. London 1447.

S. of Simon Combes by Agnes; *m.* Katrine.

¹ *Wilts Arch. Mag.* ii. 271.

³ *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. 26; xxiii. pp. 150, 153.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/398.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 58/163.

² *ibid.* xxxii. 235.

⁴ *Exchg. Accts.* F.34 H VI. B.

⁶ *Sussex Rec. Soc.* xiv. 161.

⁸ *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. 26. ⁹ *Sussex Rec. Soc.* xxiii. 292.

Called "stockfishmonger", he was a surety in 1430; called "wolman" he was a surety in 1432; and called "felmonger" he was a surety in 1433;¹ had lands etc. in London, worth £6 yearly, in 1436.² Alderman of London, 6 Dec. 1437 till death; auditor 1438-42; sheriff 1441-2. He audited the accounts of the exors. of the will of Sir John Reynwell (*q.v.*), for which service the City leased him in 1447 lands etc. in Calais once held by Reynwell;³ drew up a commercial treaty in Flanders, July 1449; and with the other staplers he lent money to the Crown 1449-50; a London elector 1449 (2) and 1450.

D. c. 12 June 1452.⁴ Will, dat. 5 May, pr. 21 July 1452.⁵

COMBES, WILLIAM (1435-95); of Tavistock. M.P. Tavistock 1467-8; Tavistock and Plympton 1491-2.

Perhaps a son of William Combes of Cholwell in Lamerton by Christine.⁶ In Tavistock Abbey rental, *c.* 1460, William Combes holds two tenements and a messuage for 3s. 8d. In 1471 William Combes and Katherine his wife held a tenement in Tavistock.⁷ He witnessed a lease of Wrixhill (8 m. N.W. of Tavistock) in 1489.⁶

COMBYS see COMBES.

COMER, THOMAS. M.P. Calne 1447.

Undiscovered, but the name of Le Comere occurs in Bristol in 1312, and Thomas the wool-comber was probably a local burgess.

CONGERTON, WILLIAM (1435-90); of Huntingdon, yeoman.⁸ M.P. Huntingdon boro' 1472-5, 1478.

An elector of Huntingdon 1467; pardoned, 11 Mar. 1472; a feoffee in the demise of Slepe and St. Ives to Ramsey Abbey in 1479.⁹

CONSELL see COUNSELL.

CONSTABLE, Sir JOHN (1400-50/1); of Halsham, and of Burton Constable, Yorks. M.P. YORKSHIRE 1439-40, 1445-6.

S. and h. of Sir William Constable of the same, by Elizabeth da. of Sir Thomas Metham; *m.* Margaret (*d.* 1444) widow of Judge William Lodington (*d.* 1420) and da. and coh. of Sir Thomas Umfravill of Holmside, Durham. They had issue Sir John Constable, who died 1472.¹⁰

He was repaid money lent to the King in May 1430; and in Dec. 1432 Sir Geoffrey Hilton complained that John Constable of Hedon, esq., John Constable

¹ *Letter Book K.* 115, 130, 147.

² Lay Subsidy Roll, *cited* Dr. Thrupp.

³ *Jor.* 4, fo. 160d; *Letter Book K.* 322.

⁴ Beaven, *Aldermen of London*, ii. 8, 229.

⁵ To be bur. in St. George's, Eastcheap. To s. George £40. Wife Katrine. Masses for his father Simon and mother Agnes. Exors.:—Katrine, John Walden, grocer, William Hathe, baker, and Robert Valance, citizen (P.C.C., 17 Rous).

⁶ Woolcombe MSS.

⁷ Tavistock Churchwardens' accounts, *per* J. J. Alexander.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1472), 336.

⁹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 145.

¹⁰ *Geneal. N.S.* xx. 177.

of Halsham, esq., and John Constable of Fresmarsh and 140 other malefactors had broken in, and assaulted him and his tenants. John Constable of Halsham esq. was sworn to the peace in Yorks. in May 1434, and kntd. Feb./Nov. 1436. J.P. E. Riding, Nov. 1429 till death; of Beverley from 14 July 1433. Sheriff of Lincs. 1434-5, called "of Halsham"; sheriff of Yorks., 1436-7; on thirty comns. between 1427 and Feb. 1450, mostly array or *oyer et terminer*, and he was exempted for life from being made sheriff of any county in Feb. 1440; the Pardon Roll of 1446 includes John Constable of Halsham, knt. (m.47).

D. 1450/1; Will, dat. 23 Nov. 1449, pr. at York 17 Jan. 1452.¹

CONSTABLE, Sir MARMADUKE (1451²-1518); of Flamborough, called "the little". Knight of the Body 1486-1509. M.P. YORKSHIRE 1495.

S. and h. of Sir Robert Constable M.P. (1423-88) by Agnes (Wentworth); m. (1) Joyce da. of Sir Humphrey Stafford of Grafton, and (2) Margery, widow of Sir John Hilton of Swine, and da. of William, lord FitzHugh.

Special admn. to Lincoln's Inn 1467;² pardoned "of Flamborough" 21 Feb. 1469;³ served in France with Edward IV, 1475; kntd. 1479/80; J.P. East Riding, and of the quorum, 4 July 1479 to 14 May 1483, and 20 Feb. 1491 to 1494, and 5 Nov. 1507 till death; sheriff, Yorks., 1480-1, of Staffs. 1486-7, of Yorks. 1488-9,³ 1493-4, 1509/10. Richard III made him steward of the Honour of Tutbury, hence his shrievalty in Staffordshire. He was pardoned by Henry VII 1485, and, though his brother-in-law, Stafford of Grafton (*q.v.*), was hanged in 1486, Sir Marmaduke was made knt. of the Body and steward of some of the infant Earl of Northumberland's lands, 1488. On his father's death he left Somersby, Lincs. and settled at Flamborough when not at Court.⁴ He probably sat in most of the Parliaments from 1484 onwards for Lincs., Staffs. or Yorks.; for instance he was appointed in Parlt. to appoint comnrs. of subsidy for East Riding 1504.⁵

Henry VIII sent him with Sir Robert Drury, the Speaker, to settle the treaty with Scotland 1509. He captained the Left Wing at Flodden, 9 Sept. 1513, having with him William Percy his son-in-law, William Constable his brother, Sir Robert, Marmaduke and William his sons, and Sir John Constable of Holderness. His brother, two sons and William Percy were kntd. after the battle, and he had a letter of thanks from Henry VIII.⁶

D. 20 Nov. 1518, leaving by his first wife, Sir Robert, Sir Marmaduke, Sir William⁷ and Sir John.

¹ John Constable knt., late of Holderness. To be bur. in the par. ch. of Halsham, under a marble stone. To his da. Matilda, £200 for her marriage. Bequests to his da. Elizabeth St. Quyntyn. His s. John, to be exor. Lands in Halsham, Burton Constable, etc. (*Test Ebor.* ii. 158).

² Pardon Roll, 21 Feb. 1469, Marmaduke Constable of Flamborough, constable of (illeg.) Yorks. (m.7). But it is possible that both this pardon and the admission to Lincoln's Inn may refer to a Marmaduke of an earlier generation. In which case he was born 1455 as his age is given as 31 in 1488 and 40 in 1496; though his epitaph alleges that he was 70 years of age at Flodden Field, *i.e.*, born 1443!

³ He was given, by way of reward for this shrievalty, £340 (Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 393).

⁴ Pardon Roll, 20 Jan. 1492—of Flamborough knt., *alias* late sheriff of ours in Yorks, *alias* s. and h. and exor. of Robert Constable knt., decd., *alias* late of Somersby, Lincs. (m.33).

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 537.

⁶ *Notes and Queries*, iii. ser. II. 208.

⁷ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir M. Constable.

CONSTABLE, Sir ROBERT (1423-88); of Somersby, Lincs., and Flamborough, Yorks. M.P. LINCOLNSHIRE 1459;¹ YORKSHIRE 1478.

Born at Holme on Spalding Moor on Easter day 1423, son and heir of Sir Robert Constable of same (*d.* 1441), by Agnes da. of Sir William Gascoigne C.J.;² *m.* Agnes da. of Sir Roger Wentworth of Nettlestead, M.P. She survived him and *d.* 1496.

Elector, Yorks., 1442, 1447, 1449 (1), 1450; elector, Lincoln city, 1450; on Yorks. comns. from 1444, including the array, Dec. 1459; keeper of Fastolf's lands in Suffolk 1448-53; J.P. East Riding, 16 June 1453 till death; summoned to the Gt. Council for Yorks., Apr. 1455—as a Lancastrian; pardoned by the Yorkists as "of Flamburgh, esq.", 6 Oct. 1455; on Lancastrian comns. till May 1460, but knighted between 25 June 1460 and 10 May 1461 by Yorkists, and on all their comns. likewise. His bro.-in-law Philip Wentworth remained Lancastrian and was attainted.

Sheriff, Yorks., and mayor of York, 1461-2; sheriff, Yorks., 1478-9. J.P. Lindsey, 16 May 1461 to 7 Sept. 1470; steward of all lands in Yorks. and Lincs. forfeited by the Earl of Northumberland and Lord Roos, Aug. 1461;³ had grant of Hessle and Howden for life; pardoned, 18 May 1462.⁴ One of an embassy to Scotland, Apr. 1464, and negotiating the truce with the Scots at Newcastle, Oct. 1466.⁵ Sheriff, Lincs., 1466-7; pardoned 1468, and Feb. 1469, and again 26 Nov. 1471.⁶ The Readeption government put him on comns. and Edward IV pardoned and employed him. He was part-owner of a pirate ship in 1473; elected for Yorks. in Dec. 1477, and on all Richard III's comns. That King apptd. Sir Robert one of those to keep the border, 1484;⁷ and pardoned him as of Flamborough, *alias* of Somerby, Lincs. Sir Robert remained on the Bench through every revolution and was pardoned by the Tudors, 16 Jan. 1486.

D. 23 May 1488; when Marmaduke, aged 31, was his s. and h.; lands—Yorks. and Lincs. He was head of a powerful family. Sons—Sir Marmaduke (*q.v.*), John, Dean of Lincoln, Sir Robert and Sir William. *Das. m.* to Sir Thomas Metham, Sir William Eure, Sir Gervase Clifton (1483), Sir William Tyrwhitt, Sir Ralph Bigod, Sir William Scargyll and Sir Ralph Ryther.⁸

CONSTANTINE, THOMAS. M.P. Liskeard 1447.

Undiscovered. This name seems to have been written in over an erasure in the sheriff's list of those returned, which suggests a nominee from afar. But Constantine is a Cornish surname.

CONVERS, JOHN (1425-71); King's Serjeant-at-Arms 1460-71. M.P. Winchelsea 1453-4.

On 17 Oct. 1460 John Convers esq., for good service in France and Normandy in the wars, was made King's Serjeant-at-Arms in place of Thomas Pope (*q.v.*),

¹ The Christian name is torn off the Return.

² *Geneal. N.S.* xxv. 89.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1461), 86.

⁴ "Of Flamboro' knt., heir of lands of Thomas Cumberwooth, late of Lincs." (*m.* 19).

⁵ *Foedera*, V. ii. 119, 142.

⁶ "Of Flamborough, late sheriff of Yorks., also of Lincs."

⁷ *Foedera*, V. iii. 153.

⁸ *Geneal. N.S.* xx. 128.

with 12*d.* a day out of Beds. and Bucks. ; confirmed by Edward, 16 July 1461, and by Henry, 22 Feb. 1471, and exempted from resumption in 1464 and 1467/8. He was ordered to seize ships in Norfolk and Suffolk for the fleet in June 1463 ; a mainpernor, described as " of London ", for John Wykes, 1466.¹

David Gough was made King's Serjeant-at-Arms, 17 Aug. 1471, and it is not improbable that John Convers fell at Barnet fighting for Warwick.

CONVERS, JOHN (1450-1500) ; of Winchelsea. M.P. Winchelsea 1485-6.

Son of John Convers, M.P. (1425-71). Mayor of Winchelsea 1479,² and apparently also in 1485 when elected.³ In Sept. 1492 he was one of those comsmd. to oversee the ships and wafters for defence of the Cinque Ports, and to levy contributions.

CONY, WALTER (1425-79) ; ald. of Lynn, brewer.⁴ M.P. Lynn 1455-6, and elected 29 Aug. 1461, but did not sit.

Perhaps s. of Walter Cony, alderman of the merchants' guild in 1439, " of an ancient family at Walpole and Westacre ".

He was pardoned, 13 Oct. 1455, while M.P.,⁴ and 20 June 1458 ;⁵ mayor of Lynn 1453, 1460, 1469, 1474, 1476 ; J.P. Lynn, 24 Jan. 1458 to 6 Apr. 1459, and 18 Oct. 1460 (then mayor) till death. He was re-elected M.P. on 29 Aug. 1461, but the Parlt. was postponed and fresh elections were held in many cases. So that on 9 Oct. 1461 Lynn elected Simon Pigot in place of Cony for the Parlt. which was to meet 4 Nov. 1461. Cony was pardoned with the ex-Lancastrians, 7 Apr. 1462.⁶ In Apr. 1464 Cony and Birmingham *alias* Spurrier (*q.v.*) were sent to negotiate a trade agreement with the King of Denmark.⁷ They were paid 10*s.* a day each, but never got beyond Utrecht.⁸ In June 1465 they tried again, and though they failed at Hamburg with the Hanse owing to the absence of an interpreter and of any common language, yet they succeeded in getting a treaty with Denmark,⁹ which was ratified, 20 Nov. 1465.¹⁰ Cony was suing William Barley, M.P. Norwich, for debt in 1467/72,¹¹ and he was an alderman of the guild merchant in 1475.¹²

D. 1479, bur. at St. Margaret's, Lynn, and his exors. were Edmund Westhorp, John Burgage and John Burton.¹³

CONYERS, Sir ROBERT (1410-66) ; of Norfolk, soldier. M.P. NORFOLK 1449-50. Yorkist.

¹ Fine Roll, 6 Edw. IV (m.11).

² *Sussex Arch. Soc.* xxiii. 33.

³ The Larking MS. which show Convers as M.P. in 1485, call him " Magr " which is more likely to be Mayor than Magister.

⁴ As " Cony *alias* Cunnyng, of Lynn, merchant, *alias* brewer " (m.19).

⁵ As " of Lynn, late mayor, late J.P. Lynn, late comnr. of Gaol delivery, and of assesment of the 10th and 15th " (m.19).

⁶ As " of Lynn, merchant, *alias* brewer, *alias* late mayor " (m.21).

⁷ *Foedera*, V. ii. p. 122.

⁸ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 328.

⁹ *ibid.* i. 391.

¹⁰ *Foedera*, V. ii. 134-5.

¹¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 46/356.

¹² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1475), 500.

¹³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 57/197.

Kntd. by 1438, when Richard Poure esq. released his lands in Oxon. and Berks. to Sir Robert Conyers and Elizabeth his wife, late wife of Sir Robert Blaket. The *Paston Letters* call him a Captain in 1451.¹ Conyers witnessed one of the Duke of York's charters in Mar. 1449, and was probably one of his Council. In 1451 he was a feoffee in Norfolk, and in 1456 he and Edmund Wichingham were surviving feoffees of Sir Henry Inglose (*q.v.*).² J.P. Norfolk, 4 July 1461 till death; and on Norfolk comns. 1452 to 1462, but not any Lancastrian ones. In Jan. 1463 Conyers received a letter from the King directing him to wait on the Duke of Suffolk at Norwich so as to be at the election of the Knights of the Shire.³ He occurs in a suit at East Dereham, Norfolk, in June 1464.⁴

He was dead in 1468, and may be presumed to have died 1465/6 judging from his comns. of the Peace.

COOK (COKE), CHRISTOPHER (1430-81); of Devon, lawyer. M.P. Lyme Regis 1467-8.

Pardoned 1 Mar. 1462 "late escheator for Henry VI in Norfolk and Suffolk, *alias* late of London, gent." In 1469 he was a feoffee for John Sackville, in Buckton, Devon.⁵ On Devon comns. from 1472 to 1479; J.P. Devon, 20 June 1471 to 24 Sept. 1474. On 29 Jan. 1474 Christopher Coke of London, gent., and Robert Litelton of London, gent., were mainpernors for Sir John Coleshill (*q.v.*), Richard Pree and Robert Knygston for the keeping of "Lametton" manor, Cornwall (? Lamerton, Devon.).⁶ In 1474 he joined with Tremayle and Thomas Larder in founding a chantry in Porlock, Som., for the souls of the Bonviles and Harringtons. Feoffee for Henry Burnell in Somerset, 1480, and for William Holcombe in Devon,⁷ for John Shelley in Herts., and for Robert Giffard in Devon, where he is stated to be dead in 1487.⁸

D. shortly before 26 Mar. 1481.⁹

COOK, JOHN (1425-95); of Cambridge, skinner. M.P. Cambridge boro' 1450-1.

An elector in Cambridge 1455, 1472—each time called skynner; bailiff 1465; mayor 1473, 1474. In his second year of office Cook was assaulted with a dagger and a pair of shears by William Saman the younger, a shearman, whom the mayor was attempting to arrest. He was J.P. Cambridge 1483; and dead by 1496, when his widow Katherine granted three booths in Sturbridge fair to the Corporation.¹⁰

¹ *Paston Letters*, i. 213.

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 241.

³ *Paston Letters*, ii. 124.

⁴ *Anc. Indicts. of K.B.* 9/311, 120.

⁵ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. p. 53.

⁶ *Fine Roll*, 13 Edw. IV, (m.3).

⁷ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. p. 49.

⁸ *ibid.* i. pp. 92, 112.

⁹ *Fine Roll*, 21 Edw. IV. (m.16); writ *diem clausit extremum* of that date to eschr. Devon.

¹⁰ S. Milner Gray, *Biog. Notes on the Mayors of Cambridge*. p. 19.

COOK (COK), RICHARD (1410-60); of Sandwich; collr. of customs.
M.P. Sandwich 1442, 1450-1, 1455-6.

Perhaps s. of Henry Cook M.P. Sandwich 1429; or of John Cook M.P. for Sandwich 1437.

One of the Barons of the Cinque Ports at the coronation of Queen Margaret, 1445; mayor of Sandwich 1451-2; on comns. there 1452 to 1458; pardoned 1455 and Jan. 1458, as late mayor of Sandwich and collr. of customs, Sandwich (m.23, m.38).

He must have died in or before 1461, because the Pardon Roll of May 1462 includes—John Coppledyke and Jane, his wife, formerly wife of Richard Cok, late collr. of customs in Sandwich (m.30).

COOK (COKE), RICHARD (1445-1507); of Coventry, mercer. M.P.
Coventry 1491-2.

This mercer of Coventry was sheriff there 1479-80, was owed £20 in 1487, and was on a Coventry comn. in 1493; on gaol delivery comns. there 1500-1506.

D. 1507,¹ and Jane Coke, "thridmaker" of Coventry, was pardoned 1509 as his widow and exix.² He must be distinguished from the lawyer of the same name who sat for Derby in this 1491 Parlt.

COOK, RICHARD (1440-1500); lawyer. M.P. Derby boro' 1491-2.

He may be the Richard Cook an attorney in Lincolnshire suits 1470-90; or/and the Richard Cook to whom the Duchy leased in 1486 the passage or ferry over the Mersey at "Lytherpole."³ He is more probably the lawyer who was on gaol delivery at Leicester 1486, and a justice on the Midland circuit 1486-92.⁴

COOK (COK), ROBERT (1430-80); of Sandwich. M.P. Sandwich 1469.

Cf. Henry Cook, M.P. Sandwich 1429, Richard Cook (1415-60) M.P. Sandwich 1442-55 and John Cook M.P. Sandwich 1437.

Apptd. keeper of Sandwich, "the franchises of which have been taken into the King's hands", 9 July 1471. Called "guardian" of Sandwich, when put on a piracy comn., 15 Dec. 1471. Mayor of Sandwich, Dec. 1470 to Dec. 1471, and still called mayor on a comn. of Feb. 1472. In Nov. 1473 the mayor of Rochester was ordered to arrest Robert Cook and that is the last we hear of him.

COOK, THOMAS (1395-1455); of Exeter; lawyer. M.P. Exeter 1417, 1435, 1437, 1439-40, 1442.

Perhaps s. of John Cook, M.P. for Exeter 1422.

Bailiff, 1428; senior bailiff, 1430; mayor of Exeter, 1432, 1435 and 1441. From the pardon of 1437, issued to him while he was in Parlt., it appears that he

¹ Will of Richard Coke of Coventry, mercer, pr. in P.C.C., 1507 (29 Adeane).

² *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 438 (1) m.20, p. 213.

³ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 338.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls, sub annis*.

came from Somerset.¹ On St. Catherine's Day, 29 Henry VI, Thomas Cook, mayor of Exeter, witnessed a Devon deed,² and he was still alive and a comnr. of gaol delivery in 1454.

COOK, Sir THOMAS (1420-1478); of Gidea park, and ald. of London; draper³ and clothier; customer of Southampton;³ King's servant 1461.⁴ M.P. London 1460-1, 1470-1.

S. of Thomas Cook (*d.* 1456/7), draper, warden of London Bridge, 1440-56;⁵ *m.* Elizabeth, da. and coh. of (alderman) Philip Malpas (1395-1469) (*q.v.*), by whom he had four s. and one da., of whom the eldest was Philip (*b.* 1454).⁶

Auditor, 1445-7; pardoned, 8 Nov. 1452;³ sheriff, 1453-4; alderman, 4 Oct. 1456 to 21 Nov. 1468,⁷ 13 Oct. 1470⁸ to June 1471; mayor 1462-3. Cook sympathized with Cade's rising in 1450; but when the Earls approached in June 1460, Cook was apptd. on the deputation to urge them to keep out of the City.⁹ Keeper of Havering-atte-Bower park, Essex, 27 July 1461; kntd. at the Queen's coronation, 26 May 1465; licensed to "enclose, emparke and crenellate Gydihall (Gidea) by Romford, Essex", 12 Oct. 1466;¹⁰ elector, London, May 1467; soon afterwards impeached of High Treason;¹¹ pardoned, 26 July 1468; but discharged from the aldermanry, 21 Nov. 1468;⁷ reinstated during the Readeption, 13 Oct. 1470,⁸ and elected for London to that Parliament. Writing of what he remembered, Fabyan says of him¹² that he "was of the Commons House, a man of great boldness in speech and well-spoken and singularly witted and well-reasoned." This is the first and only reference in contemporary Chronicles of the 15th century to any man as being "of the Commons House", or commenting on his conduct there. Young of Bristol, Cook and More stand out alone as worthy of contemporary mention—antecessors, in the House and in prison, of Eliot and of Cobbett—possibly of Wilkes.

As Edward IV approached London in Apr. 1471 the Parliament vanished; the Mayor of London, Sir John Stockton, fell diplomatically sick, and Cook for a short space became his Deputy. But Cook fled by sea on Edward's arrival, was taken (with his son) by a ship of Flanders, imprisoned, and then delivered to Edward; again imprisoned and removed from the aldermanry, June 1471;¹³ his

¹ Pardon Roll, 27 Mar. 1437, "of Exeter, late of Cliff St. Mary, Som., *alias* of Wassheford, Som." (*m.*28). ² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 439.

³ Pardon Roll, 8 Nov. 1452 (*m.*14).

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Roll* (1461), 27; *ibid.* (1462), 225.

⁵ *Letter Bk. K.*, 248, 315, 376. The *Dict. Nat. Biog.* makes the M.P. s. of Richard Cook of Lavenham, Suffolk, but he is much more likely to have been Richard's grandson.

⁶ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art Sir Thomas Cooke.

⁷ *Jor.* 7, fo. 182. "*Thos. Cook miles exoneratur ab officio suo per mandatum domini Regis*" cited by Miss Winifred Jay.

⁸ *Jor.* 7, fo. 225. ⁹ *Jor.* 6, fo. 238.

¹⁰ *Cal. Chart. Rolls*, vi. 214-5. "Gydihall" is Gidea Hall, which he began to build in 1467; *Dict. Nat. Biog.*

¹¹ Nominally for lending money to Queen Margaret, but really through Wydeville greed. Markham C.J. directed the jury to find only misprision of treason, whereby his life and lands were saved; but he was heavily fined and long imprisoned—indeed, until he had paid £8,000 to the King and £800 to the Queen. Lord Rivers procured the dismissal of Markham.

¹² Fabyan, *Chronicle*, 660.

¹³ His successor Billesden (*q.v.*) was elected alderman of Bread St. Ward, 29 June 1471. Beaven, ii. 14.

wife was pardoned, 20 Dec. 1471, and he also on further payment, 20 July 1472; re-elected alderman, 1472.¹

D. shortly before 4 May 1478,² and buried in the Austin Friars, Bread Street. Will, dat. 15 Apr., pr. 1 June 1478.³ After King Edward's death, the duke of Buckingham used the sufferings of Cook to rouse the London citizens against Queen Elizabeth Wydeville and her offspring.

COOK (COKE), THOMAS (1455-1523); of Salisbury, merchant. M.P. Salisbury 1489-90, 1497, 1504, 1510, 1512-4.

M. by 1482,⁴ Jane, who held land in Wight. On 11 June 1485 three of the Salisbury XXIV were to array the citizens to bear arms for Richard III—viz. William Eston, John Chafyn (*qq.v.*) and Thomas Coke.⁵ Eschr., Hants and Wilts., 1490-2; auditor of Salisbury 1483; mayor 1491, 1510;⁶ supervisor of subsidy for Salisbury, apptd. in Parl. 1497 (in which he sat).⁷ With Henry Whittokesmead he witnessed an indenture, 1500.⁸ He traded with the Baltic,⁹ and was pardoned 1507 and 1509.¹⁰ He was acting for the mayor and commonalty in London, 7 Feb. 1514, while the House was sitting and he M.P.¹¹

D. 9 June 1523, being merchant of Salisbury, when William his son was dead and Thomas his grandson, aged 18, was his heir.¹² Will, dat. 8 May, pr. 25 June 1523.¹³

COOK, WILLIAM (1445-1505); of Greenwich and of Sheen, Surrey; lighter-man.¹⁴ M.P. Lewes 1472-5, 1478.

¹ This is very doubtful. He appears but once, and that 19 Jan. 1472 (*Letter Book L.* fo. 76b.), in any list of aldermen. It may be that he sat as a commoner in Jan. 1472; this did occasionally happen.

² Writs *diem clausit extremum* to eschrs. of Essex, Kent and London (Fine Roll, 18 Edw. IV, m.20).

³ P.C.C., 36 Wattys. Philip is his s. and h.; mentions lands in London, Essex, Surrey, Kent and Cheshire.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1494-1509), 392.

⁵ Benson & Hatcher, *Old and New Sarum*, 207.

⁶ *ibid.*

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 518.

⁸ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare

⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1507), 526.

¹⁰ Pardon Roll, 1509, Thomas Coke of Salisbury, mercer, *alias* merchant, exor., of will of John Doget, clerk, late chancellor of Salisbury cathedral.

¹¹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. p. 1518 (100).

¹² *Geneal. N.S.* xiii. 198.

¹³ To be bur. at St. Thomas Martyr, Salisbury. Bequests to churches at Fisherton, Bedin Rewe, Frompton-on-Severn, Glos. Bequests to children of da. Scolastice. W. Katharine to have fourth part of plate, £40 per annum for life, tenement in Castle Street, Salisbury, which he now inhabited. Lands in Salisbury to Thomas, son of William his s., deceased. Other lands to Thomas Chafyn and Scolastice his w. in Salisbury and Southampton. Lands to Thomas Bartilmew s. of John Bartilmew deceased and Alice late his wife "my daughter." Bequests to children of his bro. Henry Coke, to Maurice Bouchier de Barkeley. To Richard Helston and Alice "my daughter" £10 on condition that they do not vex the executors. Residue to John Stone and Thomas Chafyn merchants—his executors. Supervisor:—John Erney (10 Bodfelde).

¹⁴ William Cook of E. Greenwich, Kent, W. Sheen, Surrey, Stepney, Mdsx. To be bur. in St. Alphege, Greenwich. To eldest s. William "all my lighters with all their apparell and tackling." Katherine his w. residuary legatee and sole exix. (P.C.C., 30 Holgrave).

Eschr., Sussex and Surrey, *c.* 1480.¹ He was one of the comn. apptd. to oversee the protection of the fishermen of the Cinque ports west of the North Foreland in 1487-8; to take sailors and stores for *le Marie Rose* of Calais, Nov. 1496.

D. 1505; will, dat. 24 Mar., pr. 23 Apr. 1505.²

COOKSON, JOHN (1445-1500); of New Shoreham. M.P. Shoreham 1478.

This man witnessed deeds at New Shoreham, 31 Aug. 1478, 1479, 8 Sept. 1488, and 14 Mar. 1496—and on the first two occasions he witnessed as bailiff of Shoreham.³ The bailiff was returned to Parlt. or returned himself.

COPE, WILLIAM (1450-1513); of Banbury, Oxon, esq. Yeoman of the Crown 1485-95; cofferer of Household 1495-1509. M.P. Ludgershall 1491-2.

S. and h. of Alexander Cope of Bramshill, Hants, and Dishenger, N'hants.;⁴ *m.* (1) Barbara da. of George Quarles of Ufford, N'hants., and (2) Jane.⁵

Yeoman of the Crown by Oct. 1485,⁶ exempted from resumption;⁷ feodary of the Duchy of Lancaster in Wilts. and Hants, Jan. 1486; keeper of Worplesdon and Claygate, Surrey, 1486;⁹ surveyor of Upavon, Wilts., as a delegate from the Duchy Council, 1488; Serjeant of the Catery, 26 Mar. 1493;¹⁰ Cofferer of the Household 1495-1507¹¹—and as such obtained the forfeited lands of Sir Simon Montfort, 1498; J.P. Surrey, 8 Dec. 1501 till death; J.P. Oxon., 1502 till death. He was an exor. of the will of Sir Reynold Bray in 1504. His domicile had become Hants. If he sat in the 1504 Parlt. it was for a Hants seat.¹² Constable of Porchester, June 1509; keeper of Bedhampton park, Hants, Oct. 1509; keeper of Guildford and Hanley parks, Surrey, 4 Mar. 1510. He was still cofferer of the Household in May 1507, when he was managing the Feast of St. George at Windsor,¹³ and he probably held the office till the King's death, though at his funeral he is described more generically as Squire of the Body.¹⁴ It may be seen above that if he lost his office under the new King, he retained favour. He was joined by his eldest son Stephen in the bailivy of Warblington and of Bedhampton, Hants, July 1510; and he was joined with William FitzWilliam in the parkership of Guildford and Hanley, July 1511.

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1481), 240.

² See note ¹⁴ on p. 218.

³ *Sussex Arch. Colls.* lxxv. 188-9.

⁴ John Cope was M.P. N'hants. 1397-1406.

⁵ *Visitn. Oxon.* 60, where this Jane is called da. and h. of Sir John Spencer of Hodnell, Warw., by Anne sis. and h. of Sir Richard Empson. John Spencer of Hodnell, the uncle, *d.* 1497, leaving a s. and h. Thomas, *b. c.* 1485. Sir John Spencer, the nephew, first of the Spencers, bought Wormleighton in 1506 from Wm. Coope, and was *b. c.* 1460, so that Jane can hardly have been his da. She was certainly not his heiress; nor did Empson's heiress (*q.v.*) marry a Spencer (J. H. Round, *Peerage Studies*, pp. 286-8).

⁶ With the usual 6d. a day fee (Campbell, *Materials*, i. 84).

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 359.

⁸ Campbell, *Materials*, i. pp. 264, 603.

⁹ Palmer's Index to the Fine Rolls (P.R.O.).

¹⁰ *L. and P. Hen. VIII.* i. 587 (18).

¹¹ *Exchq. Accts.* 414/2, 3, 5, 9, 13; 415/1, 6, 9, 12, 13, 15.

¹² Apptd. by Parlt. one of the comnrs. of subsidy for Southampton, 1504 (*Rot. Parl.* vi. 538).

¹³ *Foedera*, V. iv. 237.

¹⁴ *L. and P. Hen. VIII.* i. p. 15.

D. 7 Apr. 1513; will, dat. 7 Feb., pr. 24 May 1513.¹ His wife Jane survived with sons Stephen, Anthony, William and John, and *d.* 12 Feb. 1525.

COPENDALE, ADAM (1415-60); of Portsmouth. M.P. Portsmouth 1449 (1).

In Mar. 1435 Adam "Copyndale" and ors. were to be arrested for forcibly resisting the commissaries of the Admiral at Portsmouth, Mar. 1435. The same man was on a piracy comn. at Portsmouth, styled "Bailiff of Portsmouth", in 1450, and on a further comn. in 1451.

Of course he may be the same as Adam Copendale the vintner of London, who was pardoned on the roll of 1446 (m.33), but not the Adam Copendale from Beverley, Yorks., who was doctor of laws in 1477.

COPENDALE, EDMUND (1425-90); of Hull and Beverley, stapler or woolman. M.P. Hull 1472-5.

Brother of John Copendale of Beverley and of Dr. Adam Copendale, doctor of laws.²

He had lent money to the Crown by 1449; and had a bequest that year of £100 under the will of Robert Holme of Hull.³ Sheriff, 1453;⁴ pardoned with the Lancastrians, Oct. 1455;⁵ mayor of Hull 1459-60, 1477-8;⁶ elector 1467; pardoned again with Lancastrians, Feb. 1462 and 1468.⁷ Edmund and his wife Jane benefited under the will of his nephew Stephen Copendale in 1485;⁸ and Edmund died 1490. Will, dat. 20 Apr., pr. 20 Oct. 1490.⁹

COPLESTON, JOHN (1395-1458); of Colbrook, esq. Lawyer. M.P. DEVONSHIRE 1421 (Dec.), 1435, 1439-40.

S. and h. of John Copleston (*d.* 1433), by Catherine da. and h. of John Grace; *m.* Elizabeth (*b.* 1414), da. of John¹⁰ and sis. and h. of Nicholas Hawley of Dartmouth.

John Copleston the yr. was apptd. eschr., Devon and Corn., 1418-9; surveyor of the warrens in Devon, and receiver of the Earl of Devon's lands, July 1428,

¹ William Cope esq., to be bur. in par. ch. of Banbury. To w. Jane 500 marks and household stuff at the Barkyll, Banbury, "where I was wonte to dwell." Jane to have revenue of lands till s. Anthony be 26. If Anthony die, then in turn sons William and John, for whom the exors. are to find schooling. S. Stephen to have his houses in London, Essex and Somerset. Other lands to Anthony—Hanwell (near Banbury), Oxon, etc.—with remainder to sons William and John. Exors.:—Gilbert Stoughton, Stephen Coope, John Bustard. Supervisors:—Thomas Langston and Thomas Snodenham (P.C.C., 12 Fetiplace).

² Will of John Copendale of Beverley, 1477, mentions his brothers Master Adam and Edmund. An Adam Copendale was M.P. Beverley 1328; and *cf.* Adam Copendale, M.P. Portsmouth 1449 (1). ³ *Test Ebor.* iii. 282. ⁴ *Ex inf.* A. S. Harvey.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 24 Oct. 1455—of Hull, mercht. or woolman (m.8).

⁶ Sheahan, *Hull*, 296; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1460), 609.

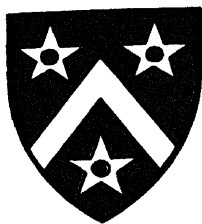
⁷ Pardon Roll, 5 Sept. 1468—mercht. of Hull, *alias* mercht. of the staple of Calais (m.34).

⁸ *Test. Ebor.* iv. pp. 7, 8.

⁹ To be bur. in church of Hull. Wife Jenet, *exix.* (York, 5. 383.)

¹⁰ And this John Hawley was s. of another John, the famous ship captain of Chaucer—all *ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

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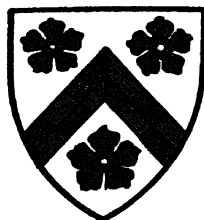
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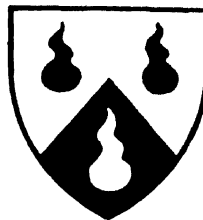
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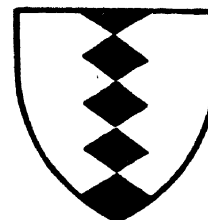
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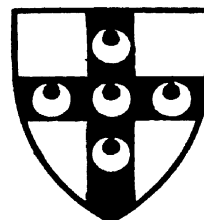
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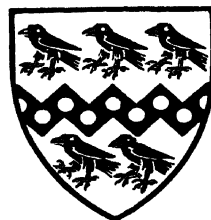
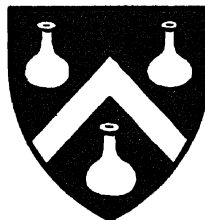
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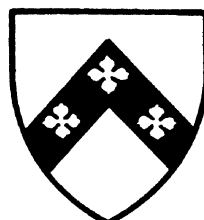
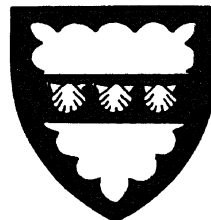
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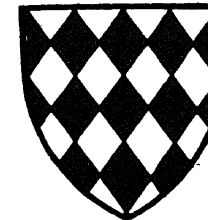
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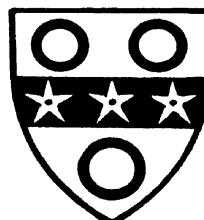
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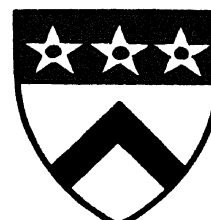
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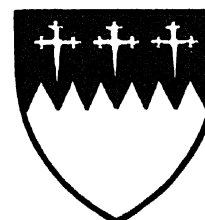
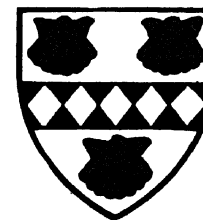
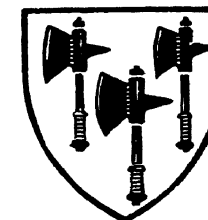
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during the minority of the h., for which he was paid £10.¹ Eschr. again, 1425-6; J.P. Devon, and of the quorum, 20 July 1431 to 26 Nov. 1451, and 15 Dec. 1453 till death; on very many comns. from 1431 to 1454—many are gaol delivery and comns. of *oyer*; sworn to the peace in Devon 1434; elector, 1433, 1437, 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1450 (heading the list), 1453 and 1455. In June 1448, with the Bp. of Exeter and Trevelyan, he founded a guild called "The Brethren of St. Mary of Crediton."

D. late in 1458; will, dat. 18 Oct. 1458, pr. 2 Dec. 1459.²

COPLEY, RICHARD (1472-1511); of West Hampnett, Sussex, mercer of London. M.P. Gatton 1491-2.

Before 1472³ Roger and William Copley, bros. and wool merchants from Doncaster, Yorks., established themselves in London. Roger made a great match, *m.* Anne da. and coh. of Thomas, lord Hoo, and with her he had Roughhay near Horsham, Gatton, and the Maze in Southwark.⁴ Their second s., Richard, was *b. c.* 1472, benefited under the will of his uncle, William Copley of Doncaster, 1490;⁵ was on a jury at Bradford, Yorks., 1494;⁶ and was admt'd. to the Mercers' Co. in London by patrimony 1498. He *m.* Margery da. of John Brocas of Beaurepaire by Basingstoke, by his second w. Anne da. of John Rogers of Frefolk, Hants (*q.v.*).⁷ Richard was one of the London staplers forced to take out a pardon in 1505, and was again pardoned, as were indeed all men, in 1509. This pardon shows him living at West Hampnett with lands also in Norf. and Suff.⁸

D. 1511, for in 1512 his widow had her dower in Gatton and *m.* Michael Denys of Pucklechurch, Glos.⁷ For a hundred years Copleys continued to return themselves and friends for Gatton.

COPPLEDYKE (COPULDIK), JOHN (1415-71); the elder; of Winchelsea, gent.; King's servant. M.P. Winchelsea 1450-1; Sandwich 1461-2.

(Compare Thomas Coppledyke M.P. Sandwich 1383.)

In 1445 John Coppledyke, lieutenant of Crottoy, was ordered to keep the truce with France.⁹ One of the three collectors of customs and subsidy at Chichester in May 1453.¹⁰ King's Bailiff of Winchelsea, at least from 1456¹¹ onwards, and mayor of Sandwich also 1461/2; on comns. concerning Sandwich and Winchelsea

¹ F. Devon, *Issues*, 401.

² To be bur. in St. Catherine's, Colbrook, next to Elizabeth, his w. Lands in Exeter to Philip, his eld. s.; bequests to other sons, John and Walter. Exors.:—Walter Raleigh esq., John Denys of Orleigh, Thomas Dowriss junior, Thomas Copleston, clerk, and Robert Gamboyne (P.C.C., 18 Stockton).

³ Roger was an elector in London in 1472.

⁴ *c.* 1470 John Tymperley (*q.v.*) conveyed Gatton to trustees for Roger Copley and his w. Anne and their heirs (*V.C.H., Surrey*, iii. 198).

⁵ William Copley of London, gent., s. of Richard Copley knt., *alias* of Doncaster, Yorks., was pardoned 1488. For his will, full of genealogical detail, see *Test. Ebor.* iv. 47-50.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1503), 339.

⁷ *Geneal. N.S.* xxxiii. 78.

⁸ Pardon Roll, 28 Jan. 1510, Richard Copley of Westhamptenet, Sussex, of Claxton and Norwich, Norf., of Wyngfeld and Westthorp, Suff., esq. (*L. & P. Hen. VIII.* i. 438 (2) m.29).

⁹ *Foedera*, V. i. 141.

¹⁰ Issue Roll, Hen. VI, No. 807.

¹¹ Rye, Chamberlain's Accounts, i. 54d.

from 1454 onwards. In June 1458 he was pardoned as "of Winchelsea, gent., bailiff, *alias* collector etc., in Chichester" (m.3), and with his wife Jane in May 1462. When Edward IV went north to Towton he ordered John Coppledyke and other officers of the fleet to follow his army to the north, victual him and prevent Queen Margaret escaping to France.¹ The fleet was still evidently in essence a Cinque Ports fleet; and John, bailiff for life of Winchelsea and ex-lieutenant of Crotoy, was the natural admiral. He bore the canopy at the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth 1465; and both he and his son John were exempted from the Acts of Resumption of 1464 and 1467.

He was dead by 24 Aug. 1472 when Thomas Hexstall (*q.v.*) and his wife Jane (late wife of John Coppledyke, late bailiff of Winchelsea) were pardoned (m.20). Jane was widow of Richard Cok (*q.v.*) when she married Coppledyke.

CORBET, Sir RICHARD (1448-92); of Moreton-Corbet. M.P. SALOP (? 1483 Jan.), (unsuccessful candidate 1485);² 1491-2.

S. and h. of Sir Roger Corbet M.P. (1395-1467) by Elizabeth (Hopton); *m.* Elizabeth da. of Walter Devereux, lord Ferrars (*q.v.*); she *rem.* Sir Thomas Leighton (*q.v.*).³

His marriage was granted to Lord Ferrars in 1468;⁴ knthd. 1471/3; J.P. Salop, 20 July 1471 till 12 May 1474, and 23 June 1480 to 30 Nov. 1490; on Salop comms. from the array of Apr. 1471, not the subsidy of 27 Apr. 1483, but on all those of Richard III. He went to France with the King in 1475 with 3 men-at-arms and 20 archers.⁵ An elector, Salop, 1478; contested the Salop election 1485;² served on the expedition to France 1492 with a custrell and page and 4 mounted and 20 unmounted archers;⁶ attended the King at the meeting with Lord Querdes 1492.⁷

D. 6 Dec. 1492, when Robert, aged 16, was his s. and h., which Robert had licence of entry, 10 Dec. 1498.⁸

CORBET, Sir ROGER (1395-1467); of Culseys, now Hinstock, and of Moreton-Corbet. M.P. Shrewsbury 1419,⁹ 1425;⁹ SALOP 1429-30, 1439-40, 1447.

S. of Robert Corbet of Moreton-Corbet (*d.* 1430/7); *m.* Elizabeth da. and eventual h. of Thomas Hopton; she survived him and *rem.* (2) John Tiptoft, earl of Worcester (*d.* 1470), and (3) Sir William Stanley.¹⁰

¹ As "Bailliff of Winchelsea, *alias* collector of customs and subsidy in Chichester, *alias* Cobeldyke, *alias* John Copeldyke and Jane his wife, who was wife of Richard Cok late collector of customs and subsidy in Sandwich and executrix of will of said Richard Cok" (m.30).

² *Intrationum liber excellentissimus*, Pynson (1510), t. 126d-128d.

³ *Visitn. Salop*, 136.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1468), 96.

⁵ *Foedera*, V. iii. 57.

⁶ *ibid.* V. iv. 44.

⁷ Gairdner, *Let. and Pap.* ii. 291.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1498), 175.

⁹ It is doubtful if this Sir Roger was the M.P. in 1419, 1425.

¹⁰ Pardon Roll, 4 Dec. 1471—"Wm. Stanley knth. and Elizabeth his w., late w. of John, earl of Worcester, late w. of Roger Corbet of Moreton, sis. and h. of Walter Hopton esq., deceased."

He lived at Culseys in his father's lifetime;¹ elector, Salop, 1437, 1449 (2), 1450, 1453; pardoned with the Lancastrians, 29 Sept. 1455, and again 1462;² knntd. at the Queen's coronation, 26 May 1465.

D. 4 Oct. 1467, when Richard Corbet (*q.v.*) was his s. and h., aged 19.

CORK, THOMAS (1430-90); of Launceston. M.P. Launceston 1467-8.

Perhaps son of John or Robert Cork of Launceston. He was paid as mayor's steward in 1460 and 1461/2.³ Mayor of Penegilman (? Dunheved) in 1478.⁴

CORNBURGH, AVERY (1430-1487); of Bere-Ferrers, Devon, and of Dover's, Essex, esq.; Yeoman of the Crown and Chamber 1455-74; Squire of the Body and Sea Captain 1474-85; Under-Treasurer of England 1483-7; Keeper of Great Wardrobe 1486-7. M.P. CORNWALL 1463-5, 1467-8; (? a Cornish seat 1472-5); Plymouth 1478, 1483 Jan.; (? a Cornish boro' 1484); Plymouth 1485-6.

M. Beatrice, probably da. and h. of John Brewster and Margaret his wife of Dover's, Essex.

Cornburgh was already yeoman of the Crown when made controller of Mines in Cornwall, 23 Mar. 1455. Pardoned, 20 Jan. 1458, "late of Bere-Ferrers, Devon, yeoman of the Crown, *alias* late of London, *alias* of the King's household" (m.42). The Yorkists secured him his 6d. a day out of Devon, and made this yeoman of the Crown keeper of Launceston, eschr. of the Duchy in Cornwall, and water-bailly of Plymouth, Nov. 1460. Pardoned, 5 Nov. 1461.⁵ He had livery of clothes with 46 others "of the Chamber", and was exempted by Parliament 1461, 1464.⁶ Paston was suspicious of Cornburgh, yeoman of the chamber, in July 1462.⁷ The King "entreats" him in June 1463 to pay out of his own money for buying the *John Evangelist* of Dartmouth and for 100 men for victualling, tackling and manning it for the Navy.⁸ J.P. Cornwall, 6 July 1463 to 10 Dec. 1475; and on Cornish comms. 1461 to Sept. 1483; sheriff, Cornwall 1464-5, 1468-9; elector, Essex, 1467, when returned for Cornwall. J.P. Essex, 23 July 1468 till death, and on Essex comms. from 1472, including all those of 1483-4; sheriff, Essex and Herts., 1472-3, 1477-8; pardoned, 14 Jan. 1471;⁹ and again 10 Dec. 1471.¹⁰ It is possible that he went into exile with King Edward, for Gerard van Wesel writes from Antwerp to "his friend" Cornburgh in London about the Cologne merchants, 22 June 1473.¹¹ Parliament looked after his interests in 1472-5, when

¹ Described as "of Culseys" in the 1429 return.

² Pardon Roll, 1 Nov. 1462—Roger Corbet of Moreton esq., and Elizabeth his w., sis. and h. of Walter Hopton, decd., *alias* holder of lands which were of William Lucy s. and h. of Sir Walter Lucy and Eleanor his w., decd. (m.10).

³ R. and O. B. Peters, *Launceston*, pp. 136, 141.

⁴ *ibid.* 153.

⁵ As "esq." *alias* of St. Elens, London, gent., pledge for John Ormond esq., late farmer of mines in Cornwall and Devon, *alias* yeoman of the Crown, controller of mines in Devon and Cornwall, *alias* yeoman of the Crown to Henry VI" (m.7).

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* v. pp. 474, 535.

⁷ *Paston Letters*, ii. 107.

⁸ Scofield, *Edw. IV*, ii. 412.

⁹ As "late of London, esq., *alias* late feodary or eschr. of the Duchy of Cornwall, late constable of Launceston castle, late parker of Kerybullock and warrener of Clymmysland, *alias* late a tenant of the King's gold and silver mines in Cornwall and Devon."

¹⁰ As "late of London, esq., late sheriff of Cornwall, and keeper of Launceston gaol and controller of mines in Devon and Cornwall."

¹¹ Scofield, *op. cit.* ii. 80.

he probably sat for Cornwall or a Cornish boro'. By 1474 he is called Usher of the Chamber, but when he went to France in 1475 with 2 men-at-arms and 40 archers it was as Sq. of the Body.¹ The Squire and the Archbp. of Armagh mustered the archers for Ireland at Chester 1477. The Squire commanded the *Grace Dieu* with 500 men in the King's fleet to keep the narrow seas, Nov. 1480.²

Richard III continued the Sq. of the Body, and when Vaughan was beheaded, Cornburgh again became controller of tin mines in Devon and Cornwall, 9 Sept. 1483. Pardon, 2 July 1484.³ By Apr. 1485 he had been made Under Treasurer of England,⁴ and was mustering an army in the north. Audley had been Treasurer since 1483; probably Cornburgh's appointment as Under Treasurer dates from the same time, if we may judge from his pardon, 14 Dec. 1485.⁵ He continued Under Treasurer under Henry VII, prospered by the change, for he had 50 marks "reward" in Oct. 1485.⁶ Cornburgh, Under Treasurer of England, and Bray had licence to export lead and tin, 8 Mar. 1486.⁷ Parlt. exempted him, "constable of Restormel and keeper of the fishery of Fowey", etc.⁸ He was made keeper of the Gt. Wardrobe, 27 Sept. 1486, but retained still the post of Under Treasurer—"sub treasurer to Thomas Lovell esq., chancellor of the Exchq.", 19 Nov. 1486.⁹

He was keeper of the Gt. Wardrobe only five months, for he *d.* 2 Feb. 1487, and his widow Beatrice rendered the account of those months. His heirs were—his sis. Agnes Chambre, aged 60, and John Crafford, aged 40, s. of Dame Alice Crafford, his other sis. With his w. Beatrice he had been enfeoffed jointly of Dover's manor, Essex, by John and Margaret Brewster. Will, dat. 1 Feb., pr. 19 Feb. 1487.¹⁰

This permanent official survived every change of govt., every revolution—1455, 1460, 1470, 1471, 1483, 1485—combining practical experience of arms on land and sea, with mining, engineering and accounting, and all with an adaptability beyond the dreams of the vicar of Bray.

CORNISH, JOHN (1425-75); of Lifton, Devon. M.P. Plympton 1453-4.

In 1454 John Skylham and John Cornish of "Lifton," Devon, were pardoned outlawry for not appearing before the justices. He witnessed a Kingswear deed in Dec. 1461; and he had Letters of Protection in 1470.¹¹

He cannot have been the prosperous salter of London whose will was proved in P.C.C. in 1474; but John Cornish who was bailiff of Plympton in 1517 may well be his descendant.

¹ *Foedera*, V. iii. p. 56.

² Scofield, *op. cit.* ii. 303.

³ As "late of London, esq., late keeper of Launceston gaol, late sheriff of Essex and Herts., late of St. Helen's parish, London, gent., late of Dagenham, Essex, late of Goseys, Essex, late of Havering atte Bower." (m.11). ⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1485), 545.

⁵ As "late of Goseys and Doverres, Essex, of Cotmarton, Kent, *alias* Squire of the Body to Edward IV, *alias* J.P., sheriff, etc., *alias* late clerk to Lord Audley, late Treasurer of England." (m.2). ⁶ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 233. ⁷ *ibid.* i. 368.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 344.

⁹ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 100.

¹⁰ To be bur. in St. Edwards at Romford; Beatrice his w. residuary legatee. Exors.:—Sir Reynold Bray, Beatrice his wife, Sir Wm. Hody, Sir Wm. Knyvett, John Crowland, Doctor of Divinity, Richard Bowley esq., and the parson of Abridge (P.C.C., 3 Milles).

¹¹ R. N. Worth, *Cal. of Plymouth Records*.

CORNISH see PUTT, JOHN.

CORNWALL (CORNWAILE), OTES (1425-70); of Hereford, esq.
M.P. Hereford city 1459. Lancastrian.

S. of Sir Edward Cornwall of Burford by Elizabeth Barre; *m.* Katherine, widow of Robert Mattesden and heiress of Brimfield—pardon for marriage without licence, 1459. His s. Thomas succeeded him.¹

Eschr. of Hereford and the Welsh Marches, 1457-8; elector for the county when elected for the city, and called "esq." in the return, 1459. As he was one of the few excepted from the pardon offered by King Edward on 6 Mar. 1461,² he probably fought against the Yorkists at Mortimer's Cross. Pardoned, Dec. 1461, and there was granted to him Brimfield, Heref., pertaining to him by right of his wife Katherine; again pardoned with the ex-officials 29 Apr. 1462;³ mayor of Hereford, 1467-8.⁴

CORNEWAYLES see CORNWALLIS.

CORNWALLIS (CORNEWAYLES), THOMAS (1420-84); of Basildon, Essex, and Brome, Suffolk. M.P. SUFFOLK 1449-50.

Elector, Essex, 1442, and Suffolk, 1447, 1453; never J.P., sheriff, nor escheator. In 1468 he backed Sir John Marney's bill for £800 to pay a fine to the Crown; pardoned 1473, as "of Brome, Bartlesden, and London"; as of Bartlesden esq., he was a feoffee under the will of Sir John Marney in Bucks., 1477. In 1479 he was suing a bargeman of London for the "Crane Wharf Dock" in the Vintry.⁵ Edward IV was not the only one of the governing class to become "something in the city".

D. 26 May 1484, when John, aged 30, was his s. and h.; lands—the manor of Butlers in Basildon, held of Thomas, bishop of London, as a member of Stortford, Essex.

COTBURY, THOMAS; of North Marston, Bucks. M.P. Wycombe 1467-8.

A Bucks. elector, when elected for Wycombe, 1467. He was pardoned outlawry for not appearing "late of North Marston, Bucks.," when sued for debt by the exors. of Richard Andrew, dean of York, 9 Oct. 1481.

COTELER see CUTLER.

COTERELL, THOMAS⁶ (1450-1519); of Washbourne, Devon.⁷ Lawyer.
M.P. DEVONSHIRE 1491-2.

Perhaps s. of Nicholas Coterell, elector in Devon 1449; *m.* by 1484 Alice, widow of John Cheyne of Pynne.⁸

¹ *Visitn. Salop*, p. 141.

² Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 156.

³ As "gent., *alias* of Hereford esq., *alias* late eschr. of Herefordshire" (m.21).

⁴ Price, *Hist. of Hereford*.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 56/34.

⁶ The name is given as "John" on the 1491 list, but should undoubtedly be Thomas.

⁷ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 975.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 66/293.

On a Devon comn., Feb. 1470; elector, Devon, 1478; a feoffee with the Courtenays in Devon 1479 and 1488;¹ J.P. Devon, and of the quorum, 8 Feb. 1487 to 24 Nov. 1509; feoffee for Edward, earl of Devon, 1492, while the Earl was in France. Indeed he was so frequently a feoffee for everyone in Devon that he must have been a lawyer. On a Devon comn. of array 1490, and on riots 1504. In 1504 he was arbitrator between Sir Edward Pomeroy and the mayor and burgesses of Totnes.² Pardoned 1509—of Washbourne, gent., or of London.³

D. 1519/20, seised of Washbourne.⁴

COTERELL, WILLIAM (1440-1500); of London; lawyer. M.P. Downton 1491-2.

Probably related to Thomas Coterell M.P. (1450-1520), but see also the early Coterills M.P. for Wilton.⁵

A juror in Mdsx., 1462, 1464-5; as "of St. Clement Danes, New Temple," he was a mainpernor, Oct. 1465;⁶ contr. of great and petty customs in Dartmouth, Sept. 1485; in 1488 he acquired the marriage and the custody of the lands of Charles Ringwad, decd.

COTES (COTYS), JOHN (1400-60); of Bath, chapman. M.P. Bath 1447.

In 1425 Jane, widow of William Baldington esq., had lic. to marry John Cotys esq. John Cotys of Bath, chapman, was pardoned his outlawry for not appearing in a plea of debt, 1439; in 1454 the name appears in the Household of Henry VI, as groom of the Pantry. One of these references applies certainly to the Member for Bath, but it is highly doubtful if the chapman was previously esq. or afterwards pantler. In this same Parliament Robert Cotys sat for Bridgwater.

COTES (COTYS), ROBERT (1410-80); lawyer. M.P. Bridgwater 1447.

Robert "Cote" was a manucaptor for the Somerset M.P.s in 1449 (1) and 1449 (2); elector in 1450; receiver for Nicholas Latimer, the sheriff of Somerset, in 1455.⁷ From 1460-76 he appears continually as a witness or a juryman or a trustee in Bridgwater deeds and records. Some of these references, however, may be to Robert Cotys junior, presumably his son, who was perhaps Member for Bridgwater in 1455.⁸

¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 443.

² *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

³ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, 438 (3) (m.25).

⁴ *Inq. p.m.* 11 Hen. VIII, Chan. Ser. ii. Vol. 34, No. 8.

⁵ Wills and Inventories of Simon and Anthony Cottrell of Bulford, Wilts., were proved in 1540 and 1558 respectively (*Wilts. Arch. Mag.* xlv. 43).

⁶ Fine Roll, Edw. IV (m.4).

⁷ Bridgwater C. D., 640.

⁸ Although Thomas Lewknor's name appears in the Return, in the Schedule attached thereto the name given is Robert Cotys jun.—1455.

COTES (COTYS), ROBERT, junior. M.P. Bridgwater 1455 ?

Perhaps son of Robert Cotes, M.P. Bridgwater 1447.

Thomas Lewkenor's name appears in the *Return* for 1455, but in the *schedule* attached thereto the name given is Robert Cotes junior.

COTESBROOK (COTTESBROKE), WILLIAM (1390-1445); of London, grocer. M.P. London 1442. Radical.

As "grocer", he was guardian of Robert Odiham, 1420, 1424;¹ he exported uncoketed contraband to Holland in 1438-9. No doubt with that experience he was, in Dec. 1439, apptd. on an embassy to Holland for the obtaining of a treaty. He went on the same errand in July 1444, described as merchant of London.² Auditor of the City 1442-44. At the 1443 election of the City Chamberlain many voted for John Chichele, the Chamberlain of the previous year, whilst many withheld their votes, and the greatest number of the commonalty, with loud voice and uplifted hands, clamoured "Cotisbroke, Cotisbroke"—so they thereupon excluded the greatest number of the commonalty, and the mayor and aldermen decently elected Chichele, 21 Sept. 1443.³ Whereupon the Court of Aldermen charged the radical with taking away the great charter of the city and attacking the rule of the city by mayor and aldermen. This he denied.⁴ And Thomas Canning (*q.v.*) accused him of saying that Catworth (*q.v.*) mayor elect, was not the mayor of those who did not elect him, that those who were excluded from the election might withdraw themselves from obedience to the mayor.⁵ He was never alderman, sheriff, mayor. Like FitzThomas in the 13th century, and John of Northampton in the 14th (*q.v.*), he was in favour of more democratic government in the City.

The absence of any further reference to this popular grocer in the *Letter Books* seems to show that he died about 1445.

COTTESBROKE see COTESBROOK.

COTTING, THOMAS (1400-60); of Rochester. M.P. Rochester 1449-50.

In 1449/53 Isabel late wife of John Cotting of Rochester sued Thomas Cotting, father of said John, and William Smith of Maidstone, Isabel's father, for lands in Rochester and Maidstone.⁶ Thomas Cotyng "of Bapchild, Kent, yeoman", pardoned for Cade's rebellion, can hardly be a correct description of a sitting citizen for Rochester.

COTTON, WILLIAM (1410-55); of Lanwade esq.; lawyer. Keeper of the Great Wardrobe 1451-3. M.P. CAMBRIDGESHIRE 1439-40, 1447, 1453-4.

S. and h. of Walter Cotton of Ixning, Suffolk, mercer of London (*d.* 1439), by Jane da. of Sir Robert Rede of co. Oxford. *M.*, by 1436,⁷ Alice (*d.* 1473) da. and h. of John Abbot, mercer of London.⁸

¹ *Letter Book K.* 29; *do. Book. I.* 252.

² *Foedera*, V. 1. pp. 67, 136.

³ *Letter Book K.* 287.

⁴ *Jor.* 4, fo. 10.

⁵ *Jor.* 4, fo. 10b.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 19/39.

⁷ Exning, Suff., was settled Nov. 1436 on Walter Cotton for life, reversion to William and Alice his wife.

⁸ Pardon Roll, 5 Oct. 1455.

J.P. Cambs., and of the quorum, 9 Mar. 1439 till death; J.P. Cambridge boro', 3 Feb. 1440 till death; J.P. Hunts., 13 Apr. 1446 till death; on Cambs. comns., 1442 to 1445; Cambs. elector 1442. But his chief duties were those of the Household. For a few months during the 1439-40 Parlt. he had the keepership of Lenton Priory. At the coronation of Queen Margaret, William Cotton acted at the Great Wardrobe. He is described as King's Serjeant in 1446, as Clerk of the Wardrobe in 1447, as Usher of the Chamber in 1448 and 1450. Cotton succeeded Sir Thomas Tuddenham (*q.v.*) as clerk of the Great Wardrobe in 1451 and he accounts from 1451 to 1453.¹ These dual rôles are stressed if not explained by his pardon of 1446 where he is described as "esq., of Landewade, Cambs., and Ixning, Suffolk, *alias* exor. of Walter Cotton, citizen and mercer of London".

His pension as usher was annulled by Parlt. in 1450, but in Feb. 1452 robes and wages were granted to him for life in lieu of the grant annulled in 1450. When pardoned in 1452 he is called "Receiver-General of the Duchy of Lancaster". He was exempted from all office against his will in Dec. 1452, and in June 1453 he surrendered the clerkship of the Gt. Wardrobe, which was transferred to Henry Fillongley. In Apr. 1454 he appears as a feoffee of land in Essex, and had the use of Newhall, Essex, for life.²

He was killed at St. Albans 22 May 1455, fighting on the Lancastrian side, described as of Canington (? Conington), Hunts., Receiver of the Duchy of Lancaster.³ Thomas, aged 17, was his s. and h. Will, dat. 20 Oct. 1450, pr. 2 Aug. 1455.⁴

COTYS see COTES.

COUDOROWE see COWDREY.

COUNCEL, HENRY. M.P. Old Sarum 1478.

He was made controller of great and petty customs in Poole, Aug. 1470.

COUNSELL (CONSELL), NICHOLAS (1410-80); of Guildford; lawyer. M.P. Guildford 1442.

He witnessed in Jan. 1434 a quit-claim by Robert Mulle of Guildford concerning Worplesdon, Surrey;⁵ paid $\frac{1}{2}$ mark for a writ in Notts., 1444.⁶ Elector, Surrey, 1453, and in Guildford, 1472. Notary public and proctor of Chertsey Abbey, 1465.⁷

D. c. 1480, for Henry Norbregge—? Norbury (*q.v.*)—was exor. of will of Nicholas Counsell of Surrey in 1481.⁸

COUPER see COWPER.

¹ Exchq. Accts., Wardrobe; Issue Rolls, *passim*.

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 109. ³ Stow's *Chronicles*, 390.

⁴ William Cotton, esq., of Lanwade, Cambs., and Ixning, Suffolk, of London and Enfield, Mdsx.; to be bur. where he dies. Bequests to s. Thomas and w. Alice. Exors.:—Thomas Radcliffe, William Nanseglos and John Sheldon (P.C.C., 5 Stokton).

⁵ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1434), 303.

⁶ Fine Roll, 22 Hen. VI (m.16.)

⁷ *Surrey Rec. Soc.*, Chertsey Cartularies, 104.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 62/281.

COURTENAY, Sir HUGH (1420-71); of Boconnoc; shipowner and pirate.
M.P. CORNWALL 1447, 1449-50.

S. and h. of Sir Hugh Courtenay (*d.* 1425) of the same (yr. bro. of Edward Courtenay, earl of Devon, 1357-1419), by Maud, da. of Sir Thomas Beaumont of Shirwell, Devon; *m.* Margaret, da. and h. of Thomas Carminow.¹

Kntd. 1444/7; on Devon and Cornwall comns. 1444 till death, mostly Lancastrian. He took part with the Earl of Devon in his private warfare against Lord Bonville in 1457. A comn. was apptd. to enquire into piracies committed by *Le Peter Courtenay*, whereof Hugh Courtenay knt. was owner and victualler, Feb. 1460. When the Yorkists won at Northampton, Courtenay was one of those whose arrest was ordered; and in July 1461 there were further complaints of his piracy. Trouble with Brittany came to a head over an attack on a Breton ship in 1461 by a caravel belonging to Sir Hugh,² and a comn. was issued for his arrest; yet he was still engaged in the same trade in 1465, and he was put on the Devon bench, 12 July 1468 to 15 Feb. 1470. His arrest was ordered with that of the other followers of Clarence and Warwick, 25 Apr. 1470. Naturally the Readeption govt. put him back on the bench—for Devon and for Cornwall also. He may have sat in the 1470-1 Parlt.; in Apr. he joined Queen Margaret at Exeter,³ and went on with her to Tewkesbury.

He was proclaimed a rebel by Edward, 27 Apr. 1471;⁴ fought at Tewkesbury, where he was taken; tried before the Dukes of Gloucester and Norfolk, and, with Clifton, Langstrother, Delves and Tresham, beheaded, 6 May 1471.

COURTENAY, JOHN (1445-1500); of Exminster and Kenn, esq. Squire of the Chamber or Body 1475-85. M.P. DEVONSHIRE 1478.

Seventh s. of Sir Philip Courtenay of Powderham M.P. (1404-63) by Elizabeth (Hungerford) and bro. of Sir William and Sir Philip (*qq.v.*).

He fought on the winning side at Tewkesbury and was made porter of Calais,⁵ with a grant of the manors of Exminster and Kenn, Devon; exempted from resumption, 1473;⁶ followed the King to France, 1475, as a squire of the chamber of the Household with twenty archers;⁷ M.P. 1478; remained in the service of Richard III with a pension of 40 marks;⁸ on Devon comns., array 1484 to *oyer* 1497.

It is not clear when he died. He is easily confounded with John (*b.* 1467), s. of his bro. Sir Philip. This John *d.* 6 Apr. 1509, when Philip, aged 12, was his s. and h.; lands—Devon and Somerset.⁹ Will, dat. 22 Mar., pr. 3 July 1509.¹⁰

COURTENAY, Sir PHILIP (1404-63); of Powderham, shipowner; King's knight 1439-45; Forester of Dartmoor 1446-56. M.P. DEVONSHIRE 1455-6.

S. of Sir John and g.s. and h. of Sir Philip Courtenay of the same, M.P. (*d.* 1406).¹¹ He was probably kntd. by the duke of Bedford when he kntd. the

¹ *Comp. Peer.* iv. 328; *Genealogists Magazine*, Dec. 1934. ² Scofield, *Ed. IV*, i. 373.

³ *Arrival*, p. 23. ⁴ *Foedera*, V. iii. p. 1. ⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 291.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. pp. 83, 95. ⁷ *Foedera*, V. iii. 57. ⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 428.

⁹ *Inq. p.m.* 1 Hen. VIII, No. 29; 3 Hen. VIII, No. 34.

¹⁰ To be bur. at Botreaux, *i.e.* Molland-Botreaux. Jane his w. residuary legatee and sole exix. (P.C.C., 15 Bennett). ¹¹ *Geneal. N.S.* xix. p. 111.

King at Whitsuntide 1426; and c. 1426 Sir Philip *m.* Elizabeth da. of Walter, lord Hungerford, by whom he had Sir William (M.P.), *b.* 1427, and Sir Philip (M.P.), Peter, bp. of Exeter, Sir Walter (M.P.), Edmund, Humphrey, and John (M.P.), also four das.

He was certainly a knt. in Feb. 1431.¹ J.P. Devon, 20 July 1431 till death; J.P. Cornwall also; on fifty comns. in Devon 1437 till death—all the Lancastrian and later all the Yorkist ones. In 1436 he was a feoffee of the will of John Cheyne esq. in all his lands in Som. and Wilts.² In Mar. 1439 the King's knt., Philip Courtenay, was granted a pension of £40 a year out of Minehead during Luttrell's minority.

Courtenay and Bonville, the rivals, were together comsnd. to command a fleet to repress pirates, 2 May 1440. It is clear that later in the year Courtenay at least had Dartmouth as the headquarters of his private fleet.³ In 1442 the orders for the safe-keeping of the seas include—at Dartmouth Sir Philip's great ship, also one barge and one balinger of Sir Philip's.⁴ In Jan. 1445 he obtained licence for his ship *Trinity Courtenay* (John Godying, master) to take pilgrims to St. James in Galicia.⁵ He was on the 1446 Pardon Roll (m.43), and in Nov. accused of taking goods and ships of Spain, and bringing them to Dartmouth. They are to be sold and the Spaniards refunded. In Aug. 1446, Sir Philip and Sir Edmund Hungerford were made jointly foresters of Dartmoor. They were both excused arrears in Feb. 1453, and in 1456 Sir Philip accounted alone for the forest.⁶ In Feb. 1452, Sir Philip, with Bonville and Dynham, was ordered to go against the rebels in the west. In Apr. 1455 he and Vere were both sumnd. from Devon to the Gt. Council and both were elected together for Devon in June 1455. In Dec. 1455 he was one of those comsnd. to go with the duke of York against rioters in Devon.⁷ He was pardoned as "of Powderham", 20 Jan. 1458 (m. 33), and remained favoured or feared by both sides.

D. 16 Dec. 1463, when William, aged 35, was his s. and h. Lands—Som., Devon, Corn.

COURTENAY, Sir PHILIP (1430–89); of Kingston and Molland. Of Clarence's Council 1470–8; knight of the Body 1484–5. M.P. DEVONSHIRE (1470–1 ?), 1472–5, 1484, (1485–6 or 1487).⁸

Second s. of Sir Philip Courtenay of Powderham, M.P. (1404–63) by Elizabeth (Hungerford) from whom he inherited Molland, and bro. of Sir William and of John (*qq.v.*). *M.* c. 1459 the widow of William Henston of Wonwell, M.P. (1405–58); she *d.* 1482.

On Devon comns. from June 1461 onwards, but ordered to be arrested as rebel with Clarence and Warwick, Apr. 1470; and Clarence got him on the comns. of Oct. and made sheriff 6 Nov. 1470. Probably he sat in the Readeption Parlt.; with Clarence he rejoined King Edward outside Coventry; presumably fought at Barnet

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 108.

² *ibid.* vi. p. 341.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1441).

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* v. 59.

⁵ *Foedera*, V. i. 139.

⁶ *Emr. Accts. F.*, 33 Hen. VI. 1.

⁷ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 241.

⁸ When Courtenay and Huddlesfield are referred to as knts. in the last Parlt. (*Hist. MSS. Comm.* 9th Report, i. 2726), it would seem more natural that it should have been in 1484—the last Parlt. but one.

and was a knt. by 26 Apr. 1471;¹ pardoned Dec. 1471;² J.P. Devon, 20 June 1471-8, and 28 June 1483 to Aug. 1485. He fell with Clarence whose trustee he was, 1478; restored by Richard III, who made him knt. of the Body and granted him a pension of £40 a year out of Cornwall.³ He was on all the Richardian comns.,⁴ but on none after Bosworth Field.

D. 7 Dec. 1489 when John, aged 22, was his s. and h., being seised of Molland-Botreaux, Devon.⁵

COURTENAY, Sir WALTER (1440-1504); of Exeter; King's servant.
M.P. DEVONSHIRE 1495.

Probably fourth s. of Sir Philip (*q.v.*), of Powderham by Elizabeth (Hungerford); *m.* (1) by 1465 Jane widow of Thomas Talbot;⁶ (2) by 1493 Anne da. and coh. of Walter Colbrook.⁷ To be arrested with his bros. as a follower of Clarence, Apr. 1470; pardoned Nov. 1471; eschr., Corn., *c.* 1472-3, and pardoned as such, 1474; probably kntd. at Bosworth; afterwards he was called "King's servant" and was made forester of Dartmoor, 1485, with a £40 pension out of the customs of Exeter and Dartmouth 1486;⁸ M.P. 1495; comnr. of *oyer* 1497; J.P. Corn. and Devon, 4 Dec. 1502 to 28 Dec. 1504.

From his J.P.ships we may suppose that he *d.* in 1504.

COURTENAY, Sir WILLIAM (1428-85); of East Coker, Somerset, and of Yelton and Powderham, Devon. M.P. SOMERSETSHIRE 1455-6.

S. and h. of Sir Philip Courtenay of the same, M.P. (1404-63) by Elizabeth da. of Walter, lord Hungerford⁹—his bros. Philip, Walter and John were also M.P.s; Sir William *m.* Margaret da. of William, lord Bonville, which alliance must have interfered with his prosecution of the wars between Bonville and the Courtenay earls of Devon. Sons William, Philip, Peter, James, and das. Margaret *m.* Thomas Rogers (*q.v.*) and Jane *m.* Sir Walter Carew.¹⁰

On a Wilts. comn. 1450; elected for Som. in 1455, while his father sat for Devon; so that presumably he lived at East Coker, Som., during his father's lifetime. Pardoned, 20 Jan. 1458, "of Coker, Som., esq." (m.38). He must have been Yorkist at this time for he was on Som. comns. in Dec. 1460, Aug. 1461, and 1462; kntd. 11 May 1462/15 Feb. 1464; J.P. Som., 18 July 1461 to 1470; J.P. Devon, 15 Feb. 1464 to 15 Apr. 1470, 30 Nov. 1470 to 24 Sept. 1474, and 18 Feb. 1480 till death; an apportioner of the subsidy in Som. in 1463.¹¹ He sat on all the Devon comns. from 1469 onwards, including those of the Readeption

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), p. 284; Shaw says after Tewkesbury. It seems quite possible that Clarence kntd. him during the Readeption and Edw. IV re-kntd. him after Tewkesbury.

² Pardon Roll, 26 Nov. 1471—of Wonewell, Devon, late of Kingston, Devon.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), p. 428.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 25 Feb. 1484—"of Kingston, Devon, *alias* of Exeter, *alias* of Merewode and Lewest, Devon, *alias* of Botreaux Molland" (m.10).

⁵ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. no. 461.

⁶ He and Jane were suing in 1465 for land in Botus-Fleming, Corn. (*Early Chan. Proc.* 27/230).

⁷ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiv. 181, xxv. 164.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1486), 65.

⁹ *Comp. Peer.* iv. p. 335; Vivian, *Cornwall*, 108.

¹⁰ *Som. Rec. Soc.* xxvii. 50.

¹¹ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

and of Richard III ; heads the list of Devon electors in 1467 and 1478 ; pardoned 22 July 1468, as " of Yelton knt., late of Estkoker, Som." (m.24) ; to be arrested and brought before the Council, 16 Mar. 1470, when removed from the bench. Then all the surviving Courtenays were denounced as rebels with Clarence and Warwick. He served the Readeption govt., crossed or double-crossed with Clarence and evaded Tewkesbury. Indeed he was one of the ten knights who swore allegiance to the infant Prince of Wales, 18 July 1471,¹ and he got his pardon enrolled, 26 Nov. 1471 " of Yelton, Devon, knt., late of Wulston, Devon." Sheriff, Devon, 1482-3. He was King's servant to Richard III with an annuity of £20 ; and pardoned May 1484, as " of Powderham, knt., *alias* of Ilton, Devon, *alias* of Exeter, *alias* late sheriff " (m.16).

D. between Feb. and Sept. 1485, probably not at Bosworth, and on 20 Sept. 1485 his s. and h., Sir William Courtenay, had licence to enter on his lands without proof of age.²

COWDREY (COUDOROWE), NICHOLAS (1415-83) ; of Morvale, Corn., and Tilbury, Essex. M.P. Lostwithiel 1442.

Controller of the customs at Plymouth, Dec. 1439 ; on an Essex comn., 1452 ; an elector, Essex, (written " Condder ") 1455 ; pardoned, 18 Nov. 1452, as of West Tilbury, Essex (m.9). He was trespassed against in Essex in 1463, and a feoffee of East Tilbury.³

D. 1483 ; will, dat. 16 Dec. 1483, pr. 3 Feb. 1484.⁴

COWPER (COUPER), THOMAS (1430-86/7) ; of Romney. M.P. Romney 1463-5, 1470-1.

In 1450/1 Stoughton, fishmonger of London, sued Thomas Couper as owner of a balinge of England for seizing in the Thames a ship of Flanders loaded with salt fish for the King's household.⁵ In 1469 Romney paid Cowper for going to Appledore about the harbour, and next year Edward IV paid John Cheyne, Cowper, and others " employed in the voyage of the earl of Warwick " that year,⁶ though why or when or where he " voyaged " whether by sea or land is a mystery. In 1475/83 Thomas Cowper and Marion his w. sued for debt in Kent.⁷

D. 1486/7 ; will, dat. 12 Sept. 1486, pr. in Canterbury Prob. Reg., 1 May 1487.⁸

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 234.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1485), p. 9, 173.

³ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 1161.

⁴ To be bur. at Crossed (? Crutched) Friars, nr. Tower of London, beside Elizabeth, late his w. Bequest to repair ch. at West Tilbury, Essex ; bequests to children of John Coudorowe the elder. Lands in Corn. to his bro., Thomas Coudorow, clerk ; and goods at West Tilbury to John Coudorow the elder. Bequests to churches at Morvale, Lostwithiel, and to nephew John Coudorow at Tresewe, Corn.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 19/471.

⁶ *Hist. MSS. Comm. Romney*, v. pp. 545.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 52/140.

⁸ To be bur. in St. Laurence's, Romney, "*juxta amatam meam*." To Alice w. 20 marks, etc. ; to the fraternity of the B.V.M. in St. Laurence's, a purple belt adorned with silver ; to bro. Stephen, his best gown ; Residue to exors. :—Robert Sefforthe, vicar, and Thos. Usbury, for his soul.

COWPER, WILLIAM (1460-1520); of Derby. M.P. Derby boro' 1491-2.

William Couper was party to a bond for £10 at Derby 1494;¹ he held land at Newark, Notts. (if the same man), 1508.² The Derby M.P. cannot be the King's servant of Ockham, Surrey, 1484, nor the yeoman of the Pantry 1520-6.

COX (COKKYS), ADAM; probably of Totnes. M.P. Totnes 1449 (1).

No reference to him in the Patent Rolls.

In the Totnes Records³ it is stated that Adam Cokkys and John Pralle were returned for Totnes to this Parlt. by indenture, dat. 30 Jan. 1449. The precept of the sheriff was sent from Exeter on the 28 Jan., and that is the election date for Totnes given in the *Official Return*. It is just possible that the names were chosen at the County Court at Exeter and sent down to Totnes for confirmation. It is more probable that the election date given in the sheriff's returns for these smaller boroughs is that of the mandate to elect. In the Indenture both Cox and Pralle are described as "Citizens of Totnes"; which however may be mere common form.

CRACKENTHORPE, JOHN (1420-66); of Holgill,⁴ lawyer. M.P. WESTMORLAND 1453-4. Lancastrian.

S. of Robert Crackenthorpe, elector, Westmorland, 1429, 1442, 1449 (1).

A Crackenthorpe was admitted to Lincoln's Inn in 1439, and John Crackenthorpe "the second" was admitted 1441/2. Escheator, Cumbd. and Westd., 1444-5; J.P. Westd., and of the quorum, Dec. 1457. Stow will have it that John, as well as Thomas Crackenthorpe, was killed at Towton,⁵ from which we may at least determine their party. But "John Crackenthorpe esq. of Holgill, Westd., s. and h. of Robert Crackenthorpe of Holgill" was pardoned, 12 Feb. 1469 (m.10) and John Crackenthorpe of Newbigging, Westd., esq., was pardoned, 20 June 1469 (m.2); and there cannot have been many more. The Newbiggin John was born 1442 and his father John *d.* 1466.

CRACKENTHORPE, THOMAS (1415-61); of Cockermouth, Cumbd. M.P. CUMBERLAND 1450-1; WESTMORLAND 1455-6. Lancastrian.

Yr. s. of John Crackenthorpe M.P. (*d.* 1435); *m.* Margaret (1408-58), widow of Christopher Moresby (*d.* 1442) and da. and coh. of Sir Piers Tilliol.⁶

Sheriff, Cumbd. 1448-9; eschr. of Cumbd. 1449-50; was granted the marriages of the co-heiresses of Robert Halclough deceased, 1455; pardoned 4 Feb. 1458, as "of Cockermouth, late sheriff, *alias* of Beverley, *alias* eschr." (m.31).

He was slain at Towton, 29 Mar. 1461.⁵

CRAFFORDE see CRAYFORD.

¹ Jeayes, *Derbys. Charters*, 999.

³ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

⁵ Stow, *Chronicle*, 415.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1508), 567.

⁴ Called of Holgill on the Return.

⁶ *Ancestor*, iv. pp. 98-100.

CRATHORNE, THOMAS (1400-50); of York, merchant.¹ M.P. York city 1447.

Perhaps son of John Crathorne of Crathorne, Yorks., gent., who was pardoned in 1434; *m.* Katherine.²

Made free of York city, 1422; chamberlain, 1440; entered the Guild 1440;³ sheriff, 1441; exor. of the will of ald. Thomas Kirkham, Nov. 1443; on comms. in Yorks., 1442 and 1443; mayor, 1445. A licence was given to Thomas Crathorne and others to found a guild of St. Martin at York, Apr. 1446; master of the Merchants' Guild, 1436-41;² a Yorks. elector, 1449 (1) and 1449 (2). It was William Crathorne who was an elector in 1450 and 1453, so that Thomas may be presumed to be dead.

CRAYFORD (CRAFFORDE), JOHN (1450-1507); of Sandwich; yeoman of Crown 1478-83; customer. M.P. Sandwich 1478, 1483 (June).

Though always spelt Crafforde the name should be Crayford, *cf.* Crayford's at Mongeham by Dover.³ Eschr., Kent and Mdsx., 1475-6; elected for Sandwich, 23 Dec. 1477;⁴ by June 1478 he was a yeoman of the Crown, when he received the annuity paid by Louis XI to King Edward, receiving it no doubt at Sandwich;⁵ again elected, 6 June 1483,⁴ and present at Richard III's coronation. He was bonded to Nicholas Bodyn, haberdasher of London but a Cinque Port man, in 1480/3.⁶ Mayor or bailiff of Sandwich 1481, 1486-94;⁷ also customer of Sandwich.⁸ Thomas Bulkeley and John Crafford had lent King Henry 100 marks 1485/6,⁹ and on 6 June 1486 William Frost and Crafford were made jointly King's bailiffs of Sandwich.¹⁰ The King's servant James Isaac took Frost's place as joint bailiff in 1489, and James Braybroke replaced both of them in 1494.¹¹ John Crafford esq. was a feoffee of Shorn, Kent, in 1505, but he was probably dead by 1509 as he appears nowhere in the Pardon Rolls of that date. He *m.* a da. and h. of Edward Wood of London and left a s. and h. John who *m.* Margaret Crispe of Thanet.¹²

CREMER (CRIMOUR), THOMAS (1460-1526); of London, draper. M.P. London 1504.

His parents were buried at Lecton, Norf.

His nomination as alderman was rejected, 1499. As "of London, draper", he was pardoned (together with George Monoux), 1508; pardoned again, 1509/10, as "of London, draper, *alias* merchant, *alias* executor of Sir John Fynkel, Knt. (*q.v.*), late alderman of London".¹³ A tenement in Mark Lane, London, was granted in 1511 to William Crane, gent. of the chapel, and Thomas Cremer of

¹ So described when exor. of the ald. in 1443.

² *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

³ Sandwich Records, *per* Miss E. Scroggs.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 63/190.

⁵ On 27 Aug. 1485 John "Grefford" and Roger Appleton (*q.v.*) paid to Sir John Guildford £51, being customers of Sandwich (Campbell, *Materials*, i. 322).

⁶ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 399.

⁷ *ibid.* (1494), 469.

⁸ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 438, 4 m.8.

⁹ *Hasted, Kent*, ix. 575.

¹⁰ *Foedera*, v. iii. 85.

¹¹ Boys, *Sandwich*, i. 414.

¹² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1486), 93.

¹³ *Visitn. Kent*, 1619, p. 35.

London, draper; and he owed the King £60 in 1515.¹ Keeper of the Selde of Blackwellhall (a City cloth-market) 1515-26;² helped with the victualling of the Emperor's retinue, 1522.³

D. 1526; will, as cit. and draper of London, dat. 15 Sept., pr. 7 Oct. 1526.⁴

CRESSET, HUGH (1400-48); of Upton esq. On Duke of Exeter's Council.⁵ M.P. SALOP 1437, 1447.

S. of Thomas Cresset by Florence his wife.⁶

In 1431 Hugh Cresset held Upton of John Maltravers for half a knight's fee; eschr., Salop, 1427-8; sworn to the peace in Salop, 1434; sheriff, 1434-5, 1445-6; pardoned as "of Upton, Salop, esq." in July 1437 and 28 Feb. 1446; eschr. of Notts. and Derbys., 1442-3; on Salop comms., 1433 to 1442; elector, Salop, 1442. In 1449 (1) his son, Robert, was elector.

Presumably he *d.* about 1448, being succeeded by his son, Robert, who was sheriff of Salop in 1468-9 and a lawyer.

CRESSY, Sir JOHN (1407-45); of Wheathampstead, Herts., and of Dodford, N'hants.; King's knt.; soldier. M.P. HERTFORDSHIRE 1439-40.

B. 25 Mar. 1407, bro. and h. of Thomas Cressy, s. and h. of John Cressy of the same⁷ (*d.* 1414), by Christine, da. of William Wilde; *m.* Constance (*d.* 1486), da. of Reynold, lord Grey of Ruthyn.

He was probably a royal servt. by 1429 when commissioned to provide carriage for the poultry of the Household; and in Nov. 1429 John Cressy of Dodford, N'hants., was retained for life in the service of Lord Roos. Kntd. 1431/2.⁸ His men-at-arms and archers for France were mustered at Winchelsea on 26 June 1435, and the company of John Cressy, King's Knight, was in France on 16 July. In Dec. 1435 he was commissioned to muster, at Crottoy, the troops which were going there with Walter Cressoner, captain of Crottoy. Pardoned, 1437,⁹ probably when back in England; J.P. Herts., 28 Nov. 1439 (while M.P.) till death.

D. 4 Mar. 1445,¹⁰ when John, aged 3, was his s. and h.¹¹

¹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, ii. p. 1364.

² *Jor.* 11, fo. 220b; *Rep.* 7, fo. 132.

³ *Rep.* 4, fo. 119b; 5, fo. 292b.

⁴ To be bur. in the chapel of Our Lady beside the Guildhall. Half his estate to his w. Kateryn. Bequests to vicars of St. Dunstan-in-the-East, and of St. Michael's, Crooked Lane, for tithes forgotten; to psh. ch. of Lecton, Norf. where his parents are buried. Wife, sole executrix. Overseers, "my gostely fader Wm. Bowry, prior of the Crossed Friars of London, and Edmund Haslock, cit. and corveysor of London" (P.C.C., 11 Porch).

⁵ *Incerto tempore*. John Wynnesbury and Hugh Cressette, men of the Duke of Exeter's council, were sued by the Duke for 20 marks paid to them by misdoers of the March of Wales (*Early Chan. Proc.* 71/102).

⁶ *Salop Arch. Trans.* ix. 404.

⁷ *Geneal. N.S.* xix. 25.

⁸ Not yet knt. when witnessing a Lincs. deed, 16 May 1431 (*Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 126).

⁹ Pardon Roll, 1437—"of Dodford, N'hants., Knt." (m.9).

¹⁰ His exors. were on the Pardon Roll of 1446:—Christine Cressy, his mother, Thomas Wyld, Thomas Billing (*q.v.*) and John Michel (m.22).

¹¹ The heir was granted to Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, in May 1445; he survived and, as "kinsman" and heir of Sir John Cressy, sued feoffees for Dodford in 1455. His two sons, John and Thomas, died without issue.

CRICKLADE (CRICKKELADE), JOHN (1410-75); of Calne. M.P.
Cricklade 1433; Calne 1442.

Yr. s. of Thomas Cricklade (M.P. for Cricklade and Calne), and yr. bro. of Robert Cricklade.¹

He was owed 60s. in Calne, 1443; was one of those for whose good estate prayers are to be said in John St. Loo's chantry at Calne, 1446; elector, Wilts., 1433, 1450 (when manucaptor for the Wiltshire Members), and 1455; with Henry Long esq. (*q.v.*) he witnessed a deed at Bath, 1457. In 1465/70 John (his nephew) s. of Robert s. of Thomas Cricklade, sued this John Cricklade the elder as a feoffee for the manors of Alice, widow of Thomas, at Cadenham and Studley, and for houses in Cricklade late of Thomas Cricklade.² John the elder paid 26s. for a writ in Wilts., June 1468,³ and he must have been still alive when John, called the younger, died in June 1470.⁴

CRIFF (CRYFF), JOHN. M.P. Canterbury 1489.
Undiscovered.

CROCKER, Sir JOHN (1445-1508); of Lineham. M.P. DEVONSHIRE
1491-2.

He was on all the Yorkist comns. in Devon from 1467; kntd. at Tewkesbury, 4 May 1471; J.P. Devon, 20 June 1471 to 1474, 18 Feb. 1480 to 14 May 1483, 28 June to 5 Dec. 1483, and 8 Feb. 1487 till death. He was one of those comsmd. to capture St. Michael's Mount, 1473; a subsidy comnr. in Apr. and Aug. 1483 and May 1484. Pardoned, 24 Feb. 1484—"of Lynham, Devon, kntd.". From 1488 he was on comns. in Devon for Henry VII also, and in 1497 he was in Exeter with the Earl of Devon defending the city against Perkin Warbeck.⁵ He *m.* Elizabeth da. of Sir Richard Fortescu and widow of John Wood (*q.v.*). By her he had John Crocker, Squire of the Body to Henry VII, who served in the French expedition of 1492.

D. 1508/9.⁶ He is called Cup-bearer to Edward IV in the Visitation, but we find no evidence of his holding any Household appointment. There is little evidence to be found of the years 1475-82.

CROFT, JOHN (1420-72/84); of Cambridge. M.P. Cambridge boro'
1449 (1), 1472-5.

He was a Cambridge boro' elector, 1453, 1455, 1472 (when he heads the list and was himself elected); mayor, 1470;⁷ J.P. Cambridge boro', being then mayor, 26 Jan. 1471, but no longer so, 5 Oct. 1484.

¹ 1455/60 John Cricklade, g.s. of Alice Cricklade, sued John Cricklade and Walter Sambourne, feoffees of Alice, for manors and lands in Wilts.; and in 1455/6 John Cricklade, g.s. of Thomas Cricklade, sued John Cricklade, the petitioner's uncle, for the manor and advowson of Langridge, Wilts. (*Early Chan. Proc.* 26/25, 26/323.)

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/152.

³ Fine Roll, 8 Edw. IV (m.26).

⁴ *ibid.* 10 Edw. IV (m.9).

⁵ Ellis, *Letters*, 1st Ser. i. 34.

⁶ Inq. 24 Hen. VII, Devon (C. Vol. 22, No. 71).

⁷ Cooper, *Annals of Cambridge*, i. 217.

CROFT, Sir RICHARD (1438-1509); of Croft, Heref., and of Cure (Kyre), Worcs. M.P. HEREFORDSHIRE 1461-2,¹ (? 1463-5), 1478.

S. and h. of William Croft of same² by Margaret Walwayn; *m. c.* 1460 Eleanor widow of Sir Hugh Mortimer of Kyre, and da. of Sir Edward Cornwall, baron of Burford. Edward and Edmund of York grew up at Ludlow, tutored by the Crofts, 1445-59;³ but the three brothers Richard elder, Richard younger and Thomas Croft (*qq.v.*) were hardly older than the future King, a fact that one would hardly gather from the letter of Edward to his father, *c.* 1454, concerning the Crofts.⁴

Richard, elder, was at Ludford, but escaped with a pardon, 16 Dec. 1459.⁵ After Northampton, Croft, Devereux, Baskerville and Monington were the Yorkist leaders in Co. Hereford. Croft fought for Edward at Mortimers Cross and probably at Towton also. He was King's servant and had a 20 marks pension out of the fee-farm of Worcester city.⁶ Also he was granted, to him and his heirs male, Burford, Salop, forfeited by his wife's brother Thomas Cornwall, which grant was renewed to him 1465 and exempted from resumption 1467.⁷ J.P. Worcs., 8 Nov. 1464 to Oct. 1470; elector, Hereford, 1467; sheriff, Heref., 1469-70; probably went into exile with Edward IV and returned to fight at Tewkesbury where he was knighted. Again sheriff, Heref., 11 Apr. 1471 to Nov. 1472, and the date of this appointment makes it likely that he was with the King at Barnet also. Beyond a pardon to him, issued in Nov. 1472,⁸ he seems to have been unrewarded except with knighthood. This discounts the story told by Hall of his capture of the Prince of Wales at Tewkesbury, and how he handed him over with or without promise of the Prince's life, for £100.⁹

Miss Strickland says that his wife was "lady governess" to the das. of Edward IV, and she may have been with them in their flights to sanctuary at Westminster. Sir Richard himself held no official position save that of receiver of the Earldom of March, and had nothing from Edward save Burford, Salop. J.P. Worcs., 12 May 1474 till sheriff; sheriff, Heref. again, 1475-6; J.P. Heref., 28 Nov. 1481 till death. He lost nothing by the rise of Richard III; sat on his comms., was not removed from the bench, was pardoned, Mar. 1484, still receiver of the Earldom and again sheriff of Heref. 1484-5. But Henry VII made him Keeper of the Wardrobe of the Household,¹⁰ *alias* Treasurer of the Household;¹¹ Privy Counsellor, and one of those to perform the office of steward of England at the Coronation.¹² He put him on the bench for Worcs. and Salop. He was made Keeper of Woodstock,

¹ M.P. 1461-2 in the Croft pedigrees. This is probably correct though there is no other evidence.

² Son and heir of Sir John Croft M.P. by Janet Glendower.

³ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 11.

⁴ Edward to his father:—We have charged your servant, William Smyth, bearer of these, for to declare unto your nobility certain things on our behalf, namely concerning and touching the odious rule and demeaning of Richard Crofte and his brother (Ellis, *Original Letters*, Ser. I., Vol. i. pp. 9, 10). ⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1459), 539.

⁶ *ibid.* (1461), 44.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. 589.

⁸ Pardon Roll, 5 Nov. 1472, Richard Croft senior, knt., late esq., *alias* late sheriff, Hereford, *alias* of Cure, Worcs. (m.18).

⁹ The best contemporary evidence is the letter from Clarence to his friend Sir Harry Vernon, written just after the slaughter saying that the Prince was killed in full battle.

¹⁰ He accounts as such 1485-8 (*Exchq. Accts.* 412/16, 18).

¹¹ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 92; *Exchq. Accts.* 412/19. ¹² Campbell, *ut supra*.

1486,¹ and banneret at Stoke 1487. When he ceased to be Treasurer and Keeper of the Wardrobe in 1488 he became instead steward of the Household to Prince Arthur² and ranger of Gatley park, Heref. After Prince Arthur's death in 1502 he retired from active service to Croft castle, though Parliament in 1504 appointed him as one of those to supervise the subsidy raised in Herefordshire.

Pardoned 1509;³ *d.* 29 July 1509 when Edward, aged 44, was his s. and h.⁴ Will, dat. 11 June, pr. 11 Nov. 1509.⁵ Edward IV was probably his son's godfather, and the Crofts continue in lineal descent to this day at Croft castle and in the House of Commons.

CROFT, RICHARD, the younger (1440-1501); of Chipping-Norton, Oxon.; parker of Woodstock 1461-86; Sq. of the Body 1483-5. M.P. OXFORDSHIRE 1472-5, (and probably 1484).

2nd s. of William Croft of Croft, Heref., by Margaret Walweyn, and brother of Sir Richard Croft M.P. (1438-1509) and Thomas Croft M.P. (1442-88). Brought up at Ludlow with Edward and Edmund of York. *M.* (1) Isabel da. of Thomas Rodney of Bristol,¹² and (2) Anne.

Having helped Edward to win the kingdom, Richard the younger was made receiver of the Earl of Shrewsbury's lands in Glos. and Heref.; and was, first by himself, later jointly with his brother Thomas (both King's servants), made parker of Woodstock⁶ and granted Sir Edmund Hampden's forfeited lands in Oxon. and Bucks.; exempted in 1467,⁷ 1473,⁸ 1485.⁹ Richard's wage as parker of Woodstock was 40s. a year and 3*d.* a day, and was continued down to 1486, when his elder brother succeeded him at Woodstock. They adhered to Edward in 1470-1; were pardoned 1472;¹⁰ J.P. Oxon., and of the quorum, 1471 to 1477, 1478 to 1485, 1486 till death; on Oxon. comns. from 1472. Richard the younger adhered to Richard III also, sat on all his comns., was pardoned with a rich list of official aliases 1484,¹¹ and was made squire of the Body by June 1484.¹² Henry VII removed

¹ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 310; Palmer's Index to Fine Rolls.

² Kingsford, *Chronicle of London*, 256; Pardon Roll, 1509 (4 m.16).

³ Richard Croft of Croft, Heref., *alias* of Cure, Worcs., of Westminster and London, *alias* late Treasurer of Household of Henry VII, steward of Household of Prince Arthur, *alias* farmer of Woodstock (*L. and P. Hen. VIII*, i. 438 (4 m.16)).

⁴ Inq. *p.m.* 1 Hen. VIII, No. 32.

⁵ To be bur. in Church of Croft. Bequests to grand-das., Eleanor Croft da. of Edward Croft, Joyce Blount da. of Thos. Blount, and Elizabeth Whittington. To sons Edward and Robert. Exors.—Edward Croft and Dame Elienor, wife.

⁶ He accounts as controller of works at Woodstock 1461-5 (*Exchr. Accts.* 499/15, 546/9.11).

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. 589.

⁸ *ibid.* vi. 84-5.

⁹ *ibid.* vi. 342.

¹⁰ Pardon Roll, 9 June 1472—of Woodstock, Oxon., esq. *alias* younger (m.23).

¹¹ Pardon Roll, 12 May 1484, Richard Croft younger esq., *alias* late of Woodstock, of Chipping-Norton, receiver in Heref. for Edward IV of Earl of Shrewsbury's lands during the minority, receiver of feoffees of Richard late duke of York in Salop, receiver of the benevolence in Glos., N'hants., Oxon., *alias* late of London (m.17).

¹² There is a fine, dat. 29 June 1484, between Richard Croft of Woodstock, Squire of the Body, and John Vowell, dr. of laws, settling m.20 of land in Glos., etc., on Hugh, s. of Richard, remainder to Isabel, Richard's wife, da. of Thomas Rodney of Bristol (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 312).

him momentarily from the bench, but Parliament exempted some of his grants,¹ and he was pardoned 1491.²

D. 1501. Will, dat. 12 Aug. 1501, pr. 16 Mar. 1502.³

CROFT, ROBERT (1445-1503/4); ald. of Leicester. M.P. Leicester boro' 1491-2.

Chamberlain of Leicester 1472-3; deputy for Piers Curtis (*q.v.*) the bailiff Nov. 1483;⁴ mayor of Leicester 1484-5, 1493-4; steward of the Fair six times between 1489 and 1503; alderman from 27 Apr. 1484;⁵ master of the guild of Corpus Christi 1493-4.⁶ In 1498/9 he and Roger Trigg had a dispute before the Mayor; Trigg complained of slander, being accused of disloyalty. Then the Queen mother, the Lady Margaret, wrote advising the mayor to put in force against Croft the statutes and penalties for slander, seeing that Trigg had purged himself of the charge or offence.⁷ Leicester belonged to the Duchy of Lancaster, which may afford some ground for the intervention of so great a lady.

D. 1503/4 leaving Robert his s. and h. Will, dat. 3 Sept. 1503, pr. 12 July 1504, of Robert Croft of Leicester the elder.⁸

CROFT, THOMAS (1442-88); of London and Bristol; lawyer; King's servant. M.P. Leominster 1478, (and perhaps 1484).

Third s. of William Croft of Croft by Margaret (Walwayn), and yr. bro. of Sir Richard and of Richard Croft junr. (*qq.v.*). *M.* Elizabeth who had three parts of Shottesville, Warw., in 1472.⁹

Like his two bros. he was brought up at Ludlow with Edward of York whom he matched in age, also fought his way to London and became a King's servant, 1461. He shared with Richard the younger both Hampden's forfeited lands and the offices at Woodstock. Either in 1459 or 1469 he entered Lincoln's Inn at the special instance of Richard Walwayn, and he was residing there 1469-71.¹⁰ Ranger for life of Shotover and Stowood, Oxon., May 1469.¹¹ On Oxfordshire comms. 1463, 1470; J.P. Oxon., 1473 to 1475, 1477 to June 1483. Deputy butler at Exmouth 1475;¹² water bailiff of Bristol, 12 Apr. 1478;¹³ jointly with Catesby, deputy butler at Bristol, Exeter and Dartmouth, 16 Aug. 1483.¹⁴ Richard III employed him and

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 342.

² Pardon Roll, 8 June 1491—late of Chipping-Norton esq., of Old and New Woodstock, *alias* younger, gent.

³ To be bur. at Chipping-Norton. Land at Chipping-Norton to w. Anne; land at Stanley Pontlarge to son Hugh. Bequests to das. Anne Rodney and Elizabeth Fennys. Anne w., residuary legatee and exix. (P.C.C., 14 Blamyr).

⁴ Bateson, *Records of Leicester*, 436.

⁵ *ibid.* 307.

⁶ *ibid.* 343.

⁷ *ibid.* 298, 356.

⁸ To be bur. at St. Martin's, Leicester. To Robert Croft his s. lands and tenements in Leicester, subject to a charge of £3 a year in favour of his other s. Thomas. Bequest to his sis. Elizabeth Rawlinson. Residue to be divided equally among children. Exors.:—Thomas Cotton and William Bolt. Overseer:—Master Rauf Lemyngton, merchant of the staple of Calais (P.C.C., 15 Holgrave).

⁹ W. R. Williams, *Heref. M.P.s.*

¹⁰ *Adm. Regr.* 17; *Black Bk. of Lincoln's Inn*, pp. 33, 48, 50, 53, 59.

¹¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1469), 159.

¹² *ibid.* (1475), 548.

¹³ *ibid.* (1478), 100.

¹⁴ *ibid.* (1483), 465.

pardoned him, 28 Feb. 1484, at the dissolution of Parlt. in which he probably sat.¹ But he joined Henry Tudor before Bosworth and again fought his way to office—becoming ranger of Wychwood, bailiff of Fownhope, Heref., and parker of Pembridge,² all the which offices were exempted from resumption in 1485.³ J.P. Glos., 1486 till death; pardoned all arrears as collr. of customs in Bristol to Edward IV and Richard III,⁴ and granted a tenement in Hereford, forfeited by lord Ferrers, Dec. 1487.⁵

D. 1488, apparently without issue. Will, dat. 11 Oct. 1485, pr., on the oath of Richard Croft esq., 15 Nov. 1488; exors.:—John, bp. of Worcester, Elizabeth Croft his wife, John Hemming and John Jennings, chaplain.⁶ He cannot well be the “late King’s servant” whose grants Parlt. annulled in 1492 for committing “a detestable murder” in the marches of Wales, who had taken sanctuary at Bewdley.⁷

CROMER (CROWMER), ROBERT (1445–1500); of Yarmouth, merchant. M.P. Yarmouth 1484?,⁸ 1491–2.

Perhaps s. of Roger Cromer, bailiff of Yarmouth 1470–1.⁹

Pardoned 1472¹⁰ and 1484.¹¹ In 1475/85, being a burgess of Yarmouth, he complains of the corruption of the bailiffs of Yarmouth in a suit brought against him by Thomas Elys (*q.v.*), alderman of Norwich.¹² He was himself bailiff 1479–80, 1481–4, 1489–91, 1497–8, returning himself to Parliament in 1491, probably in 1484, possibly in 1483. He was made a controller of customs at Yarmouth, 27 Apr. 1485; surveyor of customs in both Yarmouth and Ipswich, 1 Mar. 1491; on Norfolk comns. from 1487; deputy for the Earl of Oxford in Norfolk and Suffolk, 1492; and he writes to Sir John Paston, 12 July 1495, to thank him for offering to help in case Yarmouth needed such against Warbeck.¹³ On gaol delivery comn. at Yarmouth, 1496; and must have died soon after, certainly before 1509.

CROPPE, JOHN (1425–85); of Bridgwater and Southampton, merchant and skinner. M.P. Bridgwater 1460–1.

Perhaps s. of a John Croppe senior. He was a skinner living at Damyate, called junior; churchwarden 1454–5. He paid 3s. for his “liberty” in the Common Hall 1457, and as John Croppe senior he was a trustee in Bridgwater

¹ Pardon Roll, 28 Feb. 1484—Thomas Croft esq., *alias* of London, gent., *alias* late collr. of customs and subsidies in Bristol, *alias* late receiver this side Trent, *alias* late deputy-butler in Bristol and Exeter (m.7).

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1485); Campbell, *Materials*, i. 80.

³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 342.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1486), 145.

⁵ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 216.

⁶ P.C.C., 17 Milles.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 441; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1492), 379.

⁸ The whole description of the man in the 1484 pardon roll, and the date of it—issued the day before the dissolution of Parliament—makes this probable. That the bailiffs of Yarmouth often returned themselves makes his return in 1483 possible also.

⁹ *Norfolk Official Lists*, 157.

¹⁰ Of Yarmouth, merch., *alias* yeoman (m.29).

¹¹ Pardon Roll, 1 Mar. 1484—“burgess of Yarmouth, merch., *alias* one of the bailiffs of Yarmouth, *alias* late clerk and deputy of John Smith late contrlr. of customs and subsidy in Yarmouth, *alias* late provost (*prepositus*) of Yarmouth (m.9).

¹² *Early Chan. Proc.* 64/391.

¹³ *Paston Letters*, iii. 386–7.

1480, 1481.¹ But also Letters of Protection were issued to John Croppe, merchant and skinner of Southampton, for staying with Ralph Wolseley, victualler of Calais, and were revoked, 1466, because he tarried in Southampton.

CROSBY, Sir JOHN (1425-1476);² ald. of London, grocer; of Crosby place and Hanworth, Mdsx. M.P. London 1467-8.

S. and h. of John Crosby of London; *m.* (1) Agnes whose children all died *v.p.*, and (2) Anne da. of William Chedworth,³ by whom he had John who came of age after 1481.⁴ Pardoned, 1 Mar. 1462, "of London, grocer, merchant of the Staple of Calais" (m.35), and again 20 Aug. 1468 and 10 June 1469;⁵ auditor of London 1467-9; alderman, 13 Dec. 1468 till death; master of the Grocers 1469-70;⁶ pardoned, 10 Feb. 1471, by the Readeption government. He was sheriff 1470-1; and drove off the bastard's attack on London Bridge⁷ and was knighted at the Bridge foot, 21 May 1471; took out a pardon, 11 Dec. 1471. In 1472 he was sent with others to Burgundy to negotiate a commercial treaty, but failed; next year to Utrecht and Bruges to treat with the Hanse, May 1473.⁸ He was Mayor of the Staple of Calais, and in 1466 he leased land from St. Helen's Priory to build Crosby Hall.³

D. 1476; bur. in St. Helen's, Bishopsgate, M.I. Will, dat. 6 Mar. 1471, pr. in P.C.C., 6 Feb. 1476, is printed in Gough's *Sepulchral Monuments*, V.3, App. 4.³

CROSSE, THOMAS (1420-1485); of Porchester, Hants. Of the Exchequer. M.P. Shaftesbury 1449-50; Heytesbury 1453-4.

In 1455 Thomas Croos, sadler, held of the bishop a curtilage in Melmonger St., Salisbury, for the high rent of 19*d.*⁹ In Jan. 1458 Thomas Cross, clerk in the King's Exchequer, was one of several feoffees of a messuage in Ramsey, Hunts.¹⁰ In July 1466 Thomas Cross of Porchester, Hants, yeoman, was one of those guilty of trespassing; a witness in a Dorset deed, 1474;¹¹ and in Feb. 1482 Cross and John Cheyne of Pynne, Dorset, founded a chantry at Corscombe, Dorset. But whether all these were the same and which the M.P. no man knoweth.

CROSSMAN, WILLIAM. M.P. Liskeard 1467-8.

In Oct. 1461, William Crosman, citizen and mercer of London, was owed 40*s.* No other reference to a man of this name has been found. In the absence of local records he cannot be identified with a Londoner.

CROUCHER see CROWCHER.

¹ All *ex inf.* T. Bruce Dilks from the Bridgwater records.

² Beaven, *Aldermen*, ii. 13.

³ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. John Crosby.

⁴ *Letter Book L.* pp. 156, 173, 179.

⁵ As "merchant of the Staple, *alias* of London, grocer." (m.30, m.4).

⁶ Beaven, *op. cit.* ii. 13.

⁷ *London & Mdsx. Arch. Soc.* New Series 3, p. 50.

⁸ *Foedera*, V. iii. pp. 14, 30.

⁹ *Wilts. Arch. Mag.* xxxvii. 78.

¹⁰ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 358.

¹¹ *Ex inf.* Miss Bates Harbin of Newton Surmaville.

CROWCH, THOMAS (1425-80); of Kent, lawyer?
1455-6.

M.P. Weymouth

There was a *John* Crowch, mayor of Shaftesbury 1472, who occurs 1462-78, perhaps a brother. Thomas Crowch was a feoffee in Kent in 1467/72,¹ and delivered seisin for Sir John Say, the Speaker, in Herts. in 1477.² In 1475/85 the Bishop of London sued feoffees to uses for land in Great Chart, Kent, late of Thomas Crowch, the bishop's debtor;³ so he was at that time probably dead.

CROWCHER (CROUCHER), JOHN.

M.P. Arundel 1449-50.

He cannot be the Dean of the Chapel Royal; he is not likely to be the vintner of London, 1427-35; he may be the John Croucher of Watringbury, Kent, who was sworn to the peace in 1434; he is perhaps the John son of William Crowcher who sued his uncle Thomas Crowcher for a third part of lands in Croydon in 1456.⁴

CROWMER see CROMER.

CROWMER, Sir JAMES (1448-1502/9); of Tunstall, Kent.
KENT 1491-2.

M.P.

S. and h. of William Crowmer of Sheppey, M.P. (1421-50) by Elizabeth eld. da. of Sir James Fiennes, lord Say and Sele (*q.v.*); *m.* Catherine da. of Sir William Cantelowe of London, M.P., and had William, George archbishop of Armagh, and John.⁵

Kntd. at Tewkesbury, 4 May 1471. As was the case with most of the Kent gentry his relations with Richard III were not amicable and only on 12 May 1485 was he pardoned—"of Tonstall, Kent, knt."⁶ He held also the manors of Walbury, Hassingbroke and Fanges, Kent.⁷ J.P. Kent, 4 Dec. 1490 to 5 June 1503 (death?); and on comms. of array and of oyer 1490-1496.

He was living 14 Mar. 1502 but dead by Nov. 1509, when William his s. and h. and exor. was on the pardon roll.⁸

CROWMER, WILLIAM (1421⁹-1450); of Sheppey and Westerham. King's Squire.
M.P. KENT 1447, 1449 (1).

S. and h. of William Crowmer, mayor of London, draper, M.P. (*d.* 1433), by Margaret da. of Thomas Squerie, of Westerham, who *rem.* Robert, lord Poynings; *m.* Elizabeth da. of Sir James Fiennes, lord Saye and Sele, who sat in these two Parliaments and was Lord Treasurer.

By reason of his father-in-law, Crowmer was sheriff of Kent 1444-5 and 1449 till death; pardoned Sept. 1445, for allowing the escape of eleven prisoners in his charge as sheriff.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 38/295. ² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 74. ³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 54/242.
⁴ *ibid.* 25/20. ⁵ Hasted, *Kent*, ii. 575. ⁶ Pardon Roll, 1485 (m.16).

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1489), 271.

⁸ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 438 (2 m.22).

⁹ On 31 Jan. 1443 William, son of William Crowmer, late alderman, came into the court of aldermen and acknowledged receipt of 500 marks from the city chest, paid to him on his coming of age (*Letter Book K.* 279).

When Cade defeated the King's men at Sevenoaks, the King's army, turning mutinous, demanded the heads of Saye, Crowmer, etc. They were sent to prison at the end of June ; and when Cade took London he got hold of them, and Crowmer was murdered 4 July 1450.¹ His widow lost husband and father together, but she remarried Alexander Iden, who slew Cade.

CRUWYS (CRWYS), WILLIAM (1415-80); cadet of Cruwys Morchard. M.P. Tavistock 1449 (1).

Prob. 4th s. of John Cruwys, *d.* 1430, of Cruwys Morchard. His eld. bro. John *d.* 1452 *s.p.*, when Nicholas and William Cruwys recited a grant from their father of farms in Cruwys. The earl of Devon recovered against the three bros., Thomas, Nicholas and William, 1,060 ac. in East Anstey and Rackenford, 1459; and William Cruwys, presumably the same man, held 3s. 11d. of land of the abbot in Tavistock in 1460. As "gent. of Cruwys Morchard" he occurs in suits concerning East Anstey in 1463, and in 1467, 1471. With Nicholas he was leasing lands in Thelbridge, 1475.² The family, however, must have been extensive by 1449, since we know that—"Croker, Cruwys and Coplestone, when the Conqueror came, were all at home".

CRYFF see CRIFF.

CUDDINGTON (CODYNGTON), JOHN (1445-1500); of Cuddington, Surrey. M.P. Midhurst 1478.

Ralph Cuddington was M.P. Surrey 1391-1407. John was a Sussex elector in 1467, a juror at Southwark 1471-2,³ and John Cuddington of Cuddington, and seven others of Cheam and Sutton, were presented at Banstead manor court for dispasturing sheep on the Downs, 1486.⁴ John Cuddington of Cuddington junior was a feoffee in Surrey, 1491.⁵

CUDWORTH, JOHN. M.P. Newcastle-under-Lyme 1447.

Not a local person ; therefore, probably, a Duchy nominee. There were John Cudworths of Oldham, Lancs., lords of that manor in the early part of the 15th century. One of these would be quite likely to sit for a Duchy seat.

CULME, JOHN (1440-84); of Barnstaple, merchant. M.P. Barnstaple 1478.

He was trustee for a house in Barnstaple 1474;⁶ pardoned 1477 as "merchant, late deputy or clerk to William Duke (*q.v.*), collr. of customs and subsidy at Exeter and Dartmouth"; sued 1475/85 for accepting payment and then suing for the debt;⁷ *m.* Avys who, by 1485, had *rem.* Richard Crues.⁸ *Henry* Culme lived in

¹ "A squire called Crowmer, that was sheriff of Kent, that had wedded the Lord Saye's daughter, by commandment of the Captain was brought out of the Flete, that was committed thither for certain extortions that he had had done in his office, and led to Mile End without London, and there, without any other judgment, his head was smit off, and the Lord Saye's and his also were born upon two long shafts unto London Bridge and there set up" (*English Chronicle*, 66, 67).

² J. J. Alexander, citing Cruwys Morchard Deeds (C.M. 121 etc.) *penes* Mrs. M. C. S. Cruwys.

³ Anc. Indicts. at Heralds College *per* A. T. Butler.

⁴ Lambert, *Banstead*, ii. 53.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1491), 344.

⁶ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* ix. 209.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 54/190.

⁸ *ibid.* 58/186.

Barnstaple 1504,¹ so did *Hugh Culme*, eschr. of Devon, 1505. John Culme who was paid 6s. 8d. in 1511-12 as one of the burgesses to Parliament for Barnstaple,² may be the son of the 1478 M.P.

CUMBERFORD, WILLIAM (1410-72); of Cumberford, Staffs.; Protonotary of Common Pleas; lawyer. M.P. Newcastle-under-Lyme 1442; STAFFORDSHIRE 1449 (1).

S. and h. of John Cumberford of the same (*d.* 1434/9), by Jane.

He occurs as a surety in 1433; was building Cumberford in 1439, and he held land also at Wigginton, Staffs. J.P. Staffs., and of the quorum, 1442 to 1471, and a justice of gaol delivery. He appears on few comns., but he was an attorney in Kent and London suits before the King's Bench in 1460, and a Protonotary of the Court of Common Pleas. Lancastrian—for he was exor. of the will of the Lancastrian, Sir William Vernon (M.P.) in 1467, and was removed from the Bench after the Readeption, though pardoned 6 Feb. 1472.³

D. 11 June 1472; and Fogge (*q.v.*) apptd. Roger Brent (*q.v.*) in his place as protonotary.⁴ Perhaps his political views would account for the arms he took:—Gules, on a cross engrailed or, five (red) roses of the first!

CURSON see CURZON.

CURTIS, PIERS (1435-1505); of Kirby and Leicester, and of Kingston on Thames. Of the Household 1462-72; clerk or keeper of the Great Wardrobe 1472-94; Usher of the Chamber 1485. M.P. Appleby 1467-8, 1472-5; Leicester boro' 1478, 1483 (Jan.), 1484, 1485-6, 1487, 1489-90, 1491-2, 1495.

This man led a double life—even his relations with Alice Russell were ambiguous. Miss Bateson knows him as burgess of Leicester—bailiff 1461-98; mayor 1482-3; J.P. 1483-4.⁵ He was pardoned, 6 Mar. 1460, "of Keerby, Leicester, yeoman." (m.5.) As "King's servant" he was granted a house in Leicester forfeited by Edward Digby 1467; and Curtis and Everard Digby make endowments in Leicester 1478; and he was admitted "freeman" 1481/2.⁶ The Digbys were his exors. and overseers. The unique grants, jointly to Piers Curtis and Alice Russell, 25 Oct. 1464,⁷ were exempted in 1467/8, but thereafter Alice vanishes, and, to judge from his will, Curtis was never married.⁸

The other life of Piers Curtis, Yorkist, runs thus:—He was in the King's household in Feb. 1462;⁹ groom of the Robes, exempted from resumption in 1464 in respect of a grant in the Frith of Leicester.¹⁰ M.P. Appleby 1467, his name having been evidently inserted in a blank. Jointly chief serjeant of Meath, 29 Aug. 1471; apptd. clerk of the great wardrobe in Westminster, 17 Jan. 1472, which is

¹ *Records of Barnstaple*, ii. 189.

² *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

³ Pardon Roll, 6 Feb. 1472, as William Cumberford of Cumberford, Staffs., gent., *alias* late of London.

⁴ *Year Book* 49 Hen. VI (Selden Soc.), xviii.

⁵ Bateson, *Leicester*, 451.

⁶ Hartopp, *Leicester*, p. xxxv.

⁷ Bateson, *Leicester*, 610.

⁸ But Piers Curteys and Agnes his wife gave 10/- for writ of ingress in Surrey, 1 June 1493 (Fine Roll, 8 Hen. VII, m.4).

⁹ Issue Roll, Mich. 1 Edw. IV.

¹⁰ *Rot. Parl.* v. 536.

alias-ed "Keeper of the beds and cloths in the palace of Westminster," with a groom and wages, 10 May 1472—exempted 1473.¹ To France with the King, 1475, and ten archers in his retinue.² Controller of subsidy in port of London and "keeper" of the great Wardrobe,³ 12 Apr. 1478, renewed 1480;⁴ in 1480 his salary is given as £100 a year.⁵ Pardoned arrears as keeper, 10 Mar. 1483. The Keeper bought stuff for the Dukes of Albany and Gloucester and paid £25 for the burial of Mary, the King's da., 1482.

Richard III deprived him of the Wardrobe, though he was pardoned, 24 Feb. 1484, while M.P., as "late of London, gent., *alias* controller of subsidy in port of London". But he was in sanctuary at Westminster. Henry VII made him gentleman usher of the chamber, granted him for life the bailivy of Leicester, 25 Oct. 1485; keeper of the Privy Palace of Westminster, keeper of the Wardrobe there once more, and exempted 1485.⁶ "Our trusty servant, gentleman usher of our chamber" is to be paid for stuff bought for the King's marriage, 20 Feb. 1486.⁷ He was restored as under Edward IV, "for his true heart and service and for the great persecutions, dangers and losses sustained, he having kept sanctuary at Westminster long time in sadness and fear awaiting the King's arrival". He took Cornburgh's place as "Keeper of the Great Wardrobe", 1 Mar. 1487. This title superseded his old one, for so he is described when the King gives him "cloth in grain, capuc of pure menever, furrure of gross menever, furrure of byse and tartaryn" in 1489.⁸ He had also a corrody at Bury St. Edmunds. Pardoned, 20 May 1491,⁹ and pardoned arrears as Keeper of Great Wardrobe to Edward IV, Richard III and Henry VII, 13 Mar. 1492, and a more general pardon also.

D. 1505. Will pr. 26 Apr. 1505.¹⁰

CURZON (CURSON), JOHN (1395-1460); of Croxall and Kedleston esq.

M.P. DERBYSHIRE 1423-4, 1429-30, 1432, 1435, 1439-40, 1442, 1445-6.

S. and h. of John Curzon M.P. of same, by Cecily; *m.* 1422/3 Sanchia yst. da. of Sir Thomas Gresley of Drakelow (1365-1445), by whom he had Thomas his heir, four other sons and three das.¹¹

At Agincourt in the retinue of Henry V;¹² eschr., Derbys. and Notts., 1430-1, 1435-6, 1440-1; J.P. Derbys., 8 June 1431 till death; on some comns. described as "of Croxall, esq."; one of the arbitrators concerning the payment of Petercorn in Yorks., 1431;¹³ sworn to the peace in Derbys., 1434; pardoned 1446 and

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 87.

² *Foedera*, V. iii. 56.

³ In the Issue Rolls this office is always "*clerk* of the great wardrobe".

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1478), pp. 198, 222; Issue Roll, 19 Edw. IV, No. 852.

⁵ *Wardrobe Accts. of Edw. IV.*

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 372.

⁷ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 324.

⁸ *ibid.* ii. 500.

⁹ "Of London esq., *alias* late of Westminster, *alias* late of Kingston-on-Thames, *alias* late of Leicester, *alias* late of Weston-Underwood, Bucks., *alias* late of Assewoodbury, Bucks., *alias* late feodary of the Honor of Leicester for Edward IV" (m.32).

¹⁰ If he die in London, to be bur. in Blackfriars, Ludgate; if out of London at my place in Mdsx., then in church of Kingston; if in Leicester, at St. Mary's, Newark. Residue to be spent on deeds of charity. Exors. :—Everard Fildyng esq., Symond Digby esq., Richard Marland esq., John Kyrkeby (*q.v.*). Overseers :—Everard Digby esq., and John Digby knt. (P.C.C., 29 Holgrave).

¹¹ *Staffs. Colls.* i. N.S. 225, 247; which however shows him dying 4 Apr. 1450. Glover, *Derbyshire*, ii. 333.

¹² Nicholas, *Agincourt*, 378.

¹³ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 165.

Nov. 1455;¹ Derbys. elector 1425, 1426, 1431, 1449 (2), 1450 heading the list; sumnd. in Apr. 1455 to attend the Gt. Council for Derbys.²

Judging from the comns. of the Peace he must have *d.* between 26 May and 8 Dec. 1460. It is, therefore, possible that he was killed at Northampton, but more probable that he *d.* of old age.³

CURZON (CURSON), JOHN (1460-1505); of Norwich and London, mercer.

M.P. Norwich 1491-2. On the British Museum List, but Norwich Assembly Books give Philip, his father, as in 1485.

Yr. s. of Philip Curzon, draper of Norwich, M.P. (1435-1502); *m.* Frances da. of John Wingfield of Dunham, Norfolk.⁴ Pardoned, 6 Aug. 1497, as John Curzon of London, mercer.⁵ Probably dead before 1509.

CURZON, PHILIP⁶ (1435-1502); ald. of Norwich, draper. M.P. Norwich 1485-6, 1491-2.⁷

S. and h. of Walter Curzon of Lynn M.P. (1405-60); *m.* Agnes, da. of John Lavell.⁸

The prior of Bromholm paid £9 3s. *od.* to Philip Curzon, draper, for cloths for John Paston's funeral in 1466,⁹ and in 1473 John Elmham of Norwich conveyed land in Erpingham, Norf., to Philip Curzon, cit. and draper of Norwich, Thomas Curzon his son, and other feoffees.¹⁰ Sheriff of Norwich 1477-8; elector, Norfolk, 1478; alderman before 1501, when pardoned.¹¹ He died shortly after 24 June 1502 when the will of Philip Curzon, alderman of Norwich, was dated.¹²

CURZON, WALTER (1405-60); of Lynn, merchant. M.P. Lynn 1442.

Second s. of John Curson, who was s. of John Curson of Gaywood by Lynn; *m.* Agnes, and had Philip Curson of Letheringsett, M.P. Norwich.¹³ Walter's bro. John was admitted to his freedom, 1428/9, as an apprentice to his father. In 1435 Walter Curson and John Bamplar "clerk of the mairalte and the commonalte" were chosen "proctours" to accompany Thomas Burgh (M.P.) on his mission to Bruges.¹⁴ Walter Curson, merchant, was a feoffee in Norfolk, 1440; a Suffolk elector, 1459.

¹ "of Keddeston esq." in both Rolls—1446 (m.45), 1455 (m.4).

² *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 340.

³ He must not be confused with Sir John Curzon of Norf., 1434, or John Curzon of Belthorpe, Yorks., gent., an abductor in 1453.

⁴ *Visitn. Norfolk*, 1563; W. D. Pink; *Norfolk and Norwich Arch. Soc.* 1895.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1497), 114.

⁶ Blomefield gives Philip as the member for Norwich in 1485 and 1491, quoting from city records now lost. John Curzon, his son, was the M.P. in 1491 according to the list of that Parliament now discovered. Mistakes of christian name occur in that list, but on the whole we prefer John, though Philip may be accepted for 1485 (Blomefield, *Norfolk*, iii. pt. i. 1806). ⁷ L'Estrange, quoting from Norwich Assembly Book.

⁸ Addl. MS. 19125, Brit. Mus. ⁹ *Paston Letters*, ii. 271. ¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1473), 387.

¹¹ Pardon Roll, 22 Nov. 1501, late sheriff of Norwich, late draper, *alias* cit. and alderman, *alias* late of Causton, Norf., gent., late of Wodebastwyke, Norf., late of Letheringsett, Norf., (m.43). ¹² Blomefield, *Norfolk*, iii.

¹³ Add. MS. 19125, Brit. Mus. ¹⁴ Lynn Hall Books.

CURWEN, Sir THOMAS (1415-86/7); of Workington, Cumbd. M.P. CUMBERLAND 1435, 1442, 1449 (1); WESTMORLAND 1449-50; CUMBERLAND 1459. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir Christopher Curwen of the same (M.P. Cumb. 1425-32) by Elizabeth, sis. of John de Hudleston; *m.* (1) Alice and (2) Anne, da. of Sir Robert Lowther.

Elector, Cumbd. 1442 (when himself elected), 1447, 1467; elector, Westd., 1449 (2) (when elected); eschr., Cumbd. and Westd., 1440-1; kntd. Jan/Oct. 1449; sheriff, Cumbd., 1449-50; pardoned, June 1452¹ and Feb. 1458²; a Lancastrian, he was on the Cumbd. comn. of array, Dec. 1459; J.P. Cumbd., 9 Dec. 1459 till the Readeption, and 20 June 1473 till death. Under Richard III he appears on all the comns. subsidy and array, though he must then have been a very old man.

D. 1486/7, judging from his comns. of the Peace.

CUTLER (CUTILLER), EDWARD (1425-80); ald. of Norwich, mercer. M.P. Norwich 1460-1, 1461-2.

Sheriff of Norwich, 1453. In 1458 he was on a comn. *re* the defences of the city; elector, Norwich, 1467; mayor 1470. In 1467/72 Edward Cutler, ald. of Norwich, was one of the exors. of Richard Host, late alderman.³ Pardoned, 18 Mar. 1473, "of Norwich, merchant, *alias* alderman, *alias* mercer" (m.30).

CUTLER (COTELER), JOHN; of Exeter. Mayor of the staple. M.P. Exeter 1461-2.

Perhaps s. of John Cutler, M.P. Exeter 1421, 1425, 1429. The man held no local office, but in 1450/3 John Davy of Kingswear sued John Coteler, mayor of the staple of Exeter, for false imprisonment for debt.⁴ Compare also John Carwynnak since that may be an *alias* for the same man.

CUTTEWORTH see CATWORTH.

DACRE, Hon. Sir CHRISTOPHER (1470-1540); of Croglin and Carlisle; vice-warden of the Marches. M.P. CUMBERLAND 1491-2, 1523, 1529-36 (and probably at other times).

Third s. of Humphrey, lord Dacre of Gilsland (1428-85) by Mabel da. of Sir Thomas Parr (*q.v.*).

Sheriff, Cumbd., 5 Nov. 1497 to 1 Dec. 1505; Nhd., 6 Nov. 1520 to 3 Feb. 1522; Cumbd., 3 Feb. to 12 Nov. 1522, 27 Jan. to 7 Nov. 1526; Norham and Elandshire, 17 Mar. 1526 to 3 Jan. 1528; Cumbd., 9 Nov. 1531 to 20 Nov. 1532. Pardoned 1509, as of Carlisle and London esq.;⁵ kntd. at Flodden 1513; raided

¹ Of Workington, Cumbd., kntd. (m.29).

² Of Workington, *alias* s. and h. of Christopher Curwen, kntd., deceased (m.34).

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 45/221.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 7/102.

⁵ *L. and P.* i. 438 (4 m.23.)

Scotland, Oct. 1513.¹ J.P. Cumbd., 12 May 1510 till death; J.P. Nhd., 29 Nov. 1512 till death; J.P. Westd., 10 Feb. 1524 till death. In Jan. 1515 Lord Dacre sent his brother to make reprisals on Sir Ralph Fenwick and the Tynedale men.² He was a perpetual trouble to the Scots, disowned in public, abetted in private, and called by his brother, Lord Dacre, his "lieutenant", 1521.³ He lay at Rockcliffe "the uttermost house" in England. In vain the Bishop of Carlisle wrote to Wolsey asking for some good captains to be sent to the Middle and Eastern Marches "for neither Lord Dacre nor Sir Christopher are beloved", 22 May 1522,⁴ for in Apr. 1523 the King himself wrote to Lord Dacre "to appoint his brother Sir Christopher and John Pennington knts. of the shire for Cumberland to appear at the approaching Parliament."⁵ He was harrying and burning Scotland in Apr. 1524, and Wolsey was proposing to Norfolk in August that he should do it again with 200 horse.⁶ He treated the Northumbrians in like manner, yet Lord Dacre was made steward of Hexham and captain of Norham with Sir Christopher as his deputy, and "the Borders were never better ruled"⁷—Vice-warden of the Eastern March and sheriff in 1526.

Next year he was his brother's exor. and his nephew's deputy lieutenant. In 1533 he again harried Scotland, but in 1534, while still M.P., the Royal hand fell upon them both. The Lord and his uncle and his bastard son were committed to the Tower and "thought to be in great danger", 15 May 1534.⁸ Sir Christopher was said to be rich in money "but we can get no knowledge of his books".⁹ Lord Dacre was indicted "that he had made wicked and treacherous agreement with Sir Christopher Dacre of Croglyng". However, they were acquitted; their sheep restored, 17 Dec.;¹⁰ and Sir Christopher got his pardon, 4 Mar. 1535.¹¹ The Pilgrimage of Grace followed, 1536-7. Sir Christopher held Carlisle against them—"has shown himself a noble knt. . . . taken 700 or 800 of rebels," 17 Feb. 1537.¹² He was again sent to London, 12 Apr. 1539¹³—possibly even in that Parliament—beginning 28 Apr.—and he was still alive in May 1540—a typical example of the Dacres of the North.

DACRE, Hon. GEORGE (1430-60); of Maltby, Yorks., esq. M.P. WESTMORLAND 1447.

¹ He rode into Scotland with his "subjects" and burnt Stakehughe and Irwyn and the hamlets down Irewyn burn; but the weather was "very contagious" and in their return they were in jeopardy from the floods (*ibid.* 2446).

² The Tynedale men had robbed Wolsey's tenants going to Hexham market. Wolsey's tenants refused to pay rent, so Sir Christopher put some in Wynne Tower, Hexham, "Upon which a mob assembled and demanded their deliverance." Within 7 days Sir Christopher "took the ringleaders and committed them some to Hexham, some to Carlisle" (*ibid.* II. i. p. 55).

³ *L. and P.* III. 1190. iii; the Duke of Albany writes to Lord Dacre to complain of his pretended banishment of his brother and of Sir Christopher's visiting Alexander Home and offering Home 300 horse. Lord Dacre replies that he has not banished him and that said Sir Christopher is meeting Home at "Yalow Sike hede" and that there will be no breach of the peace (*ibid.* II. i. p. 226).

⁴ *ibid.* iii. p. 962.

⁵ *ibid.* iii. 2931.

⁶ Wolsey to Norfolk (*ibid.* iv. p. 276).

⁷ Magines to Wolsey, 1 Mar. 1526 (*ibid.* iv. p. 904).

⁸ *ibid.* vii. p. 280.

⁹ *ibid.* vii. p. 327.

¹⁰ *ibid.* vii. p. 577.

¹¹ *ibid.* viii. p. 185.

¹² Norfolk to Hen. VIII (*ibid.* pp. 216, 226).

¹³ Lord Dacre to Cromwell (*ibid.* xiv. i. p. 362).

Perhaps yr. bro. of Humphrey, lord Dacre, and therefore son of Thomas (Dacre), lord Dacre (1387-1458), by Philippe, da. of Ralph Nevill, earl of Westmorland.

The Pardon Roll of 13 Feb. 1458 includes him as "of Maltby, Yorks., esq., *alias* of Sandbeck, Yorks." (m.29).

DACRE, GILES (1420-80); retainer of Lord Stourton. Controller of customs.

M.P. Shaftesbury 1453-4; Wilton 1455-6, 1460-1, 1463-5; Wareham 1467-8; Old Sarum 1472-5.

In May 1462 he was made, during pleasure, controller of customs at Poole, to execute office in person. He was repeatedly feoffee for the lords Stourton in cos. Glos. and Somerset—a deceased feoffee in 1487.¹ His name may be "of Acre," or d'Acres.

DACRE, Hon. Sir RALF DE (1426-61); of Gilsland and of Naworth (Lord Dacre of Gilsland, 1459). M.P. CUMBERLAND 1442; sumnd. 1459, 1460. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Thomas, lord Dacre of Gilsland (1387-1458), by Phillipe, da. of Ralf Nevill, earl of Westmorland. M. Eleanor, da. of William, lord FitzHugh, who survived him.²

Returned to the Commons 1442, aged 16; summoned to Parlt. as Lord Dacre of Gilsland, 9 Oct. 1459; comn. of array, 21 Dec. 1459, for Cumbd. and Nhd.; while Parlt. was sitting he was granted "for good services against our great rebel, the Duke of York," £40 out of Plumpton, Cumbd., forfeited by the Earl of Salisbury; J.P. Cumbd., 9 Dec. 1459 till death; kntd. (? Xmas.) 1459; on the early 1460 Lancastrian comns., but after the battle of Northampton he was comsmd. by the Yorkists to seize Pomfret and Penrith castles, Oct. 1460, and with Sir Thomas Harrington to raise Westmorland and Cumberland to fight against the rebels, i.e., the Lancastrians. Men may be put on comns. to secure their allegiance, and Dacre fought on the Lancastrian side at Towton, where he was killed 29 Mar. 1461. Humphrey, his bro. and h., was pardoned 1468 and their attainder reversed, 1472.³

DAGVILE (DAGFELD), THOMAS (1390-1449); ald. of Oxford. M.P. Oxford boro' 1433, 1435, 1447.

S. and h. of William Dagfield of the same. Either William or a predecessor of the same name was M.P. for Oxford 1373-84.

On an Oxford jury in 1424. In 1427 there was brought before the court a scholar of Oxford, who was accused of stealing from Thomas Dagfield a scarlet hood valued at 10s.;⁴ bailiff of Oxford 1427-8; ald. of Oxford 1432 till death;⁵ mayor 1434-6, 1443-4; J.P. Oxford 1436 to 1444; elector 1431, 1432, 1437, 1442. As he was an ald. 4 Jan. 1449, and was no longer an ald. 10 Feb. 1449,⁶ he probably *d.* between those dates.

¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 333.

² 11 Aug. 1467, grant for life to Eleanor, late wife of Ralf Dacre, decd., of Fishwick, Lancs., forfeited by his attainder in 1461, also of Dacre, Cumb., 19 May 1468.

³ *Comp. Peer.* iv. 18.

⁴ *Oxford City Documents*, p. 180.

⁵ *Munimenta Civ. Oxon.* pp. 191-210; *Liber Albus*. p. 131; *Oxford City Documents*, 180.

⁶ *Ex inf.* Dr. Salter.

DAGVILE, WILLIAM (1415-76); ald. of Oxford. M.P. Oxford boro' 1449 (1), 1467-8.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Dagvile, M.P. Oxford (1390-1449).

A William Dagvill was sworn to the peace in Oxon., 1434; was trespassed against in Oxford in 1453; an Oxford elector, 1453 and 1472; J.P. Oxford Town 1459 till and after 1475; bailiff 1459; an apportioner of subsidy 1463;¹ alderman, 1463 till death; mayor of Oxford 1465, 1466, 1467, 1472, 1474-5.

D. just before 31 Oct. 1476 when Oriel attended his funeral. Will, pr. at Lincoln, was dat. 1474.²

It must be a s. of the same name who was chamberlain of Oxford in 1484-5, collr. of the 15th in 1487.

DALBY, RICHARD (1410-64); of Brookhampton, Warw., grasier. M.P. East Grinstead 1442.

(This M.P. might be one of two completely different persons. There was a yeoman porter of the gate, King's serjt., porter of Berkhamsted, probably M.P. for Wallingford, 1447; he flourished 1437 to 1448, and died in 1453. He is connected chiefly with county Oxon. and might obviously be the man. But preference must be given to Richard Dalby of Brookhampton as M.P. for East Grinstead, because this was Norfolk's boro' and the porter was dead in 1454.)

Yr. s. of Hugh Dalby of Brookhampton (d. 1439), when John, aged 32, was his s. and h. John d. s.p. and Richard, his bro., was his heir. M. (1) Agnes, da. and h. of John Barbour, whereby Newbold-on-Avon came into the family;³ and (2) Lucy.

Richard was a feoffee for John Mowbray, duke of Norfolk, of lands in Surrey and Sussex, 1454. In the Pardon Roll of 1455 appear Richard Dalby of Brookhampton, Warw., senior, esq., and Lucy, his wife (m.27). This Richard, in 1460, went overseas into Picardy with Nicholas Hussey for the custody of the castle of Guisnes. Some time between 1460 and 1464 he sued Sir Richard Verney for assault at Chepyng-Kington, and the seizure of Dalby's sheep at Brookhampton, whereby 200 perished of cold and hunger.⁴ About the same time he sued Verney again for an annuity out of Compton Verney and for various injuries and assaults.⁵

D. 1464, when Robert was his s. and h.

DALBY, ROBERT. M.P. Wallingford 1447.

No Robert Dalby is to be found. The name should perhaps be:—

DALBY, RICHARD (1390-1453). King's servant 1437-53.

In 1437, being then yeoman of the gate, he was made parker of Rampisham, Dors., during Arundel's minority; in Apr. 1441, porter of Berkhamsted. He was on a comn. in 1441, a grant of lands at Elford, Oxon., was revoked 1446;

¹ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

² *Ex inf.* Dr. Salter.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/481.

⁴ *ibid.* 27/359.

⁵ There was another Richard Dalby, bailiff and M.P. for Gloucester 1421 to 1435.

and, jointly with Richard Waynflete, he had a grant of land at Padbury, Bucks., May 1447. For good service during many years, and because he had reached old age, he was granted a 10 marks pension, 4 June 1448.

Recently dead 10 July 1453, when his portership of Berkhamsted was granted elsewhere.¹

Cf. Richard Dalby M.P. East Grinstead.

DALE, HENRY (1450-1512); ald. of Bristol, merchant. M.P. Bristol 1504, 1510.

Witness to a will in Bristol, 1475; bailiff of Bristol, 1482;² sheriff 1491-2; mayor 1497-8, 1503-4. Admtd. with John Esterfield (*q.v.*) as constable of the staple of wool at Bristol, 22 Sept. 1492, and as mayor of the staple, 22 Sept. 1497. Comnr. of gaol delivery, 1 Feb. 1498; ald. probably from 1498; pardoned 1509, as ald. and mercht.

D. 1512; will, dat. 8 Mar. 1512, pr. 22 Jan. 1513.³

DALTON, JOHN (1415-70); of Newcastle. M.P. Newcastle-on-Tyne 1449 (1).

S. of Richard Dalton, M.P. Newcastle 1413, by his wife Agnes, who afterwards *m.* John Bedford, merchant of Hull.

In Agnes's will, proved 18 Oct. 1459, she leaves to John Dalton her son, 8s. for the Friars minor for the *obit* of her husband, Richard Dalton. And the only other mention of John Dalton is his foundation of a chantry of the Trinity in the church of St. John's, Newcastle, *temp.* Edward IV.

DALTON, JOHN (1450-96); of Hull, merchant. M.P. Hull 1485-6.

Son of John Dalton of same (*d.* 1458); *m.* Katherine da. of Robert Alcock M.P. and niece of the bishop of Worcester.⁴ Brother of Thomas Dalton M.P. Hull 1487, 1497.⁵

Sheriff of Hull 1482-3; mayor 1487-8, 1495-6; on gaol delivery 1491. Died 10 Aug. 1496; M.I.⁶ Will of John Dalton of Hull, merchant, dat. 12 Oct. 1487, pr. at York 7 Sept. 1496.⁷ He was founder of the family of Dalton of Sutton, Hauxwell, etc. His widow *rem.* Robert Harrison of Hull, merchant, and lived till 1541.⁸

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1453), 103.

² Barrett, *Bristol*.

³ To be bur. in St. Leonards. Entails his house on his s. and h., Thomas. £100 to his sons William and Matthew; 40 marks to da. Maude Shippam. Exors.:—Sons Thomas and William (P.C.C., Fetiplace 10). ⁴ *Test. Ebor.* iii. 225n. ⁵ *ibid.* iii. 228n.

⁶ Pray for the soules of John Dalton and Katherin his wyffe, John twice mare, and dyed so ye x day of August ano. dom. m.c.c.c.c.xcvi whose sole God have mercy, 9 sones and 4 da. (*Test. Ebor.* iv. pp. 21-26).

⁷ Body to earth whence it came and, if it please God, to be buried in Trinity Kirk, Hull. Masses for self and father's soul, and for his father Whitfield's. Wife Katherine to have place where he lived, reversion to son Robert. Bequests to "Mother York" (Dame Jane wife of Sir Richard York, *q.v.*), to "granddame Whitfield", to sisters Jane and Margaret Whitfield, to sister Elizabeth Dalton. Sons—William, Robert, Thomas and Anthony; dau. Elizabeth. Exors.:—his excellent wife, his bro. Thomas Dalton (*q.v.*). Supervisor, Master Baxter (*Test. Ebor.* iii. 228). ⁸ *Test. Ebor.* iv. 21-26.

DALTON, RICHARD ; of Worcester. M.P. Worcester city 1478.

He was an elector as well as elected and therefore must have been a citizen of Worcester ; and he was pardoned on the general list, Jan. 1485. But he may be son of Richard Dalton, chapman of Tamworth, Staffs., 1447, and feoffee there for John Russell *c.* 1455.¹

DALTON, THOMAS (1450-1503) ; of Hull, merchant. M.P. Hull 1487, 1497.

Son of John Dalton of same (*d.* 1458), and bro. of John Dalton M.P. (1450-96) ; *m.* Margaret² sister of Laurence Swattok, apothecary of Hull.³ An exor. of his brother's will in 1496.

Sheriff 1484-5 ; mayor 1489-91, 1499-1500 ;⁴ on gaol delivery at Hull, 21 Apr. 1491, being then mayor, and 1498. Died 1502/3. Will of Thomas Dalton, merchant of Hull, dat. 15 June 1497, with a codicil of 15 Jan. 1501, pr. at York 4 Jan. 1504.⁵

DALTON, THOMAS (1415-70) ; of Leicester. M.P. Leicester boro' 1455-6, called "junior".

Steward of Leicester fair, 1451-2 ;⁶ mayor of Leicester, 1454-7 ; apparently mayor in 1455, since Bateson mentions him as giving judgment against Richard Hotoft, bailiff, for trespasses, etc., 7 Nov. 1455 ;⁷ but the name appears as *William* Dalton in the lists given by both Bateson and Hartopp ;⁸ possibly an elector of the boro' in 1450. His name vanishes from the town records before 1470.⁸

DAMME, JOHN (1405-81) ; of Southwold, Suff. ; lawyer. Recorder of Norwich 1453-81. M.P. Yarmouth 1442 ; Norwich 1450-1. Lancastrian.

On Norfolk comns., 1437 to 1462 ; J.P. Norwich, 1439 to 1450 ; an exor. of the will of William Paston the Judge, 1444, for which reason he comes extensively into the Paston Letters. Pardoned, 1446, and again in 1449 ; and for some years he was under-sheriff of Norfolk. Recorder of Norwich, 1450 to 1481 ; J.P. Norfolk, and of the quorum, 9 Oct. 1450 to 1 Dec. 1457 and 29 Nov. 1460 to 23 Nov. 1462.

In 1450 Paston was urged to support Damme's candidature for Parliament at Norwich ; in 1451 he was on the list of those oppressed and wronged by Heydon and Tuddenham ; it was rumoured that the Earl of Oxford, Yelverton, Paston and Damme should be indicted for maintenance in Kent, Mar. 1451—these were Lancastrians. It was rumoured soon after that Damme was to be indicted for treason. Damme (or John of Dam, as he is often called) was a friend and adviser of John Paston, and was threatened, together with Paston and Lord Moleyns, in the suit about Gresham manor in Feb. 1455. It was said that there was a plot to

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/393.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 15/263.

³ *Test. Ebor.* iii. p. 228 n.

⁴ *ibid.* iv. p. 126.

⁵ To be bur. where he dies, but if in Hull, in Trinity Ch. Bequests to children of his bro. John, and to Henry Mindrowne (*q.v.*). Supervisor :—Ralph Langton (*Test. Ebor., ut supra.*).

⁶ Bateson, *Leicester*, 453.

⁷ *ibid.* 263.

⁸ Hartopp, *Roll of Mayors of Leicester*, 36.

murder Damme after Wakefield fight, 1461, and he is reported to be free and in London in 1462. In Dec. 1477 Margery Paston refers to a visit that she had had from John of Dam.

D. ? 1481. He is not the same as John Damme the yr., of Sustead, Norfolk, almost a contemporary.

DANBY, THOMAS (1405-58); ald. of York, mercer. M.P. York city 1453-4.

In July 1439, Thomas Danby of York and others were pardoned for shipping uncoketted goods from Hull in June 1436. Danby had shipped 40 barrels of beer and other merchandise to the value of £36 13s. 4d. He was chamberlain of York city, 1438;¹ sheriff, 1439-40;² an elector, 1442, 1449 (1), 1449 (2); pardoned, 20 June 1446, as citizen and mercer of York (m.42). He was one of the north countrymen pardoned in June 1449; mayor of York, 1452-3, when returned; was owed money by a draper of Coventry in 1455; and in Sept. 1455 he was pardoned with other Lancastrians as "of York, merchant, citizen and mercer" (m.26).

D. 3 May 1458;³ will of Thomas Danby, alderman of York, dat. 29 Apr., pr. at York, 20 May 1458 (2.364); buried at Holy Trinity, Goodraingate.⁴ His wife died soon after; will of Maud, late wife of Thomas Danby, alderman of York, dat. 31 May 1459, pr. at York, 31 Dec. 1463 (2.595).

DANESTER, JOHN (1455-1504); of Exeter, merchant. M.P. Exeter 1495, 1497.

Bailiff of Exeter 1493-4; senior bailiff or receiver 1497-8; mayor, Feb. to c. 13 Mar. 1504, when he died of the plague.² Will of John Danester of Exeter, merchant, dat. 6 Mar. and pr. 3 Apr. 1504.³ William Frost succeeded him as mayor.

DANIEL (DANYELL), THOMAS (1415-82); of Frodsham, Cheshire; of the Household 1440-61; Chamberlain of Chester 1445-50; King's Remembrancer 1447-50; Squire of the Body 1449; constable of Castle Rising 1449-60. M.P. CORNWALL 1445-6; BUCKINGHAMSHIRE and Bedwin 1447;⁴ BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 1449 (1); (? MIDDLESEX) 1453-4; Cricklade 1455-6;⁵ (? BUCKINGHAMSHIRE) 1459. Lancastrian.

Yr. s. of William Daniel of Daresbury, Chesh.; *m.* Margaret, sis. of John Howard, 1st duke of Norfolk, and apparently left no issue.

He was already a King's servant, and receiving the perquisites of such, in 1440; obtained Frodsham for life, May 1441, being described as one of the King's

¹ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records. ² Exeter Receiver's Rolls, *per* J. J. Alexander.

³ To be bur. in Bow church, and his bro. William Ussher to agree with the parson for fees. Bequests to his mother Margaret Danester. His w. Jane to have lands for life, reversion to s. John. Gifts to churches of Orsell, Ottershaw and Chobham. Exors. :—w. Jane and s. John. Overseers :—Bro. William Usher of London, and William Frost of Exeter (P.C.C., 5 Holgrave).

⁴ The christian name is omitted in the Bedwin schedule, just as though the sheriff knew whom he had to put in but did not know his christian name.

⁵ Here again the christian name is missing. In both cases Thomas Daniel seems to be the only Daniel in the field.

henxmen ;¹ master and surveyor of the King's forests in Cheshire, Mar. 1444 ; chamberlain of Chester, Feb. 1445. He was an Usher of the Chamber at the coronation of Queen Margaret, and in 1446 had various grants as King's Squire in Westd., more particularly at Troutbeck. Jointly with Edmund Montfort (*q.v.*), he was made master of the game in all parks of Warw. and Staffs., 1446 ; and jointly with John Troutbeck he was made King's Remembrancer in the Exchequer, Mar. 1447. For good service he had a permit to inclose and crenelate Roydon by Castle Rising in Apr. 1447.²

By this time he must have *m.* Margaret, sis. of John Howard, afterwards Duke of Norfolk,³ and was opposed to the Duke of Suffolk. The Pastons report in 1447 that "my lord Daniel is said to be out of favour, and that all who had opposed the Duke of Suffolk should repent it."⁴ At that moment he was sheriff of Norfolk and Suffolk, 1446-7, and had been elected to Parlt. for both Bucks. and Bedwin. J.P. Bucks., 20 Aug. 1446 to 4 Aug. 1453 ; J.P. Norfolk, 19 Dec. 1447 to 9 Oct. 1450 ; in July 1447 he was commanded to go with his posse on the sea, presumably as sheriff ; and in Oct. 1447 he probably voyaged into Brittany, for which voyage Sir John Fastolf advanced £100.⁵ In Sept. 1448 he was made constable of Castle Rising, and in Dec., as King's squire and usher of the Chamber, his Christmas grant consisted of a piece of blue cloth, interwoven with gold. He heads the list of the Herts. electors, 1449 (1), and he was a squire of the body.⁶ To him in May 1449 the exploits of the fleet are recounted in a letter from Robert Wennington (*q.v.*). By now Daniel was regarded as an adherent of the Duke of Suffolk. Pasquinades on Suffolk always included Daniel.

"Who but Danyel, *qui lasarum* shall sing
For Jack Nape's soul, *placebo et dirige*."

"Tom of Say and Danyel both
To begin be not too loth
Then shall ye have no shame."

For a while he continued to prosper. He was exempted from the Act of Resumption of 1449-50. Lord Scales writes to Paston that "Danyelle hath entered Brayston", which belonged to Osbert Mountford, and he had been given Castle Rising by the King.⁷ In May 1450 he was Suffolk's deputy as steward of the Duchy of Lancaster beyond Trent. But after Cade's victory at Sevenoaks, 18 May 1450, the King's troops, turning mutinous, demanded the heads of Lords Saye and Dudley, of Daniel, Trevelyan, Norris, etc. The Parlt. of 1450-1 denounced him. A comn. was set up in Oct. 1451 to indict Thomas Daniel, late of London, esq., for treason and felony. The Earl of Oxford was one of his pledges, going bail to have him before the King to find security for good behaviour towards Henry Woodhouse ;⁸ the Earl of Oxford was pardoned in Apr. 1451, and in Nov.

¹ *Privy Coun. Proc.* v. 144.

² *Cal. Char. Rolls*, vi. 80.

³ *Paston Letters*, i. 228.

⁴ *Paston Letters*, i. 68, 69, 70.

⁵ *ibid.* i. 363.

⁶ Issue Roll, Easter 27 Hen. VI, No. 775.

⁷ *Paston Letters*, i. 117.

⁸ Woodhouse's petition in the 1455 Parlt. was to the effect that Daniel had made a settlement on the marriage of his sister Elizabeth to Woodhouse, and she had secretly married someone else, and now Daniel would not convey the lands to him (*Rot. Parl.* v. 341).

Thomas Daniel was pardoned also¹—and the Pastons drew up in vain a list of jurors in legal cases who received money from both parties (ambidexters), which list included Thomas Daniel.² In vain Sir John Fastolf sued him for slanderous language in claiming to be heir to Fastolf's lands in Norfolk and Suffolk, 1450/3.³ He recovered with the Lancastrian Party; in 1452 he was lieutenant to Sir Andrew Ogard as constable of Wisbech castle; he must have been in the 1453 Parlt.⁴ On 19 Jan. 1454 Daniel, Tresham and Trevelyan "made a Bill to the Lords, desiring to have a garrison kept at Windsor for the safeguard of the King and Prince."⁵ Tresham certainly sat in that Parliament for N'hants., Trevelyan for Cornwall. It looks as though Daniel was also in Parlt. in which case he probably sat for Mdsx. By 1454 this Parlt. was markedly Lancastrian. He still held Castle Rising in Nov. 1455, after St. Albans had restored Yorkists to office.⁶ According to the *Paston Letters* (i. 522), he was at the Lancastrian Parlt. in 1459, and he is named first of those who took an active part there—Daniel, Fortescue, Alexander Hody, Dr. Aleyn, Heydon, and Thorpe. We do not know what happened to him in 1460, but he fought at Towton in Mar. 1461, and was attainted in July as "late of Rising."⁷ Lands forfeited by him were distributed, some to his bro.-in-law, John Howard. In Mar. 1464 he was reported to be in Cheshire. By the end of that year he had found shelter with the last of the Lancastrians in Harlech castle. When Harlech surrendered in 1468 he may have recovered at least Castle Rising, for he was on Norf. comns. in 1469, and restored to the bench, Feb. to Dec. 1470. He took no traceable part in the Readeption, but a comn. issued for his arrest in July 1471 may perhaps imply disaffection. However, his bro.-in-law saved him again, and in Mar. 1472 a general pardon was issued to Daniel, as "son of William Daniel of Daresbury, Cheshire, esq., *alias* late of London, *alias* late of Norfolk," and in the next Parlt. he obtained the reversal of his attainder. J.P. Norf. again 23 Nov. 1472 to 2 Dec. 1473.

He was now 60, but not at the end of his career. Lands in Ireland were granted him, Aug. 1474; once more made yeoman of the Crown with 6*d.* a day for his fee, 1475. He had trouble with his servants in Ches., but went to Ireland where he must have died, probably early in 1482 for on 14 May 1482 the Irish manors which Thomas Daniel, decd., had had were granted to Thomas FitzJames.

DANIELS (DANYELLS), JOHN (1415-74);⁸ of Scarborough. M.P. Scarborough 1455-6, (possibly 1423, 1429-30).

Probably s. of the M.P. of 1423 and 1429, and not himself the earlier M.P.;⁹ sued by John Acclombe (*q.v.*) of Scarborough for land in the fields of Scarborough,

¹ General pardon to Thomas Daniel esq. of Cheshire, late sheriff of Norfolk and Suffolk, searcher of the port of London, bailiff of Derbyshire, usher of the Chamber, bailiff of Eddisbury hundred, late of Westminster, late of Frodsham, late of Castle Rising, late of London, of all offences and outlawries. ² *Paston Letters*, i. 192.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 19/115.

⁴ A Norfolk elector. 1453.

⁵ *Paston Letters*, i. 264-5.

⁶ As "late of Castle Rising, late of Framlingham, Suffolk, late of Burton, Lincs.", he had Letters of Protection to be with the Earl of Northumberland in the north for the safeguarding and victualling of Berwick; but they were revoked, 17 Nov. 1457, because he tarried in London.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. 479, 480.

⁸ Of an ancient Scarborough family, according to Baker, *Hist. of Scarborough*, 431-2.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 10/240.

1440; comnr. in Yorks., 1438; exempted from holding any office against his will, 1446; on comn. to arrest Andrew Trolop, 1454.

Will of John Daniels of Scarborough, dat. 8 Feb., pr. at York 26 Mar. 1474. Richard Daniels (*d.* 1438), burgess of Scarborough, may be his father.

DANVERS, RICHARD (1418-89); of Prescott, Oxon., gent.; lawyer. M.P. Shaftesbury 1449 (1); Horsham 1449-50.

Perhaps s. of Robert Danvers M.P. Oxon., 1420-37, certainly bro. of Sir Robert Danvers, Justice of the Common Pleas.

Elector, Sussex, 1442; a feoffee in Sussex, 1449; escheator, N'hants., 1449-50.² On Oxon. comns. from 1452, and, like most lawyers, under all parties, including the Readeption and Richard III; J.P. Oxon., and of the quorum, 8 May 1453 to 20 Nov. 1458, and 17 Nov. 1468 till death. As a stapler he was allowed to recover money lent to the King, by licence to ship wool from Boston, Oct. 1454. Pardoned, 12 Oct. 1455, and 20 Apr. 1461, as "gent., late eschr., *alias* late collector of customs in Southampton"; and again 18 July 1468, when called "of Prescot, Oxon., gent., late of London, exor. of the will of Robert Danvers, knt." Apportioner of subsidy 1463.

Danvers had free warren in his demesne lands at Culworth, N'hants., and at Prescott, Oxon., in June 1474. On 29 Sept. 1475 he was apptd. controller of the subsidies in the port of London, provided that he do it in person. He had ceased to be controller by 1479, and was pardoned again 18 Mar. 1483.³ When Henry VII arrived he was pardoned again, 13 Dec. 1485, and of course remained on the bench.⁴

D. 14 Feb. 1489, when Richard,⁵ aged 40, was his s. and h.; lands—Oxon. and N'hants.

DANVERS, (Sir) THOMAS (1425-1502); of Waterstock, Oxon.; lawyer; servant to Bp. Waynflete. M.P. Downton 1459; Hindon 1467-8; Downton (? 1470-1), 1472-5, 1478 (and ? 1483, ? 1484).

Eld. s. of John Danvers of Banbury by Jane da. and h. of John Barentyne,⁶ and elder bro. of Sir William Danvers the judge; *m.* Isabel *alias* Sibill da. of Richard Quatremaine (*q.v.*);⁷ she survived him without issue.

J.P. Oxon., and of the quorum, 16 Mar. to 20 Nov. 1458, 28 Feb. 1474 to Nov. 1475, 3 Oct. 1480 to 20 Sept. 1485, 12 Dec. 1485 till death; on Oxon. comns. from 1459; pardoned 28 Feb. 1462 with other Lancastrians, "of London, esq." He was suing in 1465/70 in connection with a marriage which had not been

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 9/245.

² He had acquired land at Culworth, N'hants., from his bro., Sir Robert, and the Pardon Roll of 1455 describes him as late eschr. of N'hants. and Rutland (*m.26*).

³ As "of Prescot, late of London, late collector of subsidies in the port of London, late controller, late exor. of his brother's will" (*m.1*).

⁴ Late "of Prescote, esq., *alias* Davers gent., *alias* late of London, gent." (*m.1*).

⁵ His son Richard had issue, Sir John Danvers of Dauntsey, Wilts. (*Geneal. N.S.* xi. 257).

⁶ Adderbury, Oxon., was settled in 1445 on John Danvers of Banbury, the elder, with successive remainders to his sons Thomas, William, Simon and Henry, and his five das. (*Geneal.* xx. 157).

⁷ *Visitn. Oxon.* 187.

effected between himself and Dame Margaret Lucy.¹ In May 1468 he and Hugh Mille were arrested for treason, but acquitted, having the good fortune to be tried by Judge Markham.² Pardoned, 10 Dec. 1471.³ In 1472 he was a mainpernor for the Bp. of Winchester for the keeping of a messuage called le Cheker on le Hope in the parish of St. Clement's Dane.⁴ J.P. Hants, 30 Nov. 1476 to 17 Jan. 1481, 14 May 1483 to 1485; controller of customs at Southampton, 10 Mar. 1477. In 1479 he joined with Waynflete in endowing Magdalen College, Oxon. In 1482 he acquired Henton and Wymalle near Chinnor, Oxon., from John Barentyne in right of his mother, Jane.

He served on all the comns. of 1483, 1484, for both Oxon. and Hants, 'being throughout Waynflete's man, and through that Bishop and Chancellor he must have got his seat at Downton. He was one of those "servants" remembered in Waynflete's will, 1486.⁵ Thereafter he was on all the gaol delivery comns. for Oxford and Wallingford, and in 1501 he endowed Magdalen with the advowsons of Slimbridge, Glos., and Findon, Sussex. He and his bro. the judge were kntd. simultaneously in Oct. 1501.

D. 1501/2. Will of Thomas Danvers knt. of Waterstoke, Oxon., dat. 1 Nov. 1501 "remembering my great age," pr. by relict 26 Sept. 1502.⁶

DANVERS, (Sir) WILLIAM (1428-1504); of Thatcham, Berks. Serjt.-at-law 1487-8; Justice of K.B. 1488-1504. M.P. Taunton⁷ 1467-8, (? 1470-1), 1472-5; Hindon⁷ 1478; (probably somewhere 1483 Jan. and 1484). Sumnd. 1489-90, 1491-2, 1495, 1497, 1504.

Second s. of John Danvers of Banbury by Jane da. and h. of John Barentyne and yr. bro. of Sir Thomas Danvers M.P. (1425-1502); *m.* possibly as his second wife, Anne da. and h. of John Pury⁸ (*q.v.*), by whom he had John Danvers (1477-1508) and Thomas, aged 30 in 1517.

J.P. Oxon., and of the quorum, 25 Sept. 1456 to 20 Nov. 1458, 28 Feb. 1474 to 5 Dec. 1483, 7 Jan. 1468 till death; J.P. Berks., 20 Nov. 1458 to 12 July 1471; eschr., Berks. and Oxon., 1459-60; an apportioner of the subsidy in Berks. 1463;⁹ on Oxon. or Berks. comns. from 1459, including all those of 1483-4. As Serjt.-at-law he was made supervisor of the will of Thomas Lloyd of Salop, 1487. Justice of Assize in the North, 18 June 1488; Justice of the King's Bench, 5 Dec. 1488.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/298.

² Scofield, *Edw. IV*, i. 454.

³ "late of London, esq., *alias* gent., *alias* late of Watyrstoke, Oxon."

⁴ Fine Roll, 12 Edw. IV (m.2).

⁵ Chandler, *Life of Waynflete*.

⁶ "If I die at Waterstok then to be buried in chancel." Bequests to mother ch. of Lincoln, to the Oxford Friars, to New Coll., Oxford; to bro. Sir Wm. Danvers, justice, a silver basin and ewer engraved with arms of father and mother. To churches of Ikford, Aldebury and Milton; to Ric. Croke s. to Agnes da. of my bro. Henry, and Rob. Croke his bro. £10 when of age; to six servants by name. Exors. to sell his lands at Langstok and Winchester for masses for him and my lord Waynefflete. Residue to repair bridges and churches. His settled estates to wife for life while sole, and then to right heirs. Residue to Dame Sibill my wife and she sole exix. Overseer, bro. Sir Wm. Danvers (P.C.C., 10 Blamyr).

⁷ Both boroughs of the Bp. of Winchester.

⁸ *Visitn. Oxon.* 187.

⁹ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

He and his bro. were kntd. simultaneously with 24 others at the marriage of Prince Arthur, Oct. 1501. Sir William had the custody of Chilworth, Oxon., in 1503,¹ and *d.* 19 Apr. 1504. Will,² dat. 18 Apr., pr. 8 May 1504.

DANYELLS see DANIELS.

DARCY, ROBERT (1385-1448); of Maldon; Keeper of the Writs of the Common Pleas; lawyer. M.P. ESSEX 1416 (1), 1419, 1421 (1); Maldon 1422; ESSEX 1423-4, 1425, 1426, 1432, 1439-40, 1445-6.

S. and h. of Thomas Darcy of the same by a da. of Torell;³ *m.*⁴ (1) Margaret; and (2) Alice, sister and coh. of Henry Fillongley (*q.v.*). His s. and h. Sir Robert (1420-1469) was M.P. for Essex in 1450-1.

Frequently a feoffee in Essex from 1421; for James Butler, earl of Ormond, 1430; joined with the Duke of Bedford in endowing St. John's Convent, Colchester, 1432; trustee for St. Oswyth's monastery, 1434; a feoffee for John Dorward (*q.v.*), 1433, and elsewhere in Essex year after year, including a trusteeship for John de Vere, earl of Oxford; eschr., Essex and Herts., 1419-21, 1427-8; J.P. Essex, and of the quorum, 16 June 1410 to 16 Nov. 1413, 12 Dec. 1414 to 20 July 1424, and 3 June 1427 till death; sworn to the peace in Essex 1434. On the death of the Duke of Bedford he was made (1436) steward of Bradwell, Essex. On 16 Oct. 1440 Robert Darcy and Henry Fillongley were granted jointly the office of Keeper of the Writs and Rolls of the Common Bench in lieu of a grant of the same made by Henry IV to Robert Darcy sole; he held this office till death.

He was buying much land in these years, was bailiff of Rochford Hundred, and in 1442 founded a chantry at Danbury, Essex; pardoned June 1446.⁵

D. 3 Sept. 1448.⁶

DARCY, (Sir) ROBERT (1420-69); of Maldon and Danbury. M.P. ESSEX 1450-1. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Robert Darcy of Maldon, M.P. (1386-1448), by Alice (Fillongley); *m.* Elizabeth, da. of Thomas Tyrell of Heron, Essex. She *rem.* Richard Haute M.P. in 1470.⁷ He had licence to found a chantry to pray for the souls of Robert, his father, and of Margaret and Alice, his father's wives, Dec. 1450. J.P. Essex, 12 May 1453 to 1461, and 24 Nov. 1464 till death; elector, Essex, 1455; sheriff, Essex and Herts., 1458-9; on the Lancastrian comn. of array for Essex, Dec. 1459.

¹ Palmer's Index to Fine Rolls.

² To be bur. at Thatcham, Berks., if he die there; otherwise where he dies. Bequest to Isabel his da. for her marriage £100. Residue to Anne his wife, John his s. and h. and Thomas his s., and they exors. (P.C.C., 5 Holgrave).

³ Morant, *Essex*, i. 396.

⁴ Chantry founded by his son in 1450 to pray for souls of his father and Margaret and Alice his two wives.

⁵ "Senior, exor. of the will of John de Bohun, *alias* keeper of the rolls of the Common Bench" (m.45).

⁶ Issue Roll, Mich. 31 Hen. VI, No. 791.

⁷ Robert Harleston and Alice his wife, late the wife of John Barners, sued Richard Haute and Dame Elizabeth his wife, exix. and late the wife of Robert Darcy knt., *re* the settlement on Alice, 1469/70 (*Early Chan. Proc.* 31/69).

In June 1458 he settled Darcy lands in Farmbridge, Essex, on Anne, widow of John Barrow of Maldon.¹ Pardoned, 16 Mar. 1462,² and Dec. 1458;³ kntd., 26 May 1465, at Queen Elizabeth's coronation.

D. 2 Nov. 1469, when Thomas, aged 10, was his s. and h.

DARELL,⁴ CONSTANTINE (1435-1508); of Collingbourne Abbas, Wilts., esq. M.P. Marlborough 1459.

Yr. s. of Sir William Darell of Capel, Kent (*d.* 1467, M.P. Wilts. 1427-32),⁵ by Elizabeth da. and h. of Thomas Calston of Littlecote, Wilts.; *m.* Jane (*d.* 6 Dec. 1495),⁶ widow of Richard Holt of Colrithe, Hants, junr., gent., and da. and h. of Robert Collingbourne, M.P. Bedwin 1431,⁷ by whom he had Marmaduke, Constantine, Valentine, Mary and Anne.

Apptd. troncr and peseur of Lynn, Norfolk, during pleasure, 9 May 1459;⁸ pardoned, with his wife, as "of Collingbourne Aston, Wilts., esq.", 8 Mar. 1484;⁹ sheriff, Wilts., 1490-1, 1496-7; a feoffee for John Seymour of Hatch, Som., 7 Nov. 1494.¹⁰

D. 1507/8; Will dat. 5 Feb. 1507, pr. 11 Apr. 1508;¹¹ buried in Collingbourne church—M.I.

DAUBENY, Sir GILES (Lord Daubeney 1486) K.G. (1451-1508); of Barington and South Petherton, Som.; sq. and knt. of the Body 1477-83; master of Mint 1485-1508; Chambn. of the Exchr. 1487-95; Chambn. of Household 1495-1508. M.P. SOMERSET 1478, (and prob. 1483 Jan. and June, and 1485-6).¹² Sumnd. 1487, 1489-90, 1491-2, 1495, 1497, 1504.

S. and h. of William Daubeney of same M.P. (1424-61) by Alice (Stourton); *m.* by 1476, Elizabeth da. of Sir John Arundell of Lanherne, Corn.¹³

He sailed on the King's expedition to France in 1475 with 4 men at arms and 50 archers;¹⁴ sq. of the body by July 1477; kntd. 18 Jan. 1478, just after election to Parlt.; knt. of the Body by Mar. 1480. When returned to Parlt. in 1478 he

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 354.

² As of Maldon, Essex, *alias* of Danby, Essex, *alias* late of Canewedon, Essex, *alias* late sheriff, *alias* late of Danbury (m.30).

³ Where his father is called late bailiff of Rochford Hundred, cousin (*i.e.* bro.-in-law) and heir of Henry Felongley, late Clerk of the King's Bench (m.16).

⁴ Arms:—Az., a lion rampant or, crowned gu.

⁵ In 1468 Sir George, Sir Richard, Constantine, Alexander, and Thomas Darell were found to be the sons and heirs of William Darell of Capel, decd.; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1468), 70-1. Sir George Darell was apptd. Keeper of the Gt. Wardrobe, 17 Apr. 1461; *ibid.* (1461), 17.

⁶ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. p. 563. Marmaduke Darell, aged 30, was her s. and h.; lands, Hants.

⁷ Kito, *Wilts. Brasses*, 38.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1459), 483.

⁹ Pardon Roll, 8 Mar. 1484 (m.11).

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1494), 7.

¹¹ P.C.C., 34 Adeane. To be bur. in the chancel of Collingbourne ch.; bequests to Constantine, Valentine, Mary and Anne Darell; residue to Richard Belton, vicar and exor.; overseer, John Yerby and Anne Darell (Anne *m.* John Ernley of Earnley, Sussex; *Visitn. Wilts.*).

¹² He may have sat in 1483 and 1485 for Somerset or for Bridgwater; being made constable of that boro'.

¹³ *Comp. Peer.* iv. 102.

¹⁴ *Foedera*, V. iii. 57.

was admitted to Lincoln's Inn on payment, much as one would now be put up for a London club.¹ J.P. Somerset, 12 Nov. 1475 to 21 Apr. 1483, 26 July to 5 Dec. 1483; sheriff, Somerset and Dorset, 1474-5; under-sheriff of Cornwall, 1476-7; sheriff, Som. and Dorset, 1480-1; of Devon, 1481-2; constable of Bridgwater for life, 17 Feb. 1483. He also held South Ingleby, Lincs. Daubeney did not accommodate himself to Richard III, rose in the Duke of Buckingham's rebellion in Wilts., and was attainted "late of Barnington knt.", 1484. He escaped overseas and returned with Henry Tudor to Milford Haven and Bosworth.

Then the attainder was reversed; he was put on the bench, 20 Sept. 1485, in seven counties; made steward of the Duchy in Hants and Dorset; constable of Winchester; master of the hart-hounds; constable of Bristol, 12 Oct.; master of the mint for life, 2 Nov. 1485; Lieut. of Calais, 7 Mar. 1486; created Lord Daubeney 12 Mar. 1486 on the rising of the Parlt. in which he probably sat. He was exempted and pardoned; K.G. by May, and Chamberlain at the receipt of the Exchq., 29 Dec. 1487. On 13 June 1489, during the recess, he won the battle of Dixmude and took Ostende. Ambassador to Burgundy and France in 1486, 1492; constable of Windsor 1493; Justice of Forests south of Trent 1493; Chamberlain of the Household 1495 till death. Commanded the King's army at Blackheath 17 June 1497.

D. 21 May 1508.² Will of Giles Daubeney, knt., lord Daubeney, Chamberlain to the King who had been the King's servt. 26 years; dated 19 May 1508.³ He was succeeded by Henry his s. and h., aged 16 in 1510. He had also a da. Cecily who *m.* John Bouchier, lord Fitzwaryn.⁴

DAUBENY, WILLIAM (1424-61); of Barrington and Petherton, Som., and of Kempston, Beds. M.P. BEDFORDSHIRE 1449 (1).

S. and h. of Sir Giles Daubeney of the same M.P. (1399-1446)⁵ by Jane third da. of Sir Philip, lord Darcy of Knaith, Lincs.; *m.* Alice, da. and coh. of John Stourton of Preston-Plucknett, Som. (*q.v.*).

Pardoned with his wife Alice, 15 Sept. 1446; sheriff of Cornwall 1452-3.

D. 2 Jan. 1461, when Giles, aged 9, was his s. and h.; custody of the heir Giles was given to Sir Thomas Kyriel, who was beheaded within the month, 14 Jan. 1461. Giles (*q.v.*) was summoned as Lord Daubeney, 1486.⁶

DAUNT, JOHN (1420-71); of Wootton-under-Edge, Glos. King's Serjeant; yeoman of the Crown 1452-60. M.P. Wootton Bassett 1449-50. Lancastrian.

¹ *Black Bk. of Lincoln's Inn*, 64.

² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 445, 510, 528; *Foedera*, V. iii. 173, 182; iv. 45, 155; *Comp. Peer.*, *ut supra*.

³ To be bur. in Westminster Abbey. Bequests to his wife Elizabeth. Exors.:—Robert Sheffield, knt. (*q.v.*), Christopher Urswick, clerk, Thomas Pygot, Richard Coffyn, Thomas Englishe, gent. Supervisors:—Richard, bp. of Winchester, John, earl of Oxford, Thomas Lovell, knt. (P.C.C., 16 Bennett).

⁴ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Giles Daubeney.

⁵ William Daubeney s. and h. of Giles Daubeney knt. had livery of his lands, 19 Feb. 1446 (Fine Roll, 24 Hen. VI).

⁶ *Comp. Peer.* iv. 101.

Second s. of Nicholas Daunte of Wootton-under-Edge (*d.* 1446), by Alice Tracye; *m.* Anne, da. of Robert Stowell of Somerset, and she *rem.* John Clevedon of Mere.¹

Pardoned, 16 July 1446, as "of Wotton-under-Edge, Glos., gent., late of London, late of Bernard's Inn in Holborn in the suburbs of London, *alias* son of Nicholas Daunt of Wotton-under-Edge." As King's serjeant and groom he was made parker of Mere, Wilts., 4 June 1451; renewed to him as Yeoman of the Crown, with 4*d.* a day, June 1453. He was Yeoman of the Crown from Mich. 1452 onwards, with 6*d.* a day from the issues of Wilts., taking the place of John Norris, late yeoman of the Crown. He remained Lancastrian and in Jan. 1462 a comn. was issued for the arrest of Daunt and others, including the vicar of Mere, "evil-disposed persons and adherents to Henry VI." He was still alive in 1471, for Edward, Prince of Wales, on landing in April wrote to John Daunte asking him for his support; and there is a tradition that Queen Margaret slept at his manor house on her way to Tewkesbury. Perhaps he was killed at Tewkesbury. His son John married Margery, da. and h. of Robert Owlpen of Owlpen, Glos., and died 1525.²

DAUNTSEY (DAUNDESEY), JOHN (1415-80); of Trowbridge, Wilts. King's Serjeant 1444; Yeoman of the Chamber 1449-51; Constable of Bristol 1451-60. M.P. Gatton 1453-4. Lancastrian.

He was a feoffee in Essex in 1440. The King's Serjeant, John Dauntsey, had a grant of a tenement at West Harptree, Som., May 1444. In 1445 Lord Hungerford and Dauntsey were surviving feoffees of Gannow Manor, Worcs.³ Parliament exempted Dauntsey as yeoman of the chamber in respect of his Harptree grant in 1449-50,⁴ and he was made porter of Bristol castle, 21 May 1451. Elector, Wilts., 1453, when returned for Gatton. He lost his posts and lands when Edward IV came. The Harptree grant, as lately held by John Dauntsey from Henry VI, was granted to Richard Felde in May 1463. He settled in Wilts. at Trowbridge from 1462 onwards, often on juries at Malmesbury, Pottern and Salisbury. In 1475 John Dauntsey senior, coroner of Wilts., and John Dauntsey junior were jurors at Salisbury.⁵ In 1479 a John Dauntsey was buying land in London.⁶ Probably father of the first Dauntsey of West Lavington which is near Trowbridge.⁷

DAVELL, JOHN. M.P. Lostwithiel 1447.

In 1460/5 Richard Frank and Agnes his wife, da. of William Davill, sued John Davill and William his s. for the profits of a messuage and land in Lyncombe, Somerset, mortgaged by the said William Davill.⁸ Also a John Davills, *alias* Davels, held land in Torrington and South Wanford, Devon, in 1491.⁹

¹ *Visitn. Glos.* 213.

² John Daunt, *Some Account of the Family of Daunt.*

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 329.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* v. 199.

⁵ *Ancient Indicts.* of K.B.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 66/466.

⁷ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/87.

⁹ *Cal. Inq. Henry VII*, i. pp. 65, 282, 290.

DAVY, RICHARD (1430-84); of Winchelsea.

M.P. Winchelsea 1472-5.

In Apr. 1458 Richard Davy of Winchelsea was rewarded for capturing a boat called a pynk and 280 fleeces, probably uncustomed.¹ It may be the same man who was collector of customs and subsidy in Chichester, Oct. 1460.² (Possibly he is the Richard Davy "of the King's Household" in 1457;³ in which case he owned an inn called "le Herteshorn" in Smithfield and was a feoffee for "le Rose" in Southwark between "ley Steweside" and "Maiden Lane.")⁴ Mayor of Winchelsea, 1474;⁵ on an array comn. at Winchelsea, 31 Jan. 1484. He must have died soon after as during 1483/5 John Thoreston and Jane his wife, late wife of Richard Davy, sued John Godard and other feoffees for lands in Rye.⁶ But there were at least two other Richard Davys. One "of Tenterden" died in 1481,⁷ and another "of Northfleet esq." in 1490.⁸

DAVY, THOMAS (1440-1505); of Leicester, grocer.
boro' 1495, 1497.

M.P. Leicester

He was a grocer in Leicester 1464;⁹ and Thomas Davy and Jane his wife, who were to be prayed for in the Covely chantry at Swinford, Leics., in 1474,¹⁰ may well be his parents. He was mayor of Leicester 1488-90;¹¹ steward of the fair there 1491-2, 1497-8; still living 31 July 1500, when it was noted that the town owed him, all things reckoned, "for hys burgys pens (expenses) the said daye" 40s.—probably this means that he was M.P. in 1497 also.

DAVY (*alias* TRELAKE), WILLIAM (1415-80); of Totnes.
Barnstaple 1447.

M.P.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Davy.¹²

In 1448, William Davy, of Gratton, Devon, labourer, was pardoned with others for outlawry, but this is unlikely to be the Member for Barnstaple. Another William Davy lived in Herts. at this time. Certainly it was the Member for Barnstaple who granted, in conjunction with his wife Margaret, land at Tybecombe in Dec. 1450; the witnesses include the names of John Baxter, mayor of Totnes, and Nicholas Cohew (*q.v.*).¹³ The Pardon Roll, 20 Jan. 1459, includes "William Trelake, *alias* Davy, late of Totnes, Devon, yeoman" (m.39). One last possible reference to the man:—In 1475 William Davy of Moreton-Hampstead, Devon, was indicted before the King's Bench.¹⁴

DAWEN' see DAWNAY.

DAWNAY (DAWEN'), WILLIAM (1400-60); of Devon.
mouth 1449 (1), 1450-1.

M.P. Ply-

¹ Issue Roll, Easter 36 Hen. VI, No. 814.² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 391.³ *Sussex Arch. Soc.* xxiii. 33.⁴ *Canterbury Prob. Reg.*⁵ Bateson, *Leicester*, 283.⁶ *ibid.* 448.⁷ Hugh R. Watkin, *Totnes*, 417.⁸ *ibid.* Mich. 39 Hen. VI, No. 820.⁹ *ibid.* ii. 388.¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 39/39.¹¹ Will, P.C.C., 41 Milles.¹² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1474), 443.¹³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/485.¹⁴ *Anc. Indicts.*, Index at Her. Coll.

It is strange that this man occurs nowhere in the Patent Rolls. He was cousin and heir-male of Sir John Dawnay, while Edward Courtenay, earl of Devon, was another cousin.¹ Sir Nicholas Dawnay had been Member for Devon in 1316.

However, in 1423 William Dawnay was one of several (including Hugh Courtenay of Haccombe and Sir Hugh Luttrell and John and Henry Fortescu) who were feoffees of the manor of Colyton. Therefore he was an oldish man when he sat for Plymouth.

DAWTRY, (Sir) JOHN (1465-1518); of Southampton, contractor. Customer 1490-1518; deputy butler 1505-18; keeper of Carisbrooke 1509-18. M.P. Southampton 1491-2, 1495, (perhaps 1497, 1504).²

S. of Andrew Dawtry of Sussex by Alison da. of ——— Mylle of Hants; *m.* (1) Jane, widow of Watkyn Williams, and da. and h. of Piers Scardeville, and (2) Isabel. His da. Anne *m.* Sir John Ernley, C.J. Common Pleas.³

On Hants comms., gaol delivery and array, from 1497 to 1514; J.P. Hants, 14 July 1498 till death. He was a customer of Southampton by 1490;⁴ controller by 1500, with £55 a year and £20 extra for the supervision of other customers; deputy butler of Southampton 1505 till death. Outside these formal official duties his activities were almost modern. He was speculating in tin in 1495;⁵ contracting to repair ships;⁶ repairing the dungeon at Porchester castle 1501;⁷ contracting for military and naval stores. He victualled the King's ships at Southampton and at Dover,⁸ paid the wages of the crew of the *Fortune* of Dover.⁹ £6,000 was paid him for victualling the army by sea in 1512 and £16,000 in 1513;¹⁰ £3,000 for the Navy that winter.¹¹ In 1515 the figure was £97,000 for the expenses of the Army in Spain and France.¹² £5,000 he found himself as customer of Southampton, Dec. 1516. Henry VIII made him keeper of Carisbrooke park in Wight, 1509;¹³ feodary of Hants, 1513; kntd. 1515;¹⁴ Knt. of the Body 1516;¹⁵ sheriff, Hants, 1516-7.

D. 24 Nov. 1518; inquests at Southampton, Chichester, Blandford and Romsey. Francis was his s. and h., aged 8, presumably by his second wife.¹⁶ Will, dat. 18 Dec. 1517, pr. 29 Jan. 1519.¹⁷ Considering the money that passed through his hands, his wealth was far less than his opportunities might warrant or excuse.¹⁸

¹ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

² He was one of those commissioned by Parlt. in 1497 and in 1504 to appoint the collectors of subsidy in the Isle of Wight (*Rot. Parl.* vi. pp. 517, 542) and may therefore have again sat for Southampton.

³ Davy Colls., Add. MS. 19126, Brit. Mus.

⁴ Sampson Norton (*q.v.*) and John Dawtry, late customers of Southampton (Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 532). ⁵ *Excerpta Hist.* (Privy Purse Exs.), 106. ⁶ *Exchq. Accts.* 517/19.

⁷ *Excerpta Hist.* 125. ⁸ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. pp. 1393, 1414, 1453, 1463; xi. 1675, 1845.

⁹ *ibid.* II. i. p. 121. ¹⁰ *ibid.* II. ii. p. 1461. ¹¹ *ibid.* II. ii. p. 1462. ¹² *ibid.* II. i. p. 189.

¹³ *ibid.* i. 94(52), 682(23); *ibid.* II. ii. p. 1420. ¹⁴ See Comms. of the Peace, *ibid. passim*.

¹⁵ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, II. i. p. 872. ¹⁶ *Geneal. N.S.* xiv. 136.

¹⁷ To be buried in church or churchyard. Bequests to St. Michael's, Southampton, for tithes forgotten. Masses for John Williams (*q.v.*), for Watkyn Williams and Jane late wife of Walter (Watkyn) and afterwards of John Dawtry, for his father Andrew Dawtry and mother Alison, for bro. Edmund, and for himself and wife Isabel. Exors. :—wife Isabel and cousin (i.e. son-in-law) John Erneley, King's Attorney (P.C.C., 13 Ayloffo).

¹⁸ He must be distinguished from John Dawtry of Petworth and Findon, Sussex, eschr., J.P., and keeper of Sir John's lands and heir in 1519—perhaps his brother Edmund's son.

DAY (DEY), JOHN (1420-71); of Hull, merchant. Customer 1468-71. M.P. Hull 1470 till death.

The Parlt. of 1455 determined that Day, Haddlesey, and John Medilton of Hull should pay £17 by 30 Sept. 1456, customs on wool fells.¹ Pardoned, 11 May 1462, "of Hull, merchant, *alias* merchant of the Staple" (m.26), and on 25 May he was pardoned his debts to Henry VI, for his good service to the King (Edward IV) and his father. On Hull comns. 1462, 1467; sheriff 1463; mayor 1466-7, 1469-70; elector 1467. A grocer of London sued him for piracy while mayor, 1466.² At some time before 1468 he was made collector of customs at Hull. Pardoned, 15 Oct. 1468, "of Hull, merchant, late mayor and escheator, merchant of Staple of Calais, collector of customs" (m.26).

He died before Apr. 1471, for before then his widow, Alice, was pardoned as his executrix; and James Tomlinson, clerk to John Dey, collector of subsidies in Hull, was pardoned at the same time. Will of John Day of Hull, merchant, dated 29 Dec. 1470, proved at York, 21 May 1472 (4.79). He must have made his will and died while M.P., so that he perhaps never went up and took his seat at all.³

DAY (DEY), JOHN (1425-85); of Lostwithiel, yeoman. M.P. Liskeard 1449-50.

Presumably a descendant of John Day, M.P. Lostwithiel 1399.

The Pardon Roll, 28 May 1484, includes—John Dey, "late of Lostwithiel, yeoman, *alias* late of Talvern, Cornwall, *alias* late of Wolston, Cornwall."⁴

DEBENHAM, GILBERT (1405-81); of Little Wenham, Suffolk. Steward to the Duke of Norfolk. M.P. SUFFOLK 1427, 1432, 1437, 1442, 1449 (1); Ipswich 1450-1; SUFFOLK 1453-4.

S. and h. of Gilbert Debenham of the same (d. 1449), by Margaret, da. of Edward Hastings of Gressenhall, Norfolk; m. Elizabeth, da. of Sir Thomas Holbrook.

He is mentioned in the Duke of Exeter's will, 1426, as one of his esquires.⁵ J.P. Suffolk, 20 Feb. 1438 to 16 July 1458, 12 May 1460 to 18 Nov. 1468, 16 July to 4 Dec. 1470, and 4 July 1471 to 10 Nov. 1475; elector, Suffolk, 1447, 1450 (when elected for Ipswich), 1459, and in 1467 when called "senior". He is on every Suffolk comn. from 1449 to 1473, including the Lancastrian comn. of array

¹ Rot. Parl. v. 295.

² Early Chan. Proc. 31/478.

³ To be buried in Holy Trinity chapel, Hull. Many gifts to the church; to the church of Cottingham, 5s.; silver and houses to wife Alice for life, including a close in Newland under the lord of Cottingham, reversion to James Thomlynson (q.v.) and heirs; to my son John £20 to his provision (*exhibitio*); pieces of gilt to (*inter alia*) William Eland esq. (q.v.), Hugh Eland, and to James Thomlynson a piece I had of John Melton knt.; to William Withornwyk one russet travelling cloak now in London; to Wm. Eland esq. and John Mydelton a house in York. Residue to Alice wife, and John Mydelton, and they exors. Supervisor, Wm. Eland.

⁴ It is improbable that the Lostwithiel M.P. is the merchant and M.P. for Hull in 1470; or the John Day of Watford, Herts., whose will was proved in 1475, for that man seems to have been a cutler in London.

⁵ Nichols, *Collection of Royal Wills*.

of Dec. 1459, all the Yorkist comms. of 1461, and an apportioner of the subsidy, 1463;¹ but he was seized and imprisoned by the Earl of Oxford during the Readeption.²

The story of his swindling and bullying, of his cheating the customs, of his tyranny over Ipswich and Colchester, of his power as steward to the Duke of Norfolk, has been set forth by Miss W. I. Haward.³ One can only add that he was pardoned in 1446 and 1455 (with the Lancastrians). Thereafter he needed no pardons, for he became Yorkist with Sir John Howard in 1460. The Parlt. of 1463-4, in restoring the Earl of Oxford, provided that such restoration should not prejudice Gilbert Debenham esq. in his manor of Vaus, Suffolk.⁴

Debenham died an old man, 10 May 1481, and Gilbert Debenham, knt. (*q.v.*) aged 40, was his s. and h. Sir Gilbert must have been more nearly 45!

DEBENHAM, Sir GILBERT (1435-1500); of Wenham, Suffolk. King's Carver 1472-83; Knight of Body 1483-5; a Captain in Ireland 1474-6, 1491-5. M.P. Ipswich 1455-6; (SUFFOLK 1484). Yorkist.

S. and h. of Gilbert Debenham of the same, M.P. (1405-81) by Elizabeth (Holbroke); *m.* Katherine (*d. s.p.* 1470), widow of William, lord Zouch (*d.* 1463), and third da. of Sir William Plumptre of Knaresborough, Yorks.;⁵ no issue survived. Sir Gilbert's only sister *m.* Sir Thomas Brewes and their s. and h. Robert got the attainder reversed and recovered some of the lands in 1504 after Dame Elizabeth Brewes, widow, had paid £500 in 1501.

Admtd. freeman of Ipswich 1450;⁶ clerk of the markets of the Household in 1461; and he "had words" with John Paston in 1462 when the two were separated by John Howard⁷ (*q.v.*) the future duke of Norfolk; pardoned, 24 May 1462; kntd. 1462/5—probably at the Queen's coronation in 1465. (His father (*q.v.*), still living, was never kntd.) Sir Gilbert was a retainer of the Duke of Norfolk and was besieging Margaret Paston in Caister Castle in Sept. 1469 on the Duke's orders.⁸ He went into exile with Edward IV and when they came again, Sir Gilbert and Sir Robert Chamberlain landed at Cromer to see what prospects Edward had in Norfolk, 12 Mar. 1471. Howard was in London, absent from Norfolk, so the knights re-embarked and the "arrival" took place at Ravenspur.⁹ King's Carver, May 1471; J.P. Suffolk, 4 July 1471-5, 11 July 1478-80, 18 Apr. 1482 to 26 June 1483, 18 Aug. 1483 till Bosworth Field.

In the autumn of 1474 the King's discreet servants James Norris and Debenham were sent to Ireland. Debenham mustered with 400 archers at Chester in August and was made Chancellor of Ireland¹⁰ and steward of Meath. He was still commanding in Ireland throughout 1475 while the King was in France, returning to Suffolk to reimburse his losses overseas.¹¹ As he was removed from the bench in June 1483, he was evidently suspect at first to Richard III, but from Aug. onwards he and his master, the Duke of Norfolk, were completely trusted; Sir Gilbert sat

¹ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV. ² *Early Chan. Proc.* 71/2. ³ *History*, xiii, pp. 300-15.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* v. 550. ⁵ *Yorks. Visitm.* ⁶ Ipswich Corpn. Records, *per* V. B. Rickword.

⁷ *Paston Letters*, ii. pp. 102, 104-5. ⁸ *ibid.* ii, 376.

⁹ *Arrival of Edward IV*, Chronicle, p. 2.

¹⁰ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii, 110; *Early Chan. Proc.* 66/198.

¹¹ Gairdner, *Richard III*, p. 5.

on all comns. and was made Knight of the Body ; pardoned 28 Feb. 1484, as " of Little Wenham, knt., *alias* son and heir of Gilbert Debenham esq., *alias* Knight of the Body, *alias* one of the King's carvers, *alias* tenant of Tatrington, Suffolk, *alias* of London " (m.9)—and he probably sat in the 1484 Parliament. Early in 1485 he was appointed to defend Harwich against the impending invasion,¹ and perhaps he so avoided Bosworth even though he was Knight of the Body.

Pardoned by Henry VII, Mar. 1486, but never again put on the bench. In Feb. 1491 he was sent or banished to Ireland, given the office of survey of all mines in Ireland, probably on a comn. basis, and made constable of Carrickfergus and given the lordship of Carlingford. But Perkyn Warbeck was welcomed in Ireland, and by Sir Gilbert. There were no mines to survey, and he was one of those betrayed by Sir Robert Clifford in Jan. 1495. He was attainted in the 1495 Parliament " late of Westminster, knt."² He was executed or died in prison in 1500, when £1 was paid to Sir William Tyler M.P. (who had his lands), for burying of Sir Gilbert Debenham.³

DEEN, JOHN (1405-60) ; of Grimsby, merchant. M.P. Grimsby 1450-1.

Mayor of Grimsby 1444, 1452. John Dene, late of Grimsby, merchant, was pardoned 10 Nov. 1452 (m.12). In 1453 he was owed money by a merchant of Grimsby. A family of Deen was at Barrowby, Lincs., near Grantham in this century.

DEERHURST see DEREHURST.

DELABERE (DE LA BERE), Sir RICHARD (1448-1514) ; of Kindersley and Clayhanger. M.P. HEREFORDSHIRE 1495.

S. and h. of Kynard (s. and h. of Sir Richard)⁴ de la Bere by Jane sis. and coh. of Sir John Barre M.P.⁵

J.P. Heref. during the Readeption ; and on Heref. comns. from 1474, including all those of Richard III (but not subsidy comn. Apr. 1483) ; kntd., 17 Jan. 1478 ; sheriff 1478-9, 1482-3, 1492-3,⁶ 1510-1 ; J.P., 14 May 1483 to Mar. 1493, and 8 Dec. 1495 till sheriff in 1510, and 28 Jan. 1513 till death ; pardoned by Richard III, 5 Nov. 1484.⁷ He adjusted himself rapidly to Bosworth Field ; was retained on the bench ; obtained a £10 pension ;⁸ made banneret at Stoke on 16 June 1487 ; present at York's creation 1494 ;⁹ made steward of Orleton, Heref. ;¹⁰ and he was pardoned in Dec. 1503 for abetting Roger Vernon in the rape of Margaret Kebble ; he was then Justice of the peace and gaol delivery and

¹ Gairdner, *Richard III*, quoting Harl. MS. 433, No. 2031. ² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 504.

³ Privy Purse Exp. of Henry VII. *Excerpta Hist.* 124.

⁴ Anne, Elizabeth and Jane de la Bere, granddas. of Sir Richard de la Bere sued Richard their bro. for their marriage portions, 1465/70 (*Early Chan. Proc.* 32/133).

⁵ At Sir John Barre's chantry they prayed for his nephew Richard Delaber, and for the souls of Jane late wife of Kynard Delabere, Barre's sister (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1474, 425).

⁶ Edward Caple, gent., late constable to Sir Richard when sheriff, was pardoned all escapes, 1494.

⁷ Pardon Roll, 1434—of Kynardesley, Heref., knt., *alias* late sheriff of Edward IV, *alias* J.P. Co. Heref. (m.16).

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1486), 156.

⁹ Gairdner, *L. & P.* i. 403.

¹⁰ Richard Cornwall was made steward of Orleton *vice* Richard Delaber knt., decd., 20 July 1514.

ally or partner of Sir Gilbert Talbot (*q.v.*). Pardoned in the universal "benevolence" of 1509, being then of "Kindersley, Clayhungre, Byndre and Hereford".¹

D. 15 July 1514, leaving a widow Elizabeth, s. and h. Thomas, aged 30, and three other sons—James, Sevacre, and George.² Will, dat. 4 May, pr. 5 Aug. 1514.³

DELAMORE, THOMAS (1405–60); of Comberketh. M.P. CUMBERLAND 1450–1, 1455–6.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Delamore, M.P. Cumbd. 1420; *m.* Idoine, widow of William Sandford; she brought him Little Askbry her jointure from her first husband.⁴

Eschr. Cumbd. and Westd., 1431–2; sheriff, Cumbd., 1443–4, 1447–8, 1452–3; elector, Cumbd., 1437, 1442, 1447, 1449 (1); pardoned 1437 and on 10 Oct. 1455, as "of Comberkath, Cumbd. esq., *alias* gent., *alias* late of London". This "late of London" may refer to the first session of the 1455–6 Parliament. Apptd. a keeper of the truce with Scotland, 1457.⁵ He probably died soon after as he is not on the 1458 or 1462 Pardon Rolls.

DELVE, WILLIAM (1405–65); of Southover next Lewes. M.P. Lewes 1449–50.

Sworn to the peace in Sussex 1434; as of Southover next Lewes, yeoman, he took out a pardon in the Cade business, June 1450. He must have been dead by 20 Jan. 1472, when John Delve of Southover next Lewes, gent., late of Holborn, Mdsx., appears on the Pardon Roll.

DELVES, (Sir) JOHN (1418–71); of Doddington, Cheshire, and Uttoxeter, Staffs. Contr. of Customs and Treasurer of Household 1470–1; Warden of Mint 1471. M.P. STAFFORDSHIRE 1467–8, (and possibly 1470–1).

Second s. of John Delves of same (*d.* 1429), by Philippa (Harcourt) and yr. bro. and h. of Richard Delves, died 1446.⁶ *M.* Ellen da. of Ralph Egerton of Wrimehill M.P. (1390–1451).

Pardoned, 28 May 1446, and 22 June 1452, "of Dodyngton, Cheshire." (m.43 and 16). Sheriff, Staffs., 1455–6; J.P. Staffs., 1463 till death. In the 1467–8 Parl. he was one of those to investigate the charges against the Warden of the Mint.⁷ Pardoned, 24 July 1468, "of Uttoxeter, Staffs., esq., *alias* late of Dodyngton, Cheshire, *alias* late sheriff of Staffs." (m.34). He was probably on Warwick's Council, and when Warwick staged the Readeption Delves was made sheriff of

¹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 438 (3) (m.26).

² *Inq. p.m.* 6 Hen. VIII, Nos. 45, 142.

³ To be buried in St. Michael's chapel in Hereford cathedral. To das. Anne and Sybill £40 each. To sons Sevacre and George, lands specified in the indenture made between Delabere and Sir Thomas Inglefeld (*q.v.*), but Elizabeth his wife to receive the rents next Michaelmas. Masses for self and wife Anne. Wife Elizabeth residuary legatee and she sole exix. (P.C.C., 2 Holder).

⁴ *Cumbd. and Westmd. Arch. Soc.* N.S. xxiii. 339.

⁵ *Foedera*, V. ii. 74.

⁶ *Staffs. Colls.* 1917.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. 634.

Staffs., controller of customs and the wool subsidy, 9 Nov. 1470; Treasurer of the Household 1470-1;¹ joint warden of the Mint, 24 Feb. 1471.

It is possible that he got elected for Staffs. before his appointment as sheriff, and the number and nature of his appointments make it possible that he was the Speaker of this Parliament. Knighted, 24 Feb./4 May 1471; proclaimed traitor as being with Queen Margaret, 27 Apr.;² slain at Tewkesbury, 4 May 1471; his son James was taken prisoner and beheaded next day.³ Attainted 1472; attainder reversed 1485.⁴ His widow "Elena Delves of Dodynton, Cheshire, widow, late wife of John Delves, knight, deceased, *alias* Elena Delves late of Uttoxeter, Staffs" was pardoned, 12 Jan. 1472.⁵

DENBAND see DENBOLD.

DENBOLD, HENRY (1400-60); of Okehampton; lawyer. M.P. Tavistock 1433, 1435, 1442, 1449-50.

Perhaps s. of Geoffrey Denbold of the same.

A feoffee of land in Okehampton about 1423; witness to an Exeter deed, 1431; was owed two sums of £50, 1434; elector, Devon, 1435; in 1438 Walter Madford and Henry Denbold held Madford in Okehampton, and Henry Denbold and two others held land in Honeychurch. An attorney in Devon suits 1439, 1450;⁶ portreeve of Okehampton in 1440 and 1455; feoffee 1450; and witnesses deeds at various times.⁷ The Abbots of Tavistock held land in and round Okehampton, and may have found it politic to return an Okehampton leading burgess as M.P. for Tavistock.

DENBOLD (DENBAND). WILLIAM. M.P. Bodmin 1447.

He was probably of the Okehampton family. A later William Denbold was portreeve of Okehampton 1480, 1488, 1509 (J. J. Alexander).

DENLEY, THOMAS (1440-93); of Maidstone, lawyer. M.P. Rochester 1491-2.

Pardoned 1468 and 1471, being of Bermondsey, late of Southwark;⁸ an attorney, Kent, 1480, before the King's Bench.

D. 1493. Will, dat. 10 Oct. 1493, pr. 6 Mar. 1494.⁹

¹ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 542.

² *Foedera*, V. iii. p. 1.

³ Warkworth, *Chronicle*, p. 18.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. pp. 145, 218.

⁵ A window showing John Delves and Ellen his wife, displaying the family arms on surcoat and kirtle respectively, was formerly in Wybunbury church, and now in Broughton church by Eccleshall (Pape, *Medieval Newcastle*, 29).

⁶ Plea Rolls of K.B.

⁷ Okehampton Town Chest, *per* J. J. Alexander.

⁸ Pardon Roll, 3 Aug. 1468, of Bermondsey, Surrey, gent., late of Southwark, late of London, tenant of lands of William Crystemass in Surrey (m.36). Pardon Roll, 24 Nov. 1471—of Bermondsey, late of Southwark, *alias* tenants of houses outside the bar in Kentishstrete, Southwark.

⁹ To be bur. in All Saints, Maidstone. 40 marks to da. Etheldrede. All lands to wife Anne with reversion to s. William. Residue to wife Anne. Exors. :—wife Anne and William Fissher (P.C.C., 8 Vox).

DENNIS (DENYS), JOHN (1425-91); of Barnstaple and of Orlegh, Devon. Recorder of Plymouth; lawyer. M.P. Barnstaple 1449 (1).

S. and h. of Richard Dennis; *m.* Eleanor, da. and h. of Stephen Gifford.¹ Sir Thomas Dennis was M.P. for Devon in 1529.

He was pardoned, 20 June 1452, as "late of Barnstaple, gent., s. and h. of Richard Denys". The Barnstaple receiver accounts for 2*d.* paid for wine given to John Dennis, who made "*Billam de terr' apd.*", 1455, which looks as though he was a lawyer who drew up a Bill.² In 1459 he was a trustee, named first, of lands for pious uses in Barnstaple; exor. of the will of John Coplestone (*q.v.*), 1459; J.P. Devon, and of the quorum, 16 Oct. 1464 to 28 Aug. 1483, and 5 Dec. 1483 (called "of Orlegh") till death; on a great number of Devon comns., 1459 to the subsidy comn. of Jan. 1488, including those issued during the Readeption and those of array issued by Richard III. In many of these he is called "of Orlegh", and so many are comns. of *oyer and terminer* that he must have been a lawyer. A Devon elector 1467 and 1472; pardoned, 15 Mar. 1474, together with Thomas Dourish (*q.v.*), as the surviving feoffees of John Copleston (*m.8*). He had custody of the lands of Thomas Hatch during the minority of the heir, 1480, and was recorder of Plymouth in 1482.

D., 7 May 1491, when William, aged 20, was his s. and h.; lands—Orlegh and Farlegh, Devon. The custody of his s. and h. was granted to Roger Holland of Exeter.

DENNIS (DENYCE), JOHN; of Hythe. M.P. Hythe 1489-90.

On 4 Mar. 1490 he claimed his wages at 2*s.* a day for 56 days at one time and 16 days at another time in that same Parlt.³

DENNIS (DENYS), THOMAS (1400-64); of Ipswich, gent.; lawyer. M.P. Ipswich 1431, 1432, 1435, 1442.

J.P. Ipswich, 16 Feb. 1428 till death; treasurer of Ipswich 1431-2; bailiff, 1433-4, 1439-40, 1442-3, 1445-6, 1449-51, 1454-5, 1457-8, 1460-1, 1463-4. An attorney in Suffolk and Essex, 1439-50;⁴ on comns. in Suffolk in 1449 and 1451; an elector of Ipswich in 1453, 1459; pardoned in 1437, 1446, and again in 1452, 1455, 1459, in each case as "of Ipswich, gent." On 12 Apr. 1464 John Wallworth was elected bailiff of Ipswich, *vice* Thomas Dennis, lately dead.⁵

He is not the Thomas Dennis, friend of the Pastons and servant of the Earl of Warwick, who had fought at Northampton and St. Albans, and had been murdered in July 1461.

DENNIS, WILLIAM ⁶ (1420-79); of Combe-Raleigh, Devon. M.P. Poole 1453-4.

¹ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiv. 106.

² Accts. of John Speere, Receiver of Barnstaple (*H.M.C.* ix. 204).

³ Hythe Accts. bundle 95, *per* Miss E. Scroggs.

⁴ Plea Rolls of K.B.

⁵ Bacon, *Annals of Ipswich*, 124.

⁶ The Christian name is on the authority of Sydenham's *Hist. of Poole*.

Perhaps s. of that William Dennis who, with Isabel his wife, was sued for trespass in Devon, 1431.¹

In May 1453, because he tarried at Westminster (then being M.P.), the letters of protection issued to William Dennis of Combe-Raleigh, to stay in the company of Sir John Lysle in Aquitaine, were revoked. On Devon comns., 1454 and July 1461; he was owed money in Devon, 1466.

D. 27 Apr. 1479, when Alice, aged 28, wife of John Bonevyle esq., was his da. and h.²

DENTON, HENRY (1445-1513); of Carlisle. M.P. Carlisle 1467-8.

S. and h. of John Denton of Cardew. John and Thomas Denton took part in electing him in 1467. Sheriff, Cumberland, 1490, but did not account; J.P. Cumberland, 10 Feb. 1503 till death; pledge for Lord Dacre and Sir Edward Musgrave, 1509;³ on comns. of array for Cumberland 1511 and 1512.

To judge from his J.P.ships he must have died 6 Aug. 1512/18 Oct. 1514.

DENTON (DUNTON), THOMAS; lawyer. M.P. Ipswich 1449-50.

In 1437, 40 marks were owed to Thomas Dunton, citizen and mercer of London; and on 27 Oct. 1449 John Smith and Thomas Denton were elected for Parlt.⁴—"they being resident", which meant exactly nothing. In 1459 he was an attorney in Norfolk suits.⁵

DENTON, THOMAS (1405-56/7); perhaps of Denton-in-Gilsland, Cumbd., esq. M.P. Scarborough 1449-50, 1450-1.⁶

Perhap s. of Adam del Hall who, marrying Isable Copley, heiress of Denton, Cumbd., assumed the name of Denton and occurs as late as 1429 as a juror. On a Cumbd. comn. as "esq." in 1440; an elector, 1447.

Thomas Denton *m.* Alice da. of Thomas More, and *d.* 1456/7.⁷ Henry Denton, M.P. Carlisle 1467, and Thomas Denton then an elector, may be relations.

DENYS see DENNIS.

DERAUNT see DURANT.

DEREHURST, THOMAS (1405-51); of Hardwick; lawyer. M.P. Gloucester boro' 1433, 1437; GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1445-6; Gloucester boro' 1447, 1449 (1); GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1449-50.

S. of John Derehurst, one of the two bailiffs of Gloucester in 1417, who had built divers houses on vacant land in Southgate St.; *m.* 1438, Jane or Margaret

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1431), 157.

³ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 132 (56).

⁴ Bacon, *Ipswich*, p. 107.

⁵ Plea Rolls, K.B.

⁶ Given erroneously (?) as "Benton" in the *Official Return*.

⁷ *Ex inf.* H. Hornyold Strickland.

² *Inq. p.m.* 19 Edw. IV, 19-167.

da. of Robert Baynham of Westbury *alias* Robert ap Eynon (*d.* 1436), and sis. of Thomas Baynham (1424-1500); and they had a da. and h., Elizabeth.¹

He owned one-half of Maldons Mill at Ebley, Glos., 1426.² Pardoned, 1437, as s. and h. and exor. of the will of John Derehurst of Gloucester, who had been manucaptor for John Cheyne knt.; J.P. Glos., and of the quorum, 18 May 1439 to 12 Apr. 1451; on Glos. comns., including gaol delivery, from 1445 to 1449; pardoned in 1451;³ a Glos. elector in 1447. The *Rental of Gloucester*, 1455, shows him living by the North Gate, described as *legis peritus*. He owned much property in the town, including some inherited from Reynold de Deerhurst, *temp.* Hen. III.

DERLOND, THOMAS.

M.P. Weymouth 1453-4.

Undiscovered.

DERWENT, THOMAS (1410-70); of Carlisle, esq.; King's serjeant 1447-68, and forester of Inglewood Forest, Cumbd., 1438-60. M.P. Carlisle 1453-4, 1455-6. Yorkist.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Derwent, M.P. Carlisle 1429.

Granted for life, office of one of the foresters in the upper ward of Inglewood Forest, 22 Feb. 1438;⁴ as King's serjeant, granted for life, office of one of the serjeants-at-arms about the warden and keeper of the town and castles of Carlisle and the west march of England towards Scotland, 25 May 1447;⁵ exempted from Act of Resumption in respect of a fee for 12*d.* a day from the sheriff of Cumbd. in connexion with this office, 1449-50, 1455;⁶ comnr., London, 25 Jan. 1455;⁷ grant of 1447 renewed, with wages of 12*d.* per day out of Cornwall and livery of vesture, 8 Aug. 1455;⁸ with the Yorkists at Blore Heath and Ludford, being attainted, Dec. 1459; stripped of his offices, but shortly afterwards pardoned, 20 Mar. 1460;⁹ restored serjeant-at-arms by Edward IV, being exempted from Act of Resumption in respect of this office, 1467/8.¹⁰

He probably *d.* soon afterwards.

DEVEREUX, Sir WALTER (1411-59); of Weobley and Bodenham. Constable of Wigmore. M.P. HEREFORDSHIRE 1435, 1439-40, 1447, 1450-1, 1455-6. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Walter Devereux of the same, by Maud da. of Sir Thomas Bromwich;¹¹ *m. c.* 1432, Elizabeth da. and h. of Sir John Merbury, M.P., *d.* 1438, C.J. in South Wales; and their s. Walter married the heiress of Ferrers of Chartley in 1446.

¹ Stonehouse Deeds, *Bristol & Glos. Arch. Soc.* vi. 182-5; Bigland, *Gloucester*, p. 289.

² *ibid.* xlvii. 344.

³ Pardon Roll, as Thomas Derhurst, *alias* Derehurst, *alias* Durest, of Gloucester, *alias* of Hardwick, Glos., gent., *alias* squire.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1438), 143.

⁵ "... the King being informed that the said warden has been wont to have such a serjeant, etc."; *ibid.* (1447), 58.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* v. 199, 320.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1455), 222.

⁸ *ibid.* (1455), 249. He had livery of vesture again, in 1458/9.

⁹ The office of serjeant in Carlisle was granted to Henry Maners, 10 Mar. 1460; *ibid.* (1460), 536, 553; Pardon Roll, 20 Mar. 1460, m.4.

¹⁰ *Rot. Parl.* v. 588.

¹¹ *Visitation Warw.* 279.

Kntd. 1441/2; J.P. Heref., 28 Jan. 1441 to 16 Feb. 1451, and 2 Feb. 1455 till death; pardoned 1446; sheriff, Heref., 1447/8; keeper of Leominster, Feb. 1448; grant of the wardship of the das. of John Walwayn, 1451; sheriff, Glos., 1455-6; J.P. Glos., 14 Aug. 1455 till death. In July 1452, at Hereford, during the King's progress through the West, Devereux was indicted for treason committed by him, 28 Feb. He pleaded a pardon, and petitioned Parlt. in 1453 that the King should now declare him his true liege man. This was granted,¹ but Devereux was now, and henceforward, a strong Yorkist. The pardon he pleaded appears on the Pardon Roll, 8 Aug. 1452, and he was pardoned again 6 Jan. 1458,² as of Weobley, Knt., *alias* of Leonhalys, Heref. (m.27).

D. 22/23 Apr. 1459, seised of Weobley and Bodenham, Heref., Braunston, Cottesbach and Newbold Vernon, Leics., and Market Rasen, Lincs. His post as Constable of Wigmore, which he had of a grant of Richard, duke of York, was transferred to Lord Dudley after his death, and during the short Lancastrian domination that followed his death many matters were alleged against Sir Walter Devereux. He had been giving liveries, and he had been assisting against the King. His s. and h., Walter Devereux (*q.v.*), was summoned as Lord Ferrers of Chartley, 26 July 1461, and sat for Heref. in 1460.³

DEVEREUX, (Sir) WALTER (1432-85); of Weobley and Bodenham, K.G. (Lord Ferrers of Chartley 1461). M.P. HEREFORDSHIRE 1460-1. Yorkist. Sumnd. 1461-2, 1463-5, 1467-8, 1469, 1470-1, 1473-5, 1478, 1483, 1484.

S. and h. of Sir Walter Devereux of same M.P. (1411-59) by Elizabeth (Merbury); *m.* (1), Nov. 1446, Anne (1438-69) da. and h. of Sir William Ferrars (*d.* 1450) of Chartley, Staffs., and (2) Jane, who *rem.* Thomas Vaughan (living 1492), and Sir Edward Blount of Sodington, Worcs. (*d. s.p.* 1499), and Thomas Poyntz—both living 1512.⁴

Pardoned, 8 May 1456;⁵ succeeded Apr. 1459; with York at Ludford, 12 Oct. 1459, and surrendered there; forfeited, but allowed to redeem his lands for 500 marks; pardoned, vainly, 20 Mar. 1460; M.P. Oct. 1460; probably fought at Mortimer's Cross, and went up with Edward to London in Feb., being at the Council at Baynard's castle which resolved to make Edward King, 3 Mar. 1461; knighted after Towton, 29 Mar. 1461, and had extensive grants, which were exempted from resumption in 1467/8.⁶ Summoned to Parlt. as Lord Ferrers of Chartley, 26 July 1461 to 9 Dec. 1483; constable of Aberystwyth 1463; keeper of le Heywood, Hereford, 1464; constable of Brecknock, Hay and Huntingdon, 1469; sheriff of Carnarvon and master forester of Snowdon for life, 28 July 1470. J.P. Heref., 17 July 1461 to 6 Nov. 1470 and 24 Feb. 1473 till death. As he was removed at the Readeption he may have gone into exile with Edward. Afterwards he was made one of the tutors and councillors of the Prince, 1472; K.G., 24 Apr. 1472; served in France with the King, 1475-4s. a day, with other 19 men at

¹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 342.

² Pardon Roll, 1458—of Weobley, knt., *alias* of Leonhalys, Heref. (m.27).

³ *Comp. Peer.* v. 321-2.

⁴ *ibid.* v. 321.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1456, Walter Devereux esq., and Anne his wife da. and h. of Wm. Ferrars, knt. (m.5).

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* v. 580.

arms at 1s. a day. Wigston, Leics., forfeited by Earl of Oxford, was granted to him, 1476. J.P. Glos., 6 Nov. 1479 till death. Adhered to Richard III and had Cheshunt, Herts., 12 Aug. 1484. Slain at Bosworth, 22 Aug. 1485. Attainted, 7 Nov. 1485. Ancestor of the Earls of Essex.

DEVYOK, JOHN (1440-1500); of Ethey, Cornwall. M.P. Bodmin 1467-8.

S. and h. of — Devyok by Elizabeth, da. and coh. of John Luccombe of Bodmin.¹ In 1467/72 Sir Robert Vere sued John Devyace on a loan made by Devyace.² In 1472 he was part owner and victualler of *le Barbara* of Fowey, guilty of piracy; on comn., Cornwall, 1473; pardoned, 21 June 1469, as "of Euthey, Corn." (m.2). A feoffee for John Moyle esq. in 1484 and 1500.³ Probably the same as John Devyok of Okehampton, pardoned in 1484.

DEWALL, JOHN (1400-53); of Dauntsey, Wilts.; lawyer. M.P. Hereford city 1433; WILTSHIRE 1449-50.

M. Jane (1394-1457), da. of John Dauntsey and sis. and h. of Walter Dauntsey (d. 1420), and widow of Sir John Stradling⁴ (d. 1435)—M.I. in Dauntsey church.⁵

If, as is probable, the Wilts. and the Heref. Dewall are the same man, then he is probably the John Dewall junior who was Member for Hereford city in 1433. Dewall appears on comns. in Heref. and Wilts., 1439 to 1452—the earlier ones being mostly of gaol delivery at Hereford and the later ones of *oyer* and *terminer*. He was eschr., Wilts., 1438-9; J.P. Wilts., and of the quorum, 5 July 1443 till death. Pardoned as of Dauntsey and London, 20 July 1446.⁶

D. to judge from his J.P.ships between 13 Aug. 1452 and 16 Mar. 1453.

DEY see DAY.

DIGBY (DYGBY), EVERARD (1410-61); of Stoke Dry, Rutland, and of Offord-Darcy, Hunts. M.P. HUNTINGDONSHIRE 1439-40, 1445-6; RUTLAND 1447, 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1450-1, 1459. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir Everard Digby of Tilton and Stoke Dry, M.P., by Alice da. and coh. of John Clark; m. Jacqueline, da. and coh. of John Ellis of Devon; issue Everard Digby, M.P.⁶

Pardoned 1437,⁷ 1446; J.P. Rutland, 12 Apr. 1446 to 29 Jan. 1449; sheriff, Rutland, 1459-60; and on several Rutland comns., including the Lancastrian comn. of array in Dec. 1459.

He probably fought at Wakefield, since he was excepted from Edward's offer of pardon on 6 Mar. 1461, and he was killed at Towton, 28 Mar. 1461. He was attainted, but his s. procured the reversal of his attainder from the Parlt. of 1472.⁸ Arms:—Azure, a fleur de lys arg.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/119. ² *ibid.* 45/198. ³ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 246.

⁴ An officer of Richard, earl of Warwick, in the parts of Glamorgan (Pardon Roll, 1446, John Dewall, m.16). ⁵ *Bristol and Glos. Arch. Soc.* 1. 327.

⁶ Davy B. M. Add. MSS. 19127, f. 55; *Visitn. Leics.*, 40; *ibid. Rutland*, 17.

⁷ Pardon Roll, 9 May 1437—of Tilton, Leics., esq., of Ufford-Darceys, Hunts., of Maydewell in N'hants. (m.25). ⁸ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 22.

DIGBY, EVERARD (1440-1509); of Stoke-Dry.

M.P. RUTLAND 1478,
1491-2, (probably 1484).

S. and h. of Everard Digby of same, M.P. (1410-61) by Jacquette (Ellis); m. Margery da. of John Heydon (*q.v.*).

Obtained from the Parliament of 1472 the reversal of his father's attainder, stating that he himself had been "abroad with the King" (*i.e.* during 1470-1).¹ J.P. Rutland, 28 Nov. 1473 to Nov. 1475, and 14 May 1483 to 1485. He endowed Launde Priory in 1478, and was on all the Rutland comns. of Richard III. Sheriff 1485-6. Henry VII made him steward of Oakham, bailiff of Uppingham and ranger of Leighfield forest,² and steward of the Prince's fee at Leicester—all exempted from resumption, 1486.³ In Dec. 1497 he was pensioned 20 marks a year. Sheriff again 1498-9. Throughout his life he was associated with Piers Curtis (*q.v.*) of the Household, and he acted as supervisor of Curtis' will, 1505.

D. 1509, leaving another Everard as s. and h. Will, dat. 17 Jan., pr. 12 Feb. 1509. Of Stoke Dry, Rutland.⁴ The pedigree in Wright's *Hist. of Rutland* appears to be incorrect. The family have the story that Everard and his six brothers all fought for Henry at Bosworth. From his next bro. Simon come the Earls of Bristol and Lord Digby.

DILLINGTON, CHRISTOPHER or TRISTRAM; of Tollard, Wilts.
Wilton 1489-90.

M.P.

This must be one and the same man—though we cannot now check the M.P. and have not checked the Inq. *p.m.* The inquest on John Savage, died 1500, refers to a settlement by Savage of the manor of Tollard, Wilts., on *Tristram* Dillington and Jane his wife.⁵ Ch. = T.

DINGLEY (DYNELEY), ROBERT (1390-1456); of Wolverton by Kingsclere, Hants, esq. M.P. HAMPSHIRE 1431; Ludgershall 1453-4.

Perhaps s. of William Dyneley and Margaret his wife.⁶

Elector, Hants, 1429; sheriff, 1434-5; comns., chiefly gaol delivery and array, to 1452. Frequently a feoffee in Berks. and Hants. Earlston near Andover was left to Sir Thomas Wykeham in 1402 and he conveyed it to Dingley.⁷ Robert Dingley was pardoned, 14 July 1437 as "of Wolverton" (m.2); and 5 July 1446, "of Wolverton near Kingsclere, Hants, esq." (m.8). Ludgershall was a Crown borough, and he sat no doubt in the Lancastrian interest in 1453.

D. 2 Apr. 1456, when William, aged 40, was his s. and h. His g.s. Thomas held Wolverton in 1494.⁷

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 22.

² Campbell, *Materials*, i. 57; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1485), 342.

³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 372.

⁴ To be bur. in St. Peters at Sylton. Certain lands to John Digby his s. with successive remainders to his eld. s. and h. Everard and to his das. Alinor and Ellen. To Ellen a feather bed; to Everard his s. and Alice his da. four pair of sheets. Bequest to da. Katherine, a nun at Sempringham. Exor. :—Everard his s. and h. (P.C.C., 11 Bennett).

⁵ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. Nos. 251, 349.

⁶ *Geneal.* N.S. xviii. 27. But a Robert Dyneley was sheriff of Wilts. 1391.

⁷ *Ex inf.* J. S. Furley.

DINHAM (DYNHAM), CHARLES (1434-91/4); of Nutwell. Squire of the Body 1485. M.P. DEVONSHIRE 1478¹ (and probably 1483, 1484).

Third s. of Sir John Dinham (1406-58) of Hartwell, and yr. bro. of John, lord Dynham (1433-1501), by Jane sis. and h. of John Arches of Eythrope and Cranwell, Bucks. Lords Fitzwarryn and Zouch were his brothers-in-law.

He was on all Devon comns. from 1461, excluding the Readeption but including all those of Richard III; J.P. Devon, 6 June 1461 to 27 June 1463, 20 June 1471 to 8 Feb. 1487, and 28 Apr. 1491 till death; pardoned by the Readeption government; elector, Devon, 1472. In 1464 Hungerford's lands in Devon were granted to John Dinham with reversion to his bros. Charles and Roger.² Their reward no doubt for helping in the escape of the Earls after Ludford.³ He probably went on the King's French expedition of 1475.⁴ Sheriff, Devon, 1476-7. He bought the marriage of Durnford's heiress in 1482 (she being then six), but the Charles Dinham esq., who had married her by 1490, must really be a son of the same name.⁵ Controller of customs and subsidies in Exeter and Dartmouth by 1481—renewed by Richard III. As he was not one of the Devon subsidy comms. of Apr. 1483 he probably sat in the 1483 (Jan.) Parlt. As Richard III pardoned him Oct. 1484⁶ and made him a Squire of the Body with a £50 pension (13 Mar. 1485) he was probably in the 1484 Parlt. But he was buccaneering off Brittany in Nov. 1483. On array comms. till 1491; and died 1491/4.

DISHWALL (DYSSEWALL), THOMAS.

M.P. Calne 1449-50.

Of Wilts.—for there was a power of attorney there by William Rous to Henry Long, Thomas Tropenell (*qq.v.*) and Thomas Dysshewall, 1447.⁷

DIVE (DYVE), JOHN (1420-74); of Harleston, esq. Att.-Gen. to Queen Elizabeth 1465-74. M.P. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 1455-6, (? 1460-1);⁸ Dorchester 1467-8.

S. and h. of Edmund Dive of Quinton, N'hants., by Maud, sis. and h. of Hen. Sewell of Beds.; *m.* 1448 Elizabeth (*d.* 1458) da. of George Longevile M.P., of Little Billing, N'hants., and of Wolverton, Bucks.

He was a feoffee in Hereford and Oxford counties in 1446, in Gloucester in 1454; was associated with the Catesbys in their financial deals; J.P. N'hants., 4 Dec. 1454 to 1 Dec. 1458, and 1 Sept. 1460 till death; elector, N'hants., 1442, 1472; frequently on comms. and gaol deliveries from 1457 onwards; evidently a lawyer, and able to get on with both sides. He was apptd. Att.-Gen. to the Queen soon after her coronation in 1465,⁹ and controller of customs in the port of Boston, 21 Oct. 1467,¹⁰ while M.P. Like other lawyers he did not disdain to sit for a borough after having sat for a county, and as Queen's Attorney-General he could easily get

¹ The 2nd bro. Roger was an elector in 1478.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1464), 333.

³ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 41.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1475), 495.

⁵ *ibid.* (1482), 249; (1490), 312.

⁶ Pardon Roll, 1484—of Nutwyll, Devon, late of Thornes next Ottery St. Mary, late of Oxford (*m.* 13).

⁷ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

⁸ Baker, *Northants.* i. 83.

⁹ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 378.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1467), 15.

returned for Dorchester. He was elected mayor of Northampton, 16 Nov. 1469;¹ local gentry began to become mayors of such towns at this time.

D. 1473/5, to judge from his commissions of the peace. A John Dive the younger was alive and the elder dead 1 May 1475.² It was this younger John who was sheriff 1494-5, not the father as stated in Baker's *Northants.*, i. 82.

DOCKET (DOGET), ROBERT (1415-1470); of Rochester. M.P. Rochester 1442.

Robert Docket was elector, Rochester, 1431; mayor 1463,³ when an apportioner of the subsidy there.⁴ Died 1470; will dat. 10 Apr. 1470.⁵

DODD (DODE), HENRY (1410-60); of Gloucester; merchant. M.P. Gloucester boro' 1449-50.

Bailiff of Gloucester 1446-7, 1448-9; an elector of Gloucester 1449 (1), 1453. William Oliver and Henry Doode, late bailiffs of Gloucester, were pardoned in 1448 certain fines laid upon them by the Justices at Cirencester in May 1447. The *Gloucester Rental* of 1455 calls him "merchant," living in "le Bothalle," Westgate St.

DODESHAM, WILLIAM (1415-80); of Bridgwater, mercer, and of Cannington, Som. M.P. Bridgwater 1442.

Perhaps s. of William Dodesham of the same (d. 1440), an attorney, buried at Cannington. M.I.

40s. was owed to William in Somerset, 1438; he and Alexander Hody were feoffees for John Mohun in Som., 1446; and next year he was a trustee under Edward Colyford's will. He is so often a trustee—1452, 1455, 1472—that one would take him to be a lawyer were he not described as "mercator of Bridgwater" on bonds entered into in 1452. Perhaps he was both, for he also held land at Bradney, called Scot's Horne. Pardoned by Yorkists, Oct. 1455;⁶ comnr. of sewers for Somerset, 1445, and of dilapidations in Cornwall the same year. About 1469 Jane Gosse, widow, and William Dodesham, her bro., sued certain arbitrators for lands in Williton and Estcote, Som. He continues to appear in the Bridgwater deeds, especially those connected with the Pym family, and in Nov. 1468 he and Philip Pyme granted to feoffees their manor of Codecombe-Mohun, Som.

D. shortly before 15 Aug. 1480,⁷ and was buried at Cannington—M.I.⁸

DODGE (DOGE), THOMAS (1405-60); of Wareham, gent. Customer 1441-53. M.P. Wareham 1442, (? 1445-6), 1447, 1449-50.

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1469), 194.

² *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, No. 23, etc.

³ F. F. Smith, *History of Rochester*, 493.

⁴ *Fine Roll*, 3 Edw. IV.

⁵ Robert Docket of Rochester. To be burd. in St. Nicholas next to Margery formerly his wife. Bequests to four servants. Residue to wife Agnes. Exors.:—Agnes, John Durkyngholes, cit. and tailor of London, and John Wood, cit. of Rochester. No proof (P.R.C., ii. ff. 57-57v).

⁶ Pardon Roll, 1455—as of Cannington, Som., gent., *alias* late of Gurneystreet in the tithing of Orchard in the parish of Cannington (m.23).

⁷ Writ of *diem clausit* of that date to eschr. of Somerset (Fine Rolls, 20 Edw. IV, m.15).

⁸ *Somerset Rec. Soc.* xix. pp. 119, 344; Brynmores MSS.; Bridgwater deeds *per* T. Bruce Dilks esq.

The Pardon Roll of 1446 describes him as "of Wareham, gent."; controller of the great and petty customs and subsidies in Poole,¹ 1453; eschr. or "extortioner" of Som. and Dorset, 1451-2; pardoned 5 Nov. 1455.² The *alias* provided for escheator tends to prove Wedgwood's derivation of the word cheat.³

DODING (DODYNG), JOHN (1415-75); of Gloucester, gent.; building-contractor, clerk of the peace, and sub-sheriff of Glos. M.P. Gloucester boro' 1455-6.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Dodyng of Worcester, gent., who served on a jury in 1442.

The *Gloucester Rental*, 1455, shows him holding six stables in Travel Lane and a curtilage in Southgate St. He is there called "clerk." He was pardoned while in Parlt., 15 Nov. 1455;⁴ apptd. to provide labour and materials for the building and repair of Gloucester castle, 18 Feb. 1458;⁵ probably finally settled in Bristol, for in a list of those to whom the seats in St. Ewens Church were sold occur the names of John Doding and his wife, 1468/9.⁶

DODMORE, JOHN; of Ludlow. M.P. Ludlow 1467-8.

The M.P.'s name is taken from the Ludlow bailiffs accounts—a Ludlow man.⁷

DOGE see DODGE.

DOGET see DOCKET.

DOKET see DOCKET.

DORE, GEOFFREY; of Bodenham, Heref. M.P. Hereford city 1467-8.

Geoffrey Dowre of "Bodman," Heref., yeoman, occurs in 1461.⁸ He was exor. of the will of Thomas Frenssh of Barton, Bucks., and sued in Herefordshire, 1465. In 1466 he surrendered the constabship of Old Sarum castle to Richard Haynes (*q.v.*). Humphrey Dore of Gatley, Heref. (*d.* 1501), may be his son.

DOREWARD, (Sir) JOHN (1420-76); of Bocking, Essex. ? Lawyer. M.P. ESSEX 1453-4. Yorkist.

S. and h. of John Doreward of the same (*d.* 1463), by Blanche (*d.* 1460) da. and h. of Sir William Coggeshall;⁹ g.s. of the Speaker.

¹ In Nov. 1441 Thomas Doge, collector and controller of customs and subsidies in Poole, Melcombe, and ports adjacent, was given a special reward for extra work and expense during the last two years, and in Mar. 1442 he was rewarded for diligence in securing and forfeiting wool in various Dorset ports (Issue Rolls).

² Pardon Roll 1455, as Thomas Doge or Dooe (m.22) but this same Pardon Roll has another entry:—12 Oct. 1455 Robert Spechele (*q.v.*) late of Bristol, gent., *alias* late sub-eschr. of Som. and Dorset, *alias* "extortioner," *alias* clerk to Thomas Doge, late eschr. of Somerset and Dorset (m.19).

³ H. Wedgwood, *Contested Etymologies*.

⁴ As "late of Worcester, gent., late of Gloucester, gent., late of London, gent., *alias* Clerk of the Peace in Gloucestershire, late sub-sheriff of Glos., *alias* burgess of the town of Gloucester, *alias* gent.;" Pardon Roll, 15 Nov. 1455, m.18. ⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1458), 415.

⁶ *Bristol & Glos. Arch. Soc.*, xv. 257.

⁷ *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

⁸ *Anc. Indicts. of K.B.* 9/307 (1461), 117.

⁹ Pardon Roll, 1437 (m.26).

His father heads the list of electors when John junior was elected 1453. The son John was J.P. Essex, called "junior", and of the quorum, 28 Mar. 1448 to 5 May 1458, and was on Essex comns. in 1453 while M.P. In Dec. 1461 "senior" and "junior", for good service to the King and his father, were made jointly stewards of Rayleigh and bailiffs of the Hundred of Rochford, Essex. Kntd., 26 May 1465, at Queen Elizabeth's coronation; pardoned 5 Nov. 1468, as "of Bocking, knt., s. and h. of John Doreward, deceased" (m.15); and 4 July 1472, by the same description (m.21). On 22 Mar. 1468 the keeping of "Shelley's tenement" in St. Mary's Stanyng, London, was granted to Doreward, Walter Writtle (*q.v.*), and Thomas Urswick, recorder of London (*q.v.*).¹

He had licence to settle Rawreth, Essex, in 1475; and died 12 Sept. 1476, when John, aged 29, was his s. and h. His s. and h. John appears to have died in or before 1481.²

DOURISH (DOURYSSH), THOMAS (1420-83); of Piddesley and Dourish, Devon. Recorder of Exeter 1468-83; lawyer. M.P. Exeter 1449 (1), 1449-50; DEVONSHIRE 1467-8.

S. of Thomas Dourish M.P. for Plympton in 1427; an attorney in Devon, 1439; living 1459; called "of Kyrton" (Crediton), when a surety, 1430.

Counsel for Exeter in the city's suit against the Bishop in 1448;³ recorder of Exeter by 1468;⁴ a Devon elector 1450, 1472; exor. of the will of John Coplestone, 1459; on Devon comns. 1459 to 1472, and again on the subsidy comn. Apr. 1483, when he was apparently dead. J.P. Devon, and of the quorum, 4 July 1461 to 30 Nov. 1470, and 20 June 1471 till death;⁵ removed from the bench during the Lancastrian Readeption; pardoned, 12 Apr. 1472, as "late of Piddeslegh, Devon, gent., *alias* late of Dourisshe, Devon," (m.31). He was sued for land in Foldhey etc. in 1482.⁶

D. 10 Feb. 1483, when Elizabeth, aged 3, was his da. and h.

DOWNE, JOHN Á (1410-70); King's Servant. M.P. Guildford 1449-50.

So many of the King's Household came from Cheshire, that this man may be a Done of Utlington.

In 1430 a duel was arranged at Smithfield between John Upton, appellant, and John Doune, defendant—not an unlikely beginning for an esquire of the Household, *cf.* D'Artagnan.

Parlt. in 1449-50 exempted from the Act of Resumption John Doun esq. of the Household, in respect of £10 a year out of the issues of Cheshire, and the office of Rider of Delamere forest, Cheshire, with 3*d.* a day.⁷ A John Dunn, perhaps the same, was a Yorkist comnr. in S. Wales, 1461, a J.P. and of the quorum, for N'hants. 1463-5, and was as Squire of the Body made constable of Haverford West castle, 1469.

¹ Fine Roll, 8 Edw. IV (m.11).

³ *Devon Ass. Trans.* xxxv. 256.

⁵ He is on the comn. of 15 June 1482 and absent from that of 14 May 1483.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 61/67.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1482), 261.

⁴ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. p. 192.

DOWNE, RICHARD à.

M.P. Bodmin 1497.

Undiscovered.

DOWNE, ROBERT à (1430-74); of Hythe, merchant. M.P. Hythe 1472-4.¹

A *William* Downe, gent., was pardoned for being out with Cade in 1450 and may possibly be his father. Robert was a freeman of Hythe,² and bailiff there 1466-7.³

Dead by 13 Jan. 1474;⁴ probably William Downe M.P. Hythe 1483 and 1487 was his son.

DOWNE, WILLIAM à (1455-1504); of Hythe, merchant. M.P. Hythe 1483 (1),⁵ 1487.

Probably s. of Robert à Downe M.P., Hythe (1430-74). In 1481 a William à Downe, who was administrator of Thomas à Downe, late husband of Idoine, widow of William Thorne, sued feoffees to uses for a messuage in Chartham, Kent.⁶ He is not the William who was h. of Downe, Essex, in 1501.

D. 1504; will, dat. 19 Jan. 1503, pr. in Canterbury Prob. Reg., no date.⁷

DOWNING, JOHN (1400-60); of Plymouth. M.P. Plympton 1453-4.

In 1428 John Downing and four others held land in Lipson in North East Plymouth.⁸ Later John Downing and Alice his wife, late wife of William Sale, sued the executor of Sale's will for money bequeathed by Sale to Alice.⁹

DOWRYSSH see DOURISH.

DOWSTOW, WILLIAM; of Dorset, lawyer. M.P. Poole 1491-2.

An attorney in Somerset and Dorset suits, 1490 (onwards).¹⁰

DOYLEY, THOMAS (1415-65); of Dover, esq.; an official in Dover Castle. M.P. Dover 1453-4.

M. Elizabeth, widow of Ralph Toke M.P. (d. 1451).

In 1449 Thomas Fetherston (*q.v.*) sued Thomas Doyley and Elizabeth his wife executors of the will of Ralph Toke (*q.v.*) for allowance due from said Ralph as joint customer of Sandwich;¹¹ and William son of Ralph Toke sued Doyley and

¹ The whole community in Common Hall elected Robert Downe and Thos. Stace, 1 Sept. 1472.

² G. Wilks, *Parl. representation of Hythe*, 50.

³ *Ex inf.* Town Clerk, Hythe.

⁴ Hythe Accts. G.93, fol. 77d.

⁵ Elected on 22 Dec. 1482, he claims for 35 days at Parl. (17 Jan. to 21 Feb.), and 10s. expenses for entertaining the great (*proceres*) (Hythe Accts., G. 93, f. 265d).

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 56/178.

⁷ To be bur. in St. Leonard's, Hythe, next his mother. Residue to wife Katherine, and she Exix. with Robert Hokere and Wm. Inkpene. Supervisor, John Colman of Canterbury. Lands in Hythe to Katherine for life and then divided equally between my children, the longest liver to be heir to all. Witnesses—Xpher Warde, parson of Cheriton and curate of Hythe; Mr. Alex. Levynghon, Robt. Downe, Thos. Cove, etc. (C. vii, ff. 87, 87d).

⁸ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 20/75.

¹⁰ Plea Rolls (K.B.), Trin. 5 Hen. VII.

¹¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 24/29.

other feoffees in 1461.¹ Thomas Doyley heads the list of Dover jurors in 1452, 1457 and 1462; he was paid for the Parliament at Reading 28 days from 3 Mar. and for going to London 10 days from 23 Apr.² Mayor of Dover 1453-1456.³ He was pardoned, 12 Mar. 1458, as "of Dover esq., *alias* gent., late mayor" (m.26); a Kent elector, 1460. That he was not on the jurat list in 1467 or thereafter tends to show that he was then dead. He is sometimes described as knight, and Bavington-Jones adds "official of the Castle".³ He must have been steward or Lieutenant there, acting as mayor in the critical years 1453-6.

DRAKES, THOMAS (1430-1485); of Maldon; lawyer; clerk of the peace. M.P. Maldon 1467-8.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Drakes (*d.* 26 June 1464), to whom and to whose wife Elizabeth da. of John Heydon esq. and Alice his wife da. and coh. of Robert Swynborne Knt., there was once a monument in All Saints, Maldon.⁴

Elector, Essex, 1455, 1467; pardoned, 1 Feb. 1462;⁵ manucaptor for Maldon M.P.s 1472; on 6 Jan. 1466, Thomas Drakes, gent., took up the freedom of Maldon for 20s.—paid; bailiff 1467, 1470-1, 1473.⁶ He was living 1475/85.⁷

DRAPER, GREGORY (1400-60); ald. of Norwich, mercer.⁸ M.P. Norwich 1442, 1447.

Sheriff of Norwich 1428; alderman by 1438;⁹ mayor 1449 and 1455; J.P. Norwich, 14 July 1439 to 9 Mar. 1443; elector of Norwich 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1450, 1453; comnr. in July 1458.

DRAYLL, THOMAS (1450-1512); of Ipswich, mercer. M.P. Ipswich 1489-90.

Probably s. of John Drayll, coroner of Ipswich 1443, bailiff 1457. It may be seen from his will that Thomas was 3 times married, very rich, and so liberal minded as to appear 100 years before his time. Only an ancestor of the pilgrim fathers would have left £400 to preach the word of God.

Bailiff of Ipswich 1478-9, 1482-3, 1491-2, 1496-7, 1503-4, 1508-9; on Ipswich comns. of gaol delivery 1488 to 1504, and subsidy comn. 1496, when *not* in Parliament. He was an exor. of the wills of William Wymbyll M.P. in 1485, and

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/302.

² Statham, *Hist. of Dover*, p. 166.

³ J. Bavington-Jones, *Annals of Dover*, p. 290.

⁴ Weaver, *Funeral Monuments*, p. 610.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1462—Thomas Drakes of Halstede, Essex, gent., late of Rayleigh, Essex, clerk of the peace in Essex (m.36).

⁶ Maldon Court Books.

⁷ Thomas Drakes of Maldon, gent., sued Simon Ludbroke (*q.v.*), draper of London *re* plate bought in London (*Early Chan. Proc.* 59/207).

⁸ In June 1439 John Cature of Coventry, merchant, was pardoned outlawry for a debt owed to Gregory Draper, mercer.

⁹ Alderman Draper was owed money in 1447, and again in 1451.

Richard Bailly M.P. in 1505. *D.* 1512. Will of Thomas Drayll of Ipswich, mercer, dat. 4 May, pr. 6 Nov. 1512.¹

DRAYTON, RICHARD (1400-1468); of Pirton, Oxon., soldier. M.P. OXFORDSHIRE 1437, 1453-4. Lancastrian.

S. of Sir William Drayton of Pirton M.P.,² and nephew of Sir John.³

He served in Sir William Bouchier's retinue at Agincourt; eschr. Oxon. and Berks., 1433-4; sworn to the Peace in Oxon., 1434; and had Letters of Protection in Jan. 1435 to join the Duke of Bedford in France.⁴ He was back in England in 1437 when returned for his county, and in 1441 when on a subsidy comn. J.P. Oxon., 17 Mar. 1447 to 20 Nov. 1458; J.P. Berks., 24 June 1449 to 22 Mar. 1452; exempted from office in 1452 and again in 1457; but he was on the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459. On a Kent comn. in 1463. Probably a Lancastrian.

D. 3 Oct. 1468, and his w., Alice Kirby, widow of Thomas Stoner, *d.* two days before him.⁵ Will, dat. 27 Apr. 1464, pr. 5 Nov. 1468.⁶

DRAYTON, WILLIAM (1415-70); of Bath. M.P. Bath 1460-1.

A William Drayton was collector of the subsidy in Bath in 1445.⁷ This is no doubt the M.P., and he is not the contemporary William Drayton of Drayton, N'hants., and Oxon. who died in 1465.

DREWE, JOHN (1445-1504); of Bridgwater. M.P. Bridgwater 1478, 1491-2.

Perhaps s. of William Drewe, a Somerset elector in 1450.

John Drewe was a coroner in Somerset *c.* 1470;⁸ first mentioned in the Bridgwater archives 1476—a witness; ordered to commandeer seamen for the fleet 1475; gauger in ports of Exeter and Dartmouth 1476; a trustee in Bridgwater

¹ To be bur. beside wives Margaret and Agnes. Many bequests to church, for a tomb, bridges, roads, maidens' marriages, etc. To w. Jane houses in Ipswich, £40 of plate, 300 marks in cash, and £10 a year while single. £400 for a "clerk to preach the word of God in Ipswich and the villages around," and to send a scholar to Cambridge. Anne his da. and h. was md. to William Hert, merchant of Norwich, and he leaves Hert "Baldry's" *alias* the Stylyard in Ipswich. Mentions "my lady Sullyard's garden" in St. Mildred's parish. Mentions land bought by my father from William Debenham. Masses for souls of Sir John Drayll, William Drayll, Amy Blake, etc. Exors. :—Thomas Baldry of Ipswich, merchant, William Hert of Norwich, merchant, my son-in-law, Sir William Barowne of Ipswich, priest (P.C.C., 9 Fetiplace).

² Sir John Drayton of Newenham *d.* 3 Oct. 1417, leaving Jane aged 8 and Elizabeth aged 5, his das. and coh. *Times Lit. Supp.* 12 Sept. 1935, p. 565.

³ In 1433/42 John Wenlock esq., husband of one of the das. and coh. of Sir John Drayton, sued the feoffees of the will of Sir John Drayton—John Delaber, Richard Drayton and Robert Quynaton—for alleged refusal to carry out the will (*Early Chan. Proc.* 38/39).

⁴ *Foedera*, V. i. 14.

⁵ *Stonor L. & P.* vii. I. p. 97.

⁶ To be bur. in St. Peter's Monastery, Dorchester, next the grave of Dom. Wm. Drayton. Bequests to churches of Horton, Kent, and Pyrton, Oxon. Exors. :—Alice his wife, Thos. Mülle, John Fythyon, etc. (P.C.C., 26 Godyn).

⁷ Fine Roll, 24 Hen. VI (m.4).

⁸ Anc. Indicts. of K.B., Index at College of Arms.

1481 and bailiff of the town; exor. of the will of John Wheeler of Bridgwater, 1484. Mayor of Bridgwater 1484, 1488, 1498. He was among those "already dead" in 1504.¹

DREWE, JOHN (1449-71);² of Peterborough, esq.³ M.P. RUTLAND 1467-8.

S. and h. of John Drewe of Peterborough, gent. (*d.* 9 Sept. 1459), who held in chief lands in Hunts. and Norf. On 25 Mar. 1462, William Greneham⁴ of Ketton, Rutland, esq., was granted the custody of the lands of John Drewe of Peterborough, gent., and of his h. John. No doubt this boy was the M.P. though elected at the age of 17 at most.

D. 10 Oct. 1471; when Elizabeth, da. of John Drewe, aged 25, was his sis. and h. Lands as before.

DREWE, THOMAS (1390-1453); of Seagry and Littleton Drew, Wilts., and of Southcot, Berks. Lawyer. M.P. Malmesbury 1426; BERKSHIRE 1442.

S. and h. of Lawrence Drewe of Seagry, Wilts., by Lucy, da. of Henry Restwold.

Surety for the custody of the lands late of Sir Robert Langford, 1419; sold Arborfield, Berks., to Thomas Bullok, 1421;⁵ elector, Wycombe, 1429; sworn to the peace in Berks., 1434; J.P. Berks., and of the quorum, 12 Feb. 1439 to 24 June 1449, and 22 Mar. 1453 till death; on comns. in Berks. from 1416 to 1449; and, though never on the comn. of the Peace for Wilts., he was a comnr. there also—*oyer* and *terminer*, 1452; elector, Berks., 1450, so that he was probably living in that county at that date.⁶

D. 1453, leaving three das. and coh.s.—Margaret, *m.* to Walter Samborne, Agnes and Isabel, and a sister *m.* to William Browning (*q.v.*).⁷

DREWELL, RICHARD (1415-85); of Exeter, merchant. M.P. Exeter 1447.

M. Jane, da. and h. of John Kelly (*q.v.*). His da. Alice *m.* John Hooker M.P.

Bailiff of Exeter 1446-7, 1455-6; mayor of Exeter 1458-9, 1463-4, 1465-6, 1481-2. Pardoned, May 1454,⁸ and 2 Feb. 1462.⁹ During the Readeption he was put on two comns., one being to enquire into riots at Exeter; he had a general pardon in Nov. 1471;¹⁰ his last appearance is on the Pardon Roll of May 1484.

¹ Bridgwater Corp. Deeds 112, 193, 316, 803—*per* T. Bruce Dilks.

² The inquest on his father's death gives John's age as nine.

³ Called "esq." on the Return.

⁴ Sheriff, Rutland, 1463-4, 1470-1.

⁵ *V.C.H. Berks.* iii. 201—called of Seagry, Wilts.

⁶ In 1453 Thomas Drewe, of Littleton, Wilts., and his wife Agnes, settled Buckhurst on their da. Margaret and her husband, Walter Samborne (*V.C.H. Berks.*; *Ancestor*, xi. 61).

⁷ *Geneal. N.S.* xiii. 149.

⁸ Pardon Roll, May 1454, as "of Exeter, esq., *alias* late of Stoke-Canon, Devon, gent."

⁹ *ibid.* 2 Feb. 1462, as of Exeter esq., gent., or merchant (m.36).

¹⁰ *ibid.* Nov. 1471, as of Exeter esq., *alias* merchant, *alias* of Halberton, gent.

DREWELL, ROBERT (1435-97); of Huntingdon and Little Gidding. M.P. Huntingdon boro' 1467-8.

Perhaps son of Robert Drewell of Waresley, Hunts., pardoned, 1446.

In Mar. 1472, Richard and William Bundy and Drewell conveyed a tenement in Huntingdon to feoffees.¹ Pardoned, 17 Apr. 1472, "of Huntingdon, gent., *alias* late bailiff of Glatton, Hunts., *alias* late of Lit. Gidding, *alias* late of Fen-Drayton, Cambs." (m.27). Bailiff of Huntingdon, when party to the election indenture of 1472—also a Hunts. co. elector; borough elector 1478. J.P. Hunts., 26 July 1483 till death, and on Hunts. comms. May and Dec. 1484, gaol deliveries 1488, 1490. To judge from his comms. of the peace, he died between Oct. 1496 and Mar. 1498.

DREWELL (DRUELL), WILLIAM (1444?-85); of Clothall by Baldock, Herts., and Waresley, Hunts. Lawyer. M.P. Midhurst 1472-5 (and probably 1470-1 and 1483 Jan.).³

S. and h. of William Drewell of the same, *d.* 1460, by Jane da. and coh. of John Mitchell, which Jane³ rem. John Brunne; *m.* Anne, who rem. George Alyson and was living 1495.⁴

An attorney in London suits, 1470;⁵ J.P. Hunts., and of the quorum, 16 Dec. 1470 to 1471; and pardoned, 7 Sept. 1471—evidently a Readeptionist. Elector, Herts., 1472, 1478; on Herts. comms. from 1473 including all those of 1483-4. With John Wode and John Apsley (*qq.v.*) he was a feoffee of Bodington, Sussex, in 1477.⁶

D. 26 Sept. 1485, when John, aged 13, was s. and h.⁷ This John died without issue, 1495. That William was a barrister of Gray's Inn is proved by his widow's pardon, dat. 28 Apr. 1486—of Clothale by Baldock, Herts., *alias* late wife of William Druell late of Clothall, *alias* William Druell late of Gray's Inn, gent., *alias* William Druell late of Werisley, Hunts. (m.10).

DRIFFIELD (DRYFFELD), THOMAS (1420-80); of Windsor. Servant of the Household. M.P. Wareham 1449 (1); Bridgwater 1449-50; Taunton 1450-1.

He was in the Household of Henry VI in 1454, and about that time a feoffee of land in Kingston-on-Thames, described as the heir of William Damyot.⁸ In 1467/72 Thomas Driffield and Robert Horstead sued the mayor and burgesses of New Windsor in connection with an action of trespass that had been brought against them.⁹ Driffield had a general pardon of his double outlawry, 24 Oct. 1475, as "late of New Windsor, yeoman."¹⁰

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 139.

² He was aged 16 at his father's death in 1460 (*Inq. p.m.* 38/39 Hen. VI, No. 5).

³ Pardon Roll, 11 Feb. 1485, shows Jane as da. and h. of Margaret and sis. and h. of Elizabeth late wife of Sir John Wood—and Sir John Wood sat for Midhurst. As Sir John Wood was Speaker 1483 Jan., his nephew very likely sat in that Parliament for Midhurst.

⁴ *V.C.H. Herts.* iii. 223.

⁵ Plea Rolls, 1470.

⁶ *Sussex Arch. Soc.* xxiii. 280.

⁷ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 129.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 6/233.

⁹ *ibid.* 38/249.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1475), 549.

DROLL, JOHN (1410-65); ald. of Norwich. M.P. Norwich 1455-6.

An elector in Norwich 1449 (1), 1450, 1453; sheriff of Norwich 1449-50; mayor 1453; called "alderman" when returned in 1455; on a comn. as to defences of Norwich, 1458. In 1466/70 or 1480/3 John Barrett, exor. of Edmund Sperhawke, late parson of Homersfield, sued Harry Cossey, priest, master of Rushforth College and exor. of John Droll of Norwich, for obligations surrendered before they were discharged.¹ Therefore he was dead before 1470 or 1483.

DRUCE (DRUEX), JOHN (1455-1505); of Bristol. M.P. Bristol 1495

Sheriff of Bristol, Sept. 1492-3; constable of the staple there in 1495; M.P. Sept. 1495; on Admiralty comn. at Bristol, 5 Dec. 1495; admtd. as mayor of the staple of Bristol, 1 Sept. 1497; on gaol delivery there, 11 Feb. 1497.

DRUELL see DREWELL.

DRURY, JOHN (1415-96/7); of Sandwich, esq. M.P. Sandwich 1449 (1), 1453-4.

He was one of the barons of the Cinque Ports to support the royal canopy at Queen Margaret's coronation, 1445; mayor of Sandwich 1446, 1449, 1456. John Drury of Sandwich esq. took out a pardon for the Cade affair, 1450, and in Sept. 1452 he was one of the men of Sandwich and Portsmouth whose arrest was ordered. Some time before 1457, with Jane his wife late the wife of Thomas Hornes, Drury sued Eleanor, late the wife of Aylmer Dyggys and heir of Thomas Hornes, for an annuity out of lands in Coldred, which had been settled on Jane by Hornes.²

His will was pr. at Canterbury in 1496/7.³

DRURY, Sir ROBERT (1452-1520); of Halstead. Lawyer; P.C. M.P. SUFFOLK 1491-2, 1495 (SPEAKER), (? 1497), (? 1504), 1510.

S. and h. of Roger Drury of same (1421-95), probably by Avice; *m.* (1) Anne eld. da. of Sir William Calthorpe M.P.; (2) Anne, widow of Edward, lord Grey.⁴

Educ. at Cambridge; admtd. Lincoln's Inn 1473, reader 1487, governor 1488, 1492, 1497. J.P. Suffolk, and of the quorum, 1488 till death. Elected Speaker, 17 Oct. 1495. The *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn* records that there was "paid to each of the Serjeants by the hands of Richard Drury, then Speaker of the King's Parliament, 10 marks," 1495/6.⁵ Kntd. after Blackheath 1497; subsidy comnr. appd. by Parlt. for Suffolk 1504; pardoned 1509; attested the treaty with Scotland, 29 Aug. 1509; licensed to empark 2,000 acres in Suffolk, 1510.

D. 1520,⁶ leaving a son Sir Robert Drury, who *d.* 2 Mar. 1536.⁷

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 37/37. ² *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/270. ³ Canterbury Act Book, i. 98.

⁴ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Robt. Drury. But who was Edward, lord Grey?

⁵ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, 105. ⁶ Davy, Suffolk pedigrees; Add. MS. 19127, f. 179.

⁷ The *Dict. Nat. Biog.* makes him Knt. of the Body 1516 and die 1536. The will of the Sir Robert, dying 1532/5 (32 Hogan)—mentioning sons William and Robert—does not read like the will of a man over 80 years old. Though we can find no confirmation of Davy's date of death, or of a further generation of Sir Robert's, we think it should stand as above.

DRYFFELD see DRIFFIELD.

DUDLEY, Hon. Sir EDMUND (1430-82). Soldier. M.P. STAFFORDSHIRE 1472-5.

Eld. s. and h. appt. of John (Sutton), 5th lord Dudley, of Dudley castle, Worcs. (1400-87), by Elizabeth da. of Sir John Berkeley; *m.* (1) by 1457 Joyce sis. of John Tiptoft, earl of Worcester, and (2) by 1465 Maud da. of Thomas, lord Clifford, and widow of Sir John Harrington, slain at Wakefield.

Kntd. 1456/7. In July 1468 Sir Edmund Dudley and Sir Hugh Calverley were serving at Louth in Ireland where they slew John O'Reilly, "captain of the nation and 300 of his accomplices";¹ and in Nov. 1473, in consideration of his losses sustained in the King's service in England, Wales and Ireland, he was made steward of some of the lands of the Shrewsbury earldom, during the minority of the heir.² He died *v.p.* 6 July 1482, being father of Edward, next lord Dudley (*q.v.*),³ and uncle of Edmund Dudley M.P. (1462-1510).

DUDLEY, EDMUND (1462-1510); of Atherington, Sussex. Lawyer; President of the Council 1506-9. M.P. (? Lewes, some Sussex boro', or SUSSEX 1483 (June), 1484, 1485-6, 1487, 1489-90); Lewes 1491-2; SUSSEX 1495, (? 1497), 1504 (SPEAKER).

S. and h. of Hon. John Dudley of Arundel and Atherington M.P. (1435-1500) by Elizabeth (Bramshott); *m.* (1) Anne da. of Thomas Windsor M.P., sis. of Andrew, lord Windsor of Stanwell (1475-1543), and widow of Roger Corbet of Moreton, Salop; and (2) after 1500 Elizabeth⁴ da. and h. of Edward Grey, visct. Lisle (*d.* 1492), by whom he had John Dudley (M.P.), visct. Lisle and duke of Northumberland (1502-53).⁵

He was a student at Oxford, and barrister of Gray's Inn. As he was present at the coronation of Richard III⁶ he may have been elected to the 1483 (June) Parlt. His father evidently controlled several Sussex boro's, since three such sent Dudleys to the 1491 Parlt. Possibly P.C. in 1485; helped to negotiate peace at Boulogne, Nov. 1492;⁷ J.P. Sussex, 1493 till death. The Parlt. of which he was Speaker apptd. him one of the comrs. to appt. the collrs. of subsidy for Sussex and the Isle of Wight⁸ (where he held land in right of wife and mother). In 1497 he was probably made under-sheriff of London, where he lived next, it is said, to Empson in St. Swithin's lane. Speaker, 26 Jan. 1504.

He was made President of the Council, 20 July 1506, and steward of the Rape of Hastings; named supervisor of the will of Richard Beauchamp, lord St. Amand, 1508,⁹ and was the friend and accomplice of Sir Reynold Bray and Sir Richard Empson. These three laymen built up the King's wealth and authority—changing

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1470), 193. ² *ibid.* (1473), 402. ³ *Staffs. Colls.* 1917. pp. 258-9.

⁴ The *Comp. Peer.* says *c.* 1495, but this is impossible in view of John Dudley's will, which makes Anne still living in Oct. 1500. Elizabeth *m.* (2), 1511, Arthur Plantagenet, illegitimate s. of Edward IV, and died *c.* 1540.

⁵ Few can prove their descent more certainly than Edmund Dudley, and the foolish Elizabethan story of his grandsire the carpenter is merely a sample of mediæval political calumny; just as the meaner hanger-on of politics will now whisper that someone's grandfather was a Jew. ⁶ *Excerpta Hist.* 384.

⁷ See note ¹ on page 286. ⁸ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 541, 542. ⁹ P.C.C., 2 Bennett.

England into order. Dudley took singularly little for himself beyond his great marriage with the heiress of Lisle—not even a knighthood. He secured, however, the hatred and vengeance of the old disorder. No Parlt. was summoned during his presidency. No doubt he would have killed Parliament if he could; but, in the end Parliament killed him. On the death of his master he was arrested, attainted and at last beheaded, 28 Aug. 1510. The attainder was reversed in the following Parlt.¹ Dudley, labelled “infamous” for four hundred years, is now at last receiving justice.² It may be recognised that he rose through Parliament and the law—however much he strained either weapon to serve his avaricious master.

DUDLEY, Hon. JOHN (1435–1500); of Ford, Arundel, and Atherington, Sussex. Squire of the Body 1490–1500. M.P. SUSSEX 1478, Arundel 1491–2 (and probably for one or the other 1483, 1484, etc.).

Second s. of John (Sutton), lord Dudley (1400–87), by Elizabeth da. of Sir John Berkeley; *m.* Elizabeth, da. of William Bramshott of Bramshott, Hants.

J.P. Hants, Apr. to Dec. 1470, removed by the Readeption govt.; heads the list of Sussex electors 1472; J.P. Sussex, 1471–5, and 1481 to Dec. 1483,³ and Nov. 1484 till death. Sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1483–4. He evidently adhered to Richard III; pardoned Feb. 1484 on the rising of Parlt.; rallied to Henry VII, for he was granted forfeited lands, 13 May 1486. On Sussex comms. from 1472, including that of Dec. 1488. He became Squire of the Body with a £20 pension, 22 May 1490; sheriff, Hants, 1493–4; pardoned, 6 Feb. 1500.⁴

D. 1500, the friend of Sir Reynold Bray and the father of Edmund Dudley. Will, dat. 1 Oct. 1500, pr. 26 June 1501.⁵ His inquest was not held till 24 Hen. VII (C. Vol. 22, No. 12).

DUDLEY, RICHARD (1473–1536); Chancellor of the diocese of Salisbury, M.A. M.P. East Grinstead 1491–2.

Sixth s. of Hon. Sir Edmund Dudley M.P. (1430–82), being his 4th s. by Maud, widow of Sir John Harington of Hornby (*q.v.*) (slain at Wakefield) and da. of Thomas, lord Clifford. Therefore he was nephew of Hon. John Dudley M.P. and first cousin of Edmund Dudley (*q.v.*) (both M.P.s for Sussex boroughs in this Parliament), and brother of Edward, lord Dudley.

All details of the Dudley family at this period have been studied exhaustively, and there is no other Richard Dudley who could have been M.P. in 1491.⁶ He was M.A. of Oriel College, Oxford, probably after he had been returned for East Grinstead; one of the two proctors of Oxford University by 1504.⁷ He held

¹ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Edmund Dudley.

² *Life of Edmund Dudley*, in the press.

³ Removed from the bench only when made sheriff of Hants and restored at the end of his tour.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 6 Feb. 1500—“late of Arundel esq., *alias* late of Adrington, Sussex, *alias* late one of our J.P.s for Sussex” (m.41).

⁵ As of “Hetheryngton,” Sussex, esq. To be buried in the College of Arundel, where wife Elizabeth is buried. Bequests to Earl of Arundel; to da.-in-law, Anne Dudely, to son Edmund. Exors.:—John Dudeley, the Prior of Portyngton, son Edmund, “and my kynde neighbour John Amys” (P.C.C., 9 & 23 Moone.)

⁶ *Staffs. Colls.* IX, ii, pp. 81 & *passim*.

⁷ *Cal. Bodleian*, Turner & Cox, 348.

much church preferment—Broughton, N'hants.; Burwell, Norwich (1507); St. Martin's, Birmingham (1504), etc. He "supplicated" for the degree of D.D. in 1508, but does not appear to have ever taken that degree nor to be called "Doctor".¹ In 1511 he was feoffee of John Ernley, the King's attorney, for lands in East Grinstead;² and was a beneficiary under his cousin Edmund Dudley's will in 1509. He founded two fellowships at Oriel, was a prebendary of Lincoln and London, and Chancellor of Salisbury cathedral.

D. 5 June 1536, when his heir was his nephew John, lord Dudley; buried in Salisbury cathedral, and his sister Dame Alice Ratcliffe in her will desires to be buried in the same cathedral "near her brother Mr. Richard Dudley's tomb".¹ Will, dat. 21 May, pr. 12 June 1536.³ A case of an hermaphrodite profession, unique in the 15th century, though to be found in the 14th when clerks were often elected to the Commons House.

DUFFIELD (DUFFELD), RICHARD (1390-1450); of Barton-on-Humber, Lincs.; lawyer. M.P. Grimsby 1413, 1414, 1420, 1421 (Dec.), 1422, 1423, 1425, 1426, 1431, 1432, 1433, 1435, 1449 (1).

Perhaps s. of William Duffield (d. 1422), by Margaret,⁴ and bro. of William Duffield who was Member for Grimsby 1425-47.

In Nov. 1433, Richard Duffield of Barton-on-Humber, gent., was a pledge for 300 quarters of barley shipped to Barton for the relief of the country there; pardoned with the same description, 14 June 1437; an attorney in Lincs. and Yorks., 1440; a clerk of Barton owed him 40s. in Lincolnshire, 1447.

DUFFIELD (DUFFELD) WILLIAM (1395-1450); of Grimsby; lawyer. M.P. Grimsby 1419, 1425, 1447.

Perhaps s. of William Duffield (d. 1422), by Margaret;⁵ see also Richard Duffield M.P. for Grimsby 1413-49. Probably a burgess of Grimsby; but a William Duffield occurs elsewhere.

John Kemp, later to become Archbp. of York, being elected Bp. of Rochester while in France with Henry V in 1419, had had the temporalities of Rochester

¹ See note ⁶ on p. 286.

² *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i, 386.

³ To be bur. in Salisbury Cathedral. Bequests to the Canons House for prayers, etc., 15 lbs. of bread for the poor, and two silver patens for the Cathedral. Bequests to the par. ch. of Westbury, Wilts.; the prebendary of Durneford; the hospital of St. John Baptist by Wilton; the ch. of the B.V.M., Masham, Yorks.; the par. ch. of Walton, Lancs.; the prebendary and par. ch. of St. Margaret, Lancaster; the ch. of Knyghton; the par. ch. of Brington; the chapel of Longford; the prebendary of Masham Kirkebye; the par. ch. of Birmingham; the par. ch. of Sutton by Brayles, Glos.; two chapels, Bratton and Silton to be added to the par. ch. of Westbury. To the Royal College of Oxford £40, a silver ciphum and one of a base metal for exorcism. Bequests to the family of Henry Wrottesley, to Edmund Wrottesley; John Welsh; John Wrottesley the bro. of Henry W.; bros. Robert, Thomas, and George Dudeley; to Alwin (?) Ratcliff, priest; godson Richard Wrottesley, s. of Henry W.; god-da. Anne Wrottesley; Dorothea Wrottesley and her bro.; Henry Long (q.v.); godchildren Richard Long and Thomasine Long; Dame Eleanor, w. of Henry; nephew Piers Addleton. Sister Alice Ratcliffe. Exors., George Dudley and Henry Wrottesley (P.C.C., 36 Hogen).

⁴ Inscription on tomb in Grimsby church (G. Holles, *Grimsby Notes*, 1640).

⁵ G. Holles, *Grimsby Notes*, 1640.

vested in the keeping of trustees, 27 July 1419. Of those trustees William Duffield and John Berningham were still alive on 30 Oct. 1436, when the King pardons them for arrears of profits taken. He appears in 1430 as Mr. William Duffelde, clerk.

DUKE *alias* TUKE, WILLIAM (1410-75); of Exeter, merchant. M.P. Exeter 1461-2, 1463-5.

M. Juliana, who had *rem.* William Clerk, Duke's exor., by 1485.¹

Bailiff of Exeter 1438; senior bailiff 1448;² on Exeter comns. from 1437. He and his wife had an indult for a portable altar, 1448.³ Pardoned, 23 May 1452, as of Exeter, mercer, merchant, late of Chudleigh, Devon (m.23); again 8 Nov. 1455, *alias* Tuke (m.17); again 5 Jan. 1458, *alias* Tuke (m.28).

J.P. Devon, and of the quorum, 10 July 1457, being then mayor, to 16 June 1458; mayor of Exeter 1456-7 and 1459-61, returning himself to Parliament. As mayor he was one of those ordered to arrest the bastard of Exeter, and to seize ships, 23 May 1461. Pardoned 4 Oct. 1468, as customer of Exeter and Dartmouth. He was on the Exeter riots comn., Dec. 1470; apptd. controller of customs as before, 3 Oct. 1471; pardoned as late collector of customs and subsidy, 8 Mar. 1473.

He was probably dead by 20 Apr. 1477, when his *late* clerk or deputy was pardoned.

DUKE, WILLIAM (1420-80); of Hawkhurst, Kent. Servant to the Treasurer. M.P. Horsham 1450-1.

William Duke esq., servant to Marmaduke Lumley, bishop of Carlisle and Treasurer of England, was granted the reversion of the office of King's Serjeant-at-Arms, with 1s. a day wage, Feb. 1449;⁴ as "of Hawkhurst" he sued Thomas Fordman and William Forde for lands in Hawkhurst of which he had been enfeoffed by Gilbert Duke, 1450/3.⁵ John Stacy and Jane his wife sued for lands in Chertsey of which they had been enfeoffed by William Duke, 1457/60;⁶ but in 1475/85 Thomas son of William Duke, late of Ruislip, Mdsx., sued Isabel, widow and executrix, and John, eldest son and executor of William Duke, for non-payment of a gift made by his father to him on his death bed.⁷ So he was dead in 1475/85 and had *m.* Isabel who survived him. His s. and h. was evidently John Duke.

DUKMANTON, THOMAS (1430-85); of Exeter; of the Exchequer. M.P. Exeter 1463-5.

In Sept. 1461 the mayor of Plymouth and others including Dukmanton were comsnd. to make arrests. In 1472 Thomas Dogmanton of Exeter, gent., was surety for Thomas Elyot as "approver" of the subsidy and ulnage on cloth in Devon and Cornwall.⁸ He is perhaps the same, for the name is rare, as the King's servitor who was made weigher of money in the Exchequer, 18 July 1461.

DUMMER, ROBERT (1420-80); of Winchester. M.P. Taunton 1449 (1).

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 53/30.

² *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

³ *Cal. Papal Regrs.* x. 383.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1449), 214.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 7/41.

⁶ *ibid.* 7/66.

⁷ *ibid.* 60/123.

⁸ Fine Roll, 12 Edw. IV (m.8).

Dummer is in Hants, but Sir *John* Dummer sat for Somerset in 1306, and an *Edmund* Dummer sold Chilthorne-Domer, Somerset, in 1409. However that may be, Robert Dummere occurs in Hampshire in 1461;¹ and in 1476 a John Fesaunt and Isabel his wife, da. of Robert Dumere, sued Thomas Beke for a messuage in King Street, Winchester. This would seem to show that Dummere, as well as his co-burgess Gibthorpe (*q.v.*), was not a burgess of Taunton, but a nominee of the bishop of Winchester.

DUNSTER (DUNSTONE), STEPHEN (1435-1490); of Reading. M.P. Reading 1469.

Elected cofferer (*cistarius*) of Reading, Nov. 1460; occurs in the *Reading Diaries* 1463-88; mayor 1475-6, 1482-3;² elector 1478. When Richard Smyth (*q.v.*), yeoman of the wardrobe, founded a chantry at St. Laurance's, Reading, in 1505, one of the souls to be prayed for was that of Stephen Dunstone.

DUNSTONE see DUNSTER.

DUNTON see DENTON.

DURANT (DERAUNT), EDWARD (1425-80); of Bredon Cross, Warw., gent.; lawyer. M.P. Lostwithiel 1453-4; Warwick boro' 1467-8.

He must have been some sort of an official of the Courts of Law in 1453, so many are the cases mentioned on the Patent Rolls where he is owed 40s. by different people. He was an elector, co. Warwick, 1455; was being sued as under-sheriff of Warwickshire 1460/5;³ an attorney in Warwickshire suits, 1459⁴ and attorney in the King's Bench, 29 Sept. 1473, as of Bredon Cross, Warw.⁵ Edward Durant of co. Warwick, gent., and Robert Sampson of Leicestershire were mainpernors for William Hugford, 1 Aug. 1478.⁶

DUTTON, JOHN (1400-55); of Winchester, saddler. M.P. Winchester 1433, 1450-1.

Admitted to his freedom, 1421; for trespass against the freedom he was fined $\frac{1}{2}$ mark in the following year; constable of Winchester 1422; bailiff 1429-30; mayor 1444-5, 1453-4. While he was mayor the corporation accounts show 4s. paid to him for freestone bought from him.⁷

DYER, EDWARD (1405-60); of Reading. M.P. Reading 1445-6.

He appears as a pledge in Reading in 1435; was elected one of the cofferers in 1436; was a taxer of the London Ward of Reading in 1440; a cofferer again in 1441; and a pledge again in 1447.⁸

DYER see MAYHEW, ROBERT.

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¹ Anc. Indicts. of King's Bench, 9/299.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/271.

⁵ Anc. Indicts. of K.B. 9/334. 34B.

⁷ *Ex inf.* J. S. Furley.

² *Reading Diaries*, i. pp. 50-87.

⁴ Plea Rolls, K.B. 1459.

⁶ Fine Roll, 12 Edw. IV (m.7).

⁸ Guilding, *Reading Diaries*, i. pp. 5-28.

EARLEY (ERLEIGH), RICHARD (1440-1502); of Maiden Erlegh, Berks., and Fonthill and Lackham, Wilts. M.P. Chippenham 1467-8; Heytesbury 1472-5; (probably Wilts. co. or boro' 1484).

Probably s. of John Erleigh, M.P. (1405-55). The ancient indictments of the King's Bench mention a Richard at Bristol in 1460 and on a jury at Chewes, Som., in 1462. Feoffee in Glos. 1476. In 1465/70 or 1483/5, Thomas Tropenell (*q.v.*), as feoffee for Richard Erleigh (his stepson), was sued concerning Stotescombe manor.¹ Richard Erleigh was pardoned, 23 Feb. 1484, as "of Fontell, Wilts., gent., *alias* late of London, *alias* late of Lackham, Wilts." (m.8). Parlt. was dissolved on 20 Feb., and he probably sat in that Parlt. Tropenell made bequests to Erleigh in his will, 1487/8.²

D. 24 Mar. 1502, when Margaret Chafyn, aged 30, was his sis. and heiress. Lands—Wilts. and Berks. Will, dat. 22 Mar. 1502, pr. 9 June 1502. All his goods for masses, etc., his settled lands in Wilts. and Berks. to Thomas Chafyn and wife and their heirs of body with remainder to Walter Servington. Exors.:—Sir Walter Hungerford, Edward Hungerford, esq., and Walter Cervington, esq. (P.C.C., 8 Blamyr).

EARNLEY (ERNELEY), JOHN (1420-65); of Sidlesham, Sussex; lawyer. M.P. Ludgershall 1449-50.

Perhaps s. of John Ernley of Earnley, Sussex, by Jane, da. and h. of Simon Best; *m.* Anne (or Margaret), da. of Constantine Darell (*q.v.*).³

A feoffee of Warnham, Sussex, 1458; J.P. Sussex, and of the quorum, 1 Sept. 1460 till death; on Sussex comns. after the Yorkist victory; a juror at Lewes c. 1462; a feoffee for Sir Ralph Butler, lord Sudeley in Kent, 1465.

D. 1465; will dat. 2 Oct., pr. 17 Oct. 1465. To be bur. at Sidlesham. Bequest to his w. Margaret and to Humphrey his s. Exors.:—his w. Margaret, his mother Jane; Supervisor, Humphrey Heuster (*q.v.*) (P.C.C., 10 Godyn).

EARNLEY (ERNELEY), WILLIAM (1415-65); of Manhood by Earnley, Sussex. M.P. Arundel 1447; Bramber 1460-1.

Probably s. of William Earnley of the same.⁴

(Sworn to the peace in Sussex, 1434); a feoffee in Bucks., 1445; pardoned 20 Mar. 1452, as "of Arundel" (m.2); pardoned outlawry for not appearing in Oct. 1457. On 23 Mar. 1465 licence was granted to John, lord Dudley, and William Earnley, to convey to feoffees Oswestry castle and all other lands of the Fitz-Alans, including Arundel castle, so that he was probably a trustee or servant of the Fitz-Alan house.

We may suppose that he died 12 July 1465, when Ralf, aged 18, was s. and h. to William Earnley of lands in Hampshire;⁵ but a William Earnley was a Sussex comnr. in 1467 and a comnr. for musters at Weymouth in 1475.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/197.

² 7 Milles, P.C.C.

³ Harl. MS. 1443, Brit. Mus.

⁴ The subsidy Roll of 1411 shows William Earnley holding Manhood near Earnley, worth £20 a year (*Sussex Arch. Colls.* x. 135; xxxix. 100, 103).

⁵ Inq. *p.m.* 17 Edward IV, No. 2.

EASTER, JOHN. M.P. Portsmouth 1491-2.

If the name Easter is correct, this man is undiscovered.

EASTHOPE (ESTHOPE), EDWARD (1420-80); of Shrewsbury; King's Serjeant. M.P. Shrewsbury 1459.

S. of Richard Easthope of Easthope by Plash, Salop.; *m.* Alice, da. and h. of Ric. Forster and widow of John Knight.

From 1445, being called King's Serjeant, he had a 5 marks yearly pension from the lands in Presthope and Bradley, Salop., of John Esthope, a mainpernor of Richard Peshale of Chetwynd which Richard broke the peace. In 1451 he obtained forfeited land in Kent, and he was then King's Serjeant and "of the buttery". On 8 Oct. 1459 "Edward Esthope of Salop, son of Ric. Esthope of Esthope by Plash was admitted burgess of Shrewsbury, and paid 46s. 8d. fine at admission, has no issue". The admission was obviously for the purpose of election to Parliament. In 1461 the Drapers' Guild was founded and Esthope is the first on the list. Bailiff of Shrewsbury 1466; master of the Drapers' Company 1478.¹ This is a clear case of an adventurer settling down in his native place.

EDEN, HUGH (1440-1500); ald. of Grimsby, merchant. M.P. Grimsby 1472-5, 1483 June, 1483 Oct., 1495.²

Probably s. of Hugh Eden, mayor of Hull in 1454 and 1461, by a member of the Kingston family. He lived at Ivy House at the end of Fleet Street. Mayor 1471-2, returning himself to Parliament when he was paid 6s. 8d. and 17s. 8d.³ He and John Cokke were coroners of Grimsby when they brought a case into Chancery *re* the election of mayor, 1465/70 or 1480/3.⁴ Alderman of Grimsby by 1495.

EDGECOMBE (AYGGECOMBE), Sir RICHARD (1440-1489); of Meavy, Devon. Chamberlain of the Exchequer, Contr. of the Household, Knight of the Body, P.C. 1485-89. M.P. Tavistock 1467-8, (? 1485, 1487).

S. and h. of Piers Edgecombe of Cotehele in Calstock, Corn., by Elizabeth, da. of Richard Holland, M.P.; *m.* Jane, da. of Thomas Tremayne of Collacombe, M.P.

M.P. 1467-8; escheator, Devon and Corn., 5 Nov. 1467 to 5 Nov. 1468; J.P. Corn., 9 Dec. 1474 to 10 Nov. 1475; on Cornish comms. 1473-4. His lands at Meavy were taken into the King's hands and accounted for in 1471,⁵ so that he must have been active for the Readeption; but pardoned, 8 Apr. 1472, "late eschr. of Devon and Corn., of Mewy, of Tiverton, of Eggecombe, gent." (m.31). A Devon elector 1472; witnessed a Tavistock deed, 3 May 1476.⁶ He took part in Buckingham's rising and escaped to Henry Tudor in Brittany in Nov. 1483.⁷ Pardoned (in vain) by Richard III, 26 Jan. 1484, "of Mewe, Devon, *alias* of Tavistock, *alias* of Cuttall, Corn., esq."⁸ He returned with Henry and was kntd.

¹ *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

² Then called alderman.

³ Shaw, *Old Grimsby*, 115; Oliver, *Grimsby*, 117.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/339.

⁵ *Enr. Accts.* F.11 Edw. IV. I.

⁶ Worth, *Cal. Tavistock Par. Records*, p. 80.

⁷ *Polidore Vergil*, p. 200.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), p. 456.

at Bosworth. He received at once the following rewards :—Chamberlain of the Exchequer (*vice* Catesby), feodary of the Duchy of Cornwall, constable and recorder of Launceston (all for life), steward of the earldoms of Salisbury and Warwick in Devon and Corn., Controller of the Household, steward of Bushey, Herts., constable of Hertford castle, keeper of Kerbuliok park, Knight of the Body, J.P. —and Parliament exempted him from resumption.¹ In Dec. 1485 he was one of those sent to Calais, described as King's Counsellor, to treat for the surrender of the garrison.² Pardoned, 5 Feb. 1486, "of Cuthill in Calstoke, Corn., late esq., *alias* late of Mewy, Devon, *alias* knight" (m.5). In June 1486, for his services overseas, he was granted in tail male the castle and lordship of Totnes,³ and licence to export 100 sacks of wool to the Mediterranean.⁴ Sheriff, Corn. and Devon, 1486–7, with 100 marks reward. As Controller he was negotiating with the Scots 1487;⁵ as King's Counsellor and Controller he went to Ireland in May 1488 to bring over certain magnates to treat, and for this he was paid £300.⁶ In Dec. 1488 he was treating with the Duchess of Brittany,⁷ and he died at Morlaix, 7 Sept. 1489; Piers, aged 12, was his s. and h.⁸ In 1491 the King presented to Totnes Priory by reason of the non-age of Piers, and Sir Piers had licence to enter on his father's lands without proof of age, 24 Feb. 1497.

Will,⁹ dat. 19 June 1489, pr. by widow Jane, 29 Apr. 1492.

EDGECOMBE (EGGECOMB), WILLIAM (1400–55). M.P. Plymouth 1447.

Possibly a yr. bro. of Piers Edgecombe of Edgcombe in Milton Abbot, and grandson of Hillary, heiress of Cotehele, Cornwall, who lived c. 1380.¹⁰ He was an attorney to give seisin of "Hanesknowle" in St. Budeaux, Devon, 1431.¹¹

EDMUNDE, WILLIAM (1420–80); of Wells and Reading, gent. M.P. Wells 1447, 1449–50, 1467–8, 1478.

S. and h. of ——— Edmund by Alice, da. and coh. of John Clement of Dorset.

In 1465 Thomas Clark (*q.v.*) granted to William Edmund his lands in Reading,¹² and in 1479 William Edmund of Wells, gent., sold land in Reading to Sir William Norris (*q.v.*). It is clear, therefore, that he combined interests in these two boroughs. By 1467 he was bailiff of the liberty of the bishop of Bath and Wells.¹³ He reappears often in the Wells City Charters, up to 1478. In Apr. 1467, being bailiff

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 367.

² Campbell, *Materials*, i. 195.

³ *ibid.* i. 448.

⁴ *ibid.* i. 451.

⁵ *Foedera*, V, iii. 186.

⁶ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 318, 321.

⁷ *Foedera*, V, iii. 193.

⁸ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 536.

⁹ No directions for burial. "My cosen Bowley's daughter and eyre which is in my keeping and governance to have to her marriage in recompense of such living as I have had of hyr fader of my goodes 100 marcs." (He was exor. of Bowley's will—19 Logge.) "If she dies before age then for her father's soul. 40 marks to sis. Elizabeth Tremayne. Debts due to Thomas Kelingrew, £40; to John Wattes of Bodmin, £20; to a mercer in Launceston for the King, £10; and as I trow to Thomas Lymbery 13s. or 6s. 8d." Prayers to be said for him at Calstok. Residue to Sir Reynold Bray, his w., and Roger Holland and they his exors. Supervisors :—Bp. of Exeter and Mr. John Arundell, dean of Exeter (P.C.C. 11 Doggett).

¹⁰ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

¹¹ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), III, 114.

¹² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. 211.

¹³ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* iii. 359.

of the liberties, he was exōr. to John Pedewell, canon of Wells.¹ Pardoned 16 Dec. 1471, as "of Wells, gent., late bailiff."

Dead in June 1485, when John Jeffrey of Wells and John Langham of Reading were joint feoffees of William Edmund "late of Wells, deceased, for land in Reading."² He left a da. and h., Jane, who *m.* Stephen Benet.³

EDWARD, JOHN (1415-75); of Northampton, goldsmith. M.P. Northampton boro' 1447.

John Edward, goldsmith, was bailiff of Northampton 1447-8. The Pardon Roll, 10 Mar. 1458, includes:—"John Goldsmith, *alias* John Edward of Northampton, goldsmith, *alias* late of Hanslope, Bucks., goldsmith" (m.26). Damages were recovered against him in 1470.⁴

EDWARDS, THOMAS (1450-97); of Wisbech. M.P. Stamford 1491-2.

All we have is his will, dat. Mich. 1496, pr. 28 Nov. 1497. To be buried in the parish church of Wisbech. Bequests to wife Margaret, son John, da. Agnes, sister Margaret. Residue to wife Margaret. Exors.:—wife, Geoffrey Smythe, John Prest, John Drab (P.C.C., 17 Horne).

EGERTON, JOHN (1453⁵-1518); of Wrimehill and Cheddleton, Staffs., esq. M.P. Stafford boro' 1478, and probably for Stafford or Newcastle later.

S. and h. of Hugh Egerton of same (1426-1505), frequently mayor of Newcastle-under-Lyme, by Mary (*d.* 1499) da. of John Dutton of Dutton, Ches.; *m.* (1) 1475 ——— Cotes, (2) 1478 Alice sis. of (Sir) Thomas Gresley of Drakelow, Derbys. (his colleague in the 1478 Parlt.), and (3) 1507 Eleanor da. of Sir Randle Brereton.

Early in 1466 he was rioting in Staffs.—with the Stanleys of Pipe against the Wolseleys. Steward of the Audley escheated estates, July 1509;⁶ J.P. Staffs., 28 Nov. 1509 to 18 Oct. 1514; sheriff, Staffs., 1511-2; eschr. Staffs., 1515-6.⁷

D. 31 Mar. 1518,⁸ leaving three das. and coh., who were sued by his bro., Ralph Egerton.

EGERTON, RALPH (1390-1451/2); of Wrimehill, esq. M.P. STAFFORDSHIRE 1429-30, 1442.

S. and h. of William Egerton of Caldicott, Ches. (*d.* 1420), by Helen da. and h. of Sir John Hawkestone of Wrimehill and Cheddleton, Staffs.; *m.*, before 1426, Elizabeth da. of Ralf Mainwaring of Peover, Cheshire.

Sheriff, Staffs., 1432-3; sworn to the peace in Staffs., 1434; and in 1439 he carried off young Ralph Delves from the custody of Sir John Gresley at Colton, and *m.* him forcibly in 1441 to his da. Helen. He was pardoned, with John Stafford, archbp. of Canterbury, for all purchases and alienations of the lands late of James, lord Audley, 1450.

¹ Wells City Charters, *Somerset Rec. Soc.*, lxvi, 151. ² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. 388.

³ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiii. 92.

⁴ *Northampton boro' records*, i. 385; ii. 538.

⁵ He is called 50 years and more in his father's inquest.

⁶ *L. & P., Hen. VIII.*, i.

⁷ *Staffs. Colls.* (1917), 263.

⁸ *Inq. p.m.* 10 Hen. VIII, Vol. 33, No. 63.

D. 1451/2, when Hugh, aged 26, was his s. and h.; will, dat. 21 Sept. 1451, pr. 24 Feb. 1452.¹

ELAND, WILLIAM (1415-88); of Hull; lawyer; customer of Hull 1455-61.

M.P. Hull 1450-1, 1459, 1461-2, 1467-8, 1469, 1470-1, 1472-5, 1478, 1483 (1), 1483 (3), 1484.

Admtd. to Lincoln's Inn 1432. In 1448 he and Preston, yeoman of the Crown, had a grant of the next presentation to Jesmond Chapel, Nhd. In 1449 Romney corpn. thought it wise to present him with a felt cap to secure his friendship. He was on Yorks. comns. from 1452 onwards, including the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459 and all Richard III's comns., but not those of the Readeption govt. though he was elected to that Parlt. A collr. of customs and subsidy in Hull 1453-7;² J.P. East Riding, and of the quorum, 11 July 1454 to 24 Nov. 1458, and 1 June 1459 till death; J.P. Beverley, 1 July 1458. In 1455 he was pardoned "late of London, gent., *alias* of Hull" (m.23), and 1 May 1458, when he is called esq., and "late customer of Hull" (m.25). There was pardoned also on this Roll, Thomas Eland of Batisford, Notts., gent., s. and h. of William Eland senr., *alias* cousin and h. of William Eland junr. (m.13). Sheriff of Hull 1458.³ In May 1462 he was pardoned as "late of London, gent., late of Hull, esq., late collr. of subsidy for Henry VI in Hull" (m.27). From 1456 to 1471 he accounted for the Honor of Peverill. In 1465 Archbp. Nevill made Eland his seneschall at Beverley.⁴ He was put on the Mint Committee in the Parlt. of 1467; and he was a feoffee for Lord Hastings in 1475. In 1470 he was remembered in the will of John Day (*q.v.*) customer of Hull, and in 1482 Sir Hugh Hastings left him in his will a buck every year, in gratitude for the good advice in law that he had given him.⁵

D. 1487/8; will, dat. 7 Sept. 1487, pr. at York 14 Sept. 1488. To be bur. in Trinity church. Lands in Hull, and in Notts. Residue to his w. Jane,⁶ da. of John and Denise Holme of Beverley.⁷

ELDESFELD see ELLESFIELD.

ELFORD, ROGER (1470-1532); of Plymouth. Town attorney.

M.P. Plymouth 1504, 1512-4, 1515.

The Elford family lived at Longstone in Sheepstor parish in the 16th century. They got Longstone c. 1500 by marriage with a Scudamore heiress, and it continued in the Elford family till 1748.⁸

He was paid 26s. 8d. for the Parlt. of 1504, half as burgess and half as "oure attorney." In 1516 Roger Elford, being town attorney, granted pasture upon Shittystor (Sheepstor) to Nicholas Littleton and his wife etc. He again occurs as town attorney in 1520/1.

D. 1532, and left das. Anne, Jane, Philippe and Dorothy.⁹

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 54; *Staffs Colls.* (1917), 214.

³ *Ex inf.* A. S. Harvey.

⁴ *Test. Ebor.* iii. 193n.

⁵ *ibid.* iii. 278.

⁶ *ibid.* iii. 192.

⁷ *ibid.* iii. 183.

⁸ Risdon, *Chorographical Description of Devon*.

⁹ Town Records, *per* J. J. Alexander.

² Issue Rolls *sub annis*.

ELINBRIDGE (ELMEBRUGGE), JOHN (1415-74); of Merstham, Surrey; Lawyer. M.P. Bletchingley 1442; SURREY 1450-1.

An arbitrator in Kent, 1446;¹ elector, Surrey, 1449 (2), 1453, 1460, 1467 and 1472; J.P. Surrey, and of the quorum, 10 Jan. 1457 to 15 Jan. 1459, and 9 Dec. 1460 to 1461, and 12 Apr. 1466 to 26 Feb. 1473; on all Surrey comms. 1452 till 1472, including the Readeption but not the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459; feoffee for John Gainsford of his manor of Poyle, Surrey, in 1460; an apportioner of the subsidy 1463;² pardoned 22 July 1468.³ A John Elmbridge was admitted to Lincoln's Inn in 1467, this may be a son.

D. 8 Feb. 1474; bur. with his wife Isabel, da. of Nicholas James, formerly mayor and ald. of London, in Merstham church, M.I.

ELIOT, Sir RICHARD (1455-1522); of Salisbury. Serjt.-at-law 1506-22; Justice C.P. 1513-22. M.P. Salisbury 1495 (and probably for some Wilts. boro' in 1497, 1504). Sumnd. 1512-4, 1515.

S. of Simon Eliot,⁴ probably the man who was mayor of Shaftesbury in 1478; *m.* (1) Alice widow of Thomas Dabrichcourt,⁵ and (2) Elizabeth da. and h. of William Besells of Besselsleigh, Berks., by Alice da. of Sir Richard Harcourt.⁶

Entered the Temple; J.P. Wilts., 20 Nov. 1494 till death, and of Essex from 1501, of the South Western counties from 1509. On comms. from 1493, joined in 1500 with Reynold Bray, James Hobart, Richard Empson and Thomas Lucas (*qq.v.*)—the legal, ruling clique.⁷ Subsidy commn., Wilts., 1504; Justice of Assize in South Western counties 1506—probably already a serjt.-at-law; appointed King's Serjeant-at-law, 9 July 1507,⁸ and as such at the coronation of Henry VIII,⁹ and pardoned.¹⁰ Summoned to Parlt. as a King's Serjeant-at-law and judge 1510, 1512, 1515. Justice Common Pleas, 26 Apr. 1513; kntd. 1513/20. The Duke of Buckingham was indicted before him at Bedminster near Bristol in 1521.¹¹

D. 4 Feb./26 May 1522; buried in Salisbury Cathedral. Will of Richard Eliot, knt., Justice of the Common Pleas, dat. 9 Oct. 1520, pr. 26 May 1522.¹²

¹ In 1446 John Pympe and John Elmebrigge, arbitrators between Hugh Stanlowe esq. and John Orgar, sue John Orgar for refusal to make an estate to Hugh Stanlowe of lands in Kent (*Early Chan. Proc.* 16/502).

² Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV (m.20).

³ As John Elmbridge of Mersham, Surrey, senior, gent. (m.36).

⁴ Pledge for the Shaftesbury M.P.s 1467.

⁵ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 1140. Alice, then wife of Thomas Dabrichcourt and now of Richard Eliot, was "gossip" in 1479.

⁶ *Dunlop pedigrees.* ⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1500), 188.

⁸ *ibid.* (1507), 539. ⁹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. p. 39.

¹⁰ *ibid.* i. 226—administrator of the goods of William Eliot clerk, tenant of half Compton-Chamberleyn, Wilts. (*ibid.* i. 226).

¹¹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 106; pp. 484, 1452.

¹² To be bur. in Salisbury cathedral or at discretion of exors. Bequests to churches; to Lincoln Coll., Oxford; for reparation of church at Long Combe, Oxon.; to fellows of All Souls and to the Master of the Temple. Bequest to his "sons" John Fetiplace the elder and the younger, Edward, Anthony and Thos. Fetiplace. Lands to his son Thomas Eliot, successive remainders to da. Margaret wife of Robert Puttenham esq. and to cousin Thomas Findern of Carlton, Cambs., esq. Other lands to John Michell, *alias* Elyot of Coker, Som. (s. of Philip s. of Michell Elyot my grandfather) and then to John Huet of Taunton and to John Soper (sons of Alice da. of Katherine Lydford sister to my father, Simon Elyot. Exors.:—son Thomas and da. Margaret (P.C.C., 24 Maynwarynge).

ELLESFIELD (ELDESFELD), WILLIAM (1410-60); of Gloucester, mercer.
M.P. Gloucester boro' 1453-4.

Elector and bailiff 1442, 1449 (1); one of 12 electors 1449 (2); bailiff 1453, 1454. He had his house in the Mercery and a warehouse in Grase Lane, Gloucester.

ELLIS (ELYS), GUY (1410-70); of Rainham, Kent. M.P. Romney 1453-4.

Perhaps g.s. of John Ellis, M.P. Romney 1391.

He and Richard Grovehurst were being trespassed against in Kent in 1440; a feoffee in Kent, 1442; a comnr. of sewers in Essex, 1451; bailiff of Romney 1453.¹ He was dead in 1475, when the land in Rainham, Kent, is described as "late of Guy Elys".²

ELLIS, JOHN (1440-95); of Colchester. M.P. Colchester 1484.

Admtd. burgess, as "junior, born at Witham," 1462; one of the Common Council and of the XXIV; lived at Milend. "Clavifer" 1484-5. For his wage an annuity was granted to him on 14 Feb. 1484, see John Virtue, M.P.

ELLIS (ELYS), NICHOLAS (1415-78); of Hull; customer; King's serjeant. M.P. Hull 1442, 1455-6.

Chamberlain of Hull 1441;³ sheriff 1444; mayor 1455, 1464; elector 1467, 1472. On 24 June 1447 there was a grant to the King's serjeants, Philip Wentworth and Nicholas Ellis, of the office of surveyor of customs at Hull. Pardoned 1449; one of the collectors of customs and subsidy in Hull 1451-4;⁴ to levy the 50 mark subsidy from Hull in Apr. 1454, and on many other comns. in Hull down to 1467; apptd. controller of the great and petty customs, subsidies, etc., in Hull, 12 Feb. 1457. Pardoned 1458 and 1462 as merchant of Hull; again 1468, whereon there is added *alias* controller of customs of Henry VI in Hull.

D. 1478. Will, dat. 5 July, pr. at York, 5 Dec. 1478. Buried at Hull.⁵

ELLIS, THOMAS (1425-1488); ald. of Norwich; merchant. M.P. Norwich 1463-5.

Richard Ellis was M.P. Yarmouth 1421.

Sheriff of Norwich 1455; elector 1460; alderman by 1461; on comns., Norfolk, 1461-86. In 1467/72 Edmund Winter (*q.v.*) sued Thomas Ellis, merchant of Norwich, *re* award made by Sir Thomas Brewes in Suffolk.⁶ In 1473/5 a grocer of Attelbridge sued alderman Ellis and Geoffrey his son for a messuage called Randes in Attelbridge.⁷ He is probably the Thomas Ellis of Melford, Suffolk, whose will was pr. in 1488 (P.C.C., 7 Milles).

ELMEBRUGGE see ELINBRIDGE.

¹ Romney Records *per* Miss Roper.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1475), 540.

³ *Ex inf.* A. S. Harvey.

⁴ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

⁵ York Wills, v. 132.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 44/241.

⁷ *ibid.* 48/362.

ELMES, WILLIAM (1465-1504); of Stamford and of Lilford, N'hants.¹ Lawyer of the Temple; recorder of Stamford 1502-4. M.P. Stamford 1495.

S. and h. of John Elmes (*d.* 1491/3), by Elizabeth da. and h. of William Browne and Margaret heiress of Lilford;² *m.* Elizabeth Iwardby.³

Barrister of the Temple; J.P. Leics., Lincs., N'hants. from 1500, of Oxon. and Rutland from 1501 till death. On gaol delivery at Oakham, Stamford and Wallingford from 1501. Recorder of Stamford 1502.⁴ Comnr., appointed by Parlt., to supervise collection of subsidy in Rutland and Kesteven 1503/4.⁵

D. Mar./June 1504,⁶ leaving Thomas his s. and h. Will, dat. 21 Mar., pr. 21 June 1504.⁷ He was a copyist of the Year Books,⁸ as was also Thomas Babington of the Temple (*q.v.*).

ELRINGTON, Sir JOHN (1435-83); of Hoxton, Mdsx., and of Dixter, Sussex. Treasurer of the Household 1471⁹-83; Constable of Windsor 1474-83; Bailiff of Winchelsea 1474-83; Knight of the Body 1483. M.P. MIDDLESEX 1478, (and ? 1483 Jan.)

Perhaps second s. of Simon Elrington of Hoxton (deputy sheriff and coroner of Mdsx. 1472);¹⁰ *m.* (1) Maud heiress of Stoke Newington, (2) 1472/4 Margaret widow of William Blount (*q.v.*) and da. and coh. of Sir Thomas Echingham.¹¹

He was a clerk or servant in the Household by 1466,¹² and in 1471;¹³ elector, Mdsx., 1467, 1472, 1478; on Mdsx. comns. from 1468 (not during the Readeption); J.P. Mdsx., 29 Sept. 1472 till death. He accounted as "Cofferer" of the Household 1471-4;¹⁴ was made Clerk of the Hanaper in Chancery, 29 July 1473,¹⁵ for which office he accounted in 1473-81,¹⁶ being paid £40 a year.¹⁷ He accounted as Treasurer of the Household 1474-81, being granted £5,000 a year

¹ Lilford was settled on William Browne and Margaret, reversion to John Elmes and Elizabeth for life of Elizabeth, reversion to their son William and issue, remainder to John bro. of William. John Elmes and Margaret his mother-in-law were in possession, 1489 (*Cal. Pat. Rolls.* (1489), 294).

² William Browne of Stamford, stapler, had intended to found and endow almshouses at Stamford. He being dead, Margaret his widow and exix., Thomas Stokke, clerk, her bro., and other exors. established the almshouse to pray for the Queen, Sir Reynold Bray and his wife Katherine, Thomas Stokke and William Elmes, and for the souls of William Browne and Margaret, 28 Nov. 1493 (*ibid.* (1493) 450). (Presumably Browne's Hospital at Stamford, which still exists.)

³ See his will.

⁴ Drakard, *Stamford*.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 539, 540.

⁶ *Inq. p.m.* 23 Hen. VII, E. File 675, No. 51.

⁷ To be bur. in the Temple church, London. Bequests to das. Elizabeth and Jane and to John his son. Thomas his son to have lands in Stamford after the death of testator's mother, Dame Elizabeth, which she had of her father's gift. Exors. :-Elizabeth his wife, Jane Iwardby her mother, Robert Brudenell, William Cutlerd, serjt.-at-law (P.C.C., 11 Holgrave).

⁸ *Select Cases in the Exchequer Chamber*, lxxxv.

⁹ Issue Roll, Easter, 18 Edw. IV, No. 845.

¹⁰ He had a brother—John Elrington the elder; but their parentage is very doubtful, for a Simon Elrington, who cannot be his father, was an elector in Mdsx. 1478 called esquire; and there was a John Elrington, eschr. of Northumberland, 1453-4. See also *Year Book*, 49 *Hen. VI* (Selden Soc.), xxv.

¹¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1485), 495. Another sis. and coh. Eliz. *m.* Roger Fiennes (*q.v.*).

¹² *Exchq. Accts.*, 6-7 Edw. IV.

¹³ Issue Roll, 11 Edw. IV, 844.

¹⁴ *Exchq. Accts.*, 11-14 Edw. IV.

¹⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls.* (1474), 441.

¹⁶ *Enr. Accts.* F.15 Edw. IV. E; *Exchq. Accts.*, 217, 8-13.

¹⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls.* (1474), 441.

for 10 years for the expenses of the Household, 8 Dec. 1474.¹ As usual the Treasurer of the Household was also keeper of the King's wardrobe² and so he is described in the Issue Rolls of 1478-9 (the last surviving Rolls) when he is said to have held the office since Easter 1471.³ He is called alternatively Cofferer of the King.⁴ By 1474, and again as a grant from Richard III in Oct. 1483, he was Constable of Windsor Castle.⁵ By 1474 and till death he was bailiff of Winchelsea.⁶ During war time he was also Treasurer of War—as in 1475 when he accompanied the King as a man at arms with 30 archers and sat in his Council at Peronne; or, as in 1481-2, when he went to Newcastle to fit out ships against the Scots,⁷ and drew wages for 1,700 fighting men, or for 20,000 (!)⁸ Edward knth. him the day after Parlt. met, 17 Jan. 1478; Gloucester made him a banneret in Scotland, 24 July 1482.

He was not rewarded on the lavish scale of his Lancastrian predecessors. In 1475, being the lad's stepfather, he was granted the custody of Lord Mountjoy's lands and heir. The same year he was pardoned arrears of account. In 1476 he had custody of the lands and heir of Thomas Colt (*q.v.*) and was pleading on the boy's behalf before the Court of K.B., 1480;⁹ made Keeper of Hunsdon, Herts., 1476. In 1479 he had licence to crenelate "Dixtherne and Udimere", Sussex; sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1479-80. The salaries and perquisites attached to the offices were no doubt considerable and not, as in the previous reign, unpaid. While riding on business with the Chancellor, Oct. 1480, he was allowed 1s. 6d. a day.

When Richard III took the kingdom Elrington lost his post at the Wardrobe and as Treasurer of the Household, but remained clerk of the Hanaper, bailiff of Winchelsea and constable of Windsor, and was made knt. of the Body.¹⁰ As he and Sir Robert Charlton were to appoint collectors of subsidy for Mdsx., 1 Aug. 1483, so he was probably present at the quasi-Parliament of 25 June 1483 and in Edward IV's last Parliament.

D. before 12 Dec. 1483 (bur. in Shoreditch ch.) when Edmund Chatterton was granted his place at the Hanaper.¹¹ Margaret, widow of Sir John Elrington of Hoxton and exix. of his will, who died intestate, was pardoned, 10 Mar. 1484.¹² But he did not die intestate; he made a will while at Newcastle with Richard of

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1474), 477.

² *Exchq. Accts.*, 412/6.

³ See note ⁸ on p. 297.

⁴ Caution on this subject of the identity of offices is required however. On 14 Feb. 1470 a comn. was apptd. which included Thomas Vaughan, Treasurer of the King's chamber, John Say, Under Treasurer of England, Sir John Elrington, Treasurer of the Household, and Sir Robert Wingfield, Controller of the Household—all different posts!

⁵ *Arch. Cant.* xli. 33; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1483), 367.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 515.

⁷ Scofield, *Edw. IV*, ii. 318.

⁸ *Devon, Issues*, 501, 502.

⁹ *Plea Rolls, sub. anno.*

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1483), 367.

¹¹ *ibid.* 375.

¹² Pardon Roll, 1484 (m.11). She was pardoned again, 14 June 1485—widow and exix. of John Elrington knt.; Keeper of the Hanaper to Edw. IV, Edw. V and Richard III, Keeper of the Wardrobe and Treasurer of the Household to Edw. IV, a justice of sewers on Thames, bailiff of Winchelsea, *alias* da. and coh. of Thomas Echingham, justice of sewers to Henry IV and Edward IV, who was s. and h. of William Echingham (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1485, p. 495).

Gloucester—John Elrington, knt., Treasurer of the King's house—dat. 11 July 1482, pr. in 1483 in P.C.C.¹ It will be seen that he left two das. and four sons.²

ELTON, WILLIAM (1415-55/9); Yeoman of the Crown 1440-54; Serjeant of the Hall 1451-4. M.P. Coventry 1453-4. Lancastrian.

As Yeoman of the Crown he was granted the keepership of Tooley Park, Leics., with 6*d.* a day, 8 Aug. 1440. In Jan. 1445 he and Slifirst, both King's Serjeants, were granted forfeitures of cloth. With Bartholomew Halley (*q.v.*) he was made warrener of Flamstead, Herts., in June 1446, and he got the reversion of a pension of £12 a year from the abbot of Malmesbury in 1447. As Yeoman of the Crown he was exempted in 1449-50.³ Elton is called Serjeant of the Hall in 1451 and 1454.⁴ He lost Tooley Park and got his 6*d.* a day out of Norfolk and Suffolk, Mar. 1452. The 1450-1 Parliament annulled his pension from Malmesbury, but it was regranted 17 May 1453, and exempted from the Act of Resumption in 1455. At Coventry he was returned as the nominee of the Lancastrian party.⁵ Elton died before the accession of the House of York.

ELTONHEAD (ELTENHEAD), JOHN (1420-80); of Thorpe, N'hants. Lawyer and auditor. M.P. Old Sarum 1467-8.

Probably s. of John Eltonhead, senr., of Rothersthorpe.

Eschr., N'hants. and Rutland, 1444-5. Admtd. Lincoln's Inn 1445; auditor of the Inn 1449-50.⁶ Both senr. and junr. were electors, N'hants., 1447. Apptd. one of the auditors of the Duchy of Cornwall, 8 July 1454; and on Devon and Cornwall comns. in 1455. In 1456/7 he was back at the Inn and assigned a chamber;⁷ apptd. auditor of the Earl of Richmond's estates, 1461; admtd. to repasts at the Inn because he was auditor of divers magnates of England, 1464/5.⁸ J.P. N'hants., and of the quorum, 15 May 1465 to 16 Nov. 1470, 28 May 1472 to 10 Nov. 1475, 8 Aug. 1476 to 15 May 1480. On N'hants. comns. 1467-73; apptd. auditor of the Zouch estates, 14 Feb. 1468 (while M.P.); eschr. of N'hants. and Rutland 1471. Pardoned, 30 Apr. 1472, "esq., late eschr., *alias* of Northampton, *alias* late of London, *alias* late of Thorpe, N'hants." (m.33). In June 1472 he was on a comn. sent to Calais to delimit the boundary towards Picardy.⁹ Parlt. exempted him in 1473; and in 1475, 1478, he was a co-feoffee with Lord Hastings of land in Northampton.¹⁰

It would seem from his J.P. ships that he *d.* 1479/80. Some one of his patrons gave him his seat at Old Sarum.

¹ To be bur. in Shoreditch church. Bequests to church of Stoke "Newton", and Mawde his first wife to be prayed for there. To Margaret his w. 100 marks, stuff and plate at Hoggeston and Dixtern, cattle, plate and land which she brought at her marriage and had from William Blount or her father. Bequests to Isabel and Anne, her das. by Blount, for their marriage; to Jane and Anne his das.; to Simon his eld. s.; to John, Thomas, and Edward, younger sons; to the children of his dead bro. John. His da. Jane was *m.* to John Colt, both being under age. Exors. :—John Elrington the elder, gent., and Robert Forster (*q.v.*) (P.C.C., 8 Logge).

² Pardon Roll, 12 May 1487, includes—Simon Elrington s. and h. of Sir John Elrington, Keeper of the Great Wardrobe, Treasurer of the war against the Scots, Treasurer of the Household (m.21.).

³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 192.

⁴ *Privy Cl. Proc.* vi. 230.

⁵ *Coventry Corp'n. Leet Book*, p. 313.

⁶ *Black Books of Lincoln's Inn*, p. 19.

⁷ *ibid.* p. 30. ⁸ *ibid.* p. 40. ⁹ *Foedera*, V. iii. 23. ¹⁰ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. pp. 42, 193.

ELYS see ELLIS.

EMPSON, Sir RICHARD (1450-1510); of Easton Neston by Towcester. Attorney of the Duchy; Chancellor of the Duchy 1504-9; lawyer. M.P. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE (probably 1489-90),¹ 1491-2 (SPEAKER), 1495, (? 1497, ? 1504)—and he may have sat for Coventry.

S. of Peter Empson, "sievemaking" of Towcester (*d.* 1473); *m.* Jane who survived him,² leaving Thomas (to whom his father's estates were restored in Parlt. 1512-4), John, and four *das*.

He was a barrister; attorney for the Duchy in the Midland counties in 1480;³ and he must have acted for Earl Rivers, who requests in his will (1483) that "Emson, late Attorney of the Duchy of Lancaster be communed with about his tithes." J.P. N'hants., and of the quorum, 10 Nov. 1475 till death; on all N'hants. comms. from 1478, including all those of 1483-4; pardoned 19 Feb. 1485.⁴ Apptd. Att. Genl. of Duchy for life, 13 Sept. 1485; steward of Long Buckley and East Pury, N'hants., 1486;⁵ justice of eyre of all forests, 1490;⁶ recorder of Coventry, 1495. Elected Speaker, 17 Oct. 1491. In 1501 he arranged a marriage between his s. and h. Thomas and Audrey, *alias* Ethelreda da. of Guy Wolston (*q.v.*); other gentry gave him a retaining fee.⁷ Parlt. of 1504 coms. him to appoint the collrs. of subsidy for both N'hants. and Bucks.⁸—which must have been with his consent.⁹ Kntd. 18 Feb. 1504; steward of Cambridge University, 1504; Chancellor of the Duchy on Mordaunt's death in Sept. 1504; exor. of the will of Henry VII.

On Henry's death he was arrested on a trumped up charge, attainted together with Dudley by the 1510 Parliament, and beheaded 17 Aug. 1510.¹⁰ It seems probable that this Northampton lawyer gave more legitimate grounds than did Dudley for the hatred and vengeance of the squirarchy. He is said to have lived side by side with Edmund Dudley in St. Swithin's Lane.¹⁰

ENDERBY, JOHN (1385-1456); of Stratton, esq.; lawyer. M.P. BEDFORDSHIRE 1414, 1419, 1422, 1423, 1426, 1427, 1429-30, 1431, 1435, 1442, 1445-6.

S. and h. of Richard Enderby of same, by Alice; *m.* (1) *c.* 1405, Alice da. of William Furtho, who brought him land at Edworth; (2) by 1448¹¹ Maud da. of John Sewell, who *rem.* Robert Booth, and *d.* in 1473. He was succeeded by John his eld. s. by Alice.

¹ He must have sat in some Parlt. before he became Speaker; and, as he was coms. by the 1489-90 Parlt. to appoint the collrs. of subsidy voted by that Parlt., he was probably of the House. ² Surname unknown. ³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1480), 214.

⁴ "of Erstmeston, N'hants., gent., *alias* late of London" (*m.* 14).

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1486), 64.

⁶ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 501.

⁷ Grant by John Greville esq., to Richard Empson of 100s. a year "for his good counsel past and to come" (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 304). ⁸ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 537.

⁹ That he was M.P. and to appoint collectors in 1491, make it the more likely that, when he was to appoint collectors of the 1489-90 and 1504 subsidies, he was a member of those Parliaments too.

¹⁰ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Richard Empson.

¹¹ In 1448 Walter Huthe granted to John Enderby and Maud his wife and Richard their s., certain lands in Ledburn, Bucks. (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. pp. 3, 11).

He may have been in Ireland in 1416, acting as Reynold Grey's attorney there, and again in 1421; frequently a feoffee and witness in Beds.;¹ sworn to the peace in Beds., May 1434; J.P. Beds., and of the quorum, 20 July 1424 to 12 May 1439, and 26 June 1449 to 23 June 1455; frequently on Beds. comns. and gaol deliveries 1419-53; elector, Beds., 1417, 1420, 1421, 1425, 1432, 1433; lending money to the King 1435 and 1436; supported Reynold, lord Grey of Ruthyn, in disturbances at Silsoe 1437, and in the riots at Bedford 1439. Perhaps in consequence of his loan he was pardoned for having appeared at the Sessions of the Peace with 800 men and more, "for the most part girt with swords, and to have uttered contumelious words." He was pardoned, and his accusers were charged with malice in their accusation.

D. 5 Sept. 1456, John being his s. and h., aged 50.

ENGLEFIELD (INGLEFELD), Sir THOMAS (1455-1514); of Englefield, Berks. Justice of Chester and of Assize 1505-14; P.C.; lawyer. M.P. ? BERKSHIRE 1495, 1497 SPEAKER, (? 1504), 1510 SPEAKER.

Only s. and h. of John (*d.* 1465, eld. s. and h. appt. of Robert Englefield of Englefield who *d.* 1473), by Jane da. of John Milborn of London; *m.* Margery da. of Richard Danvers (*q.v.*) of Prescot, Oxon.²

Apptd. guardian of an idiot, 1486; had the wardship and marriage of Thomas s. and h. of Nicholas Stuckley, 1489; on Reading gaol deliveries and other comns. from 1489; J.P. Glos., Heref., Salop and Worcs., and of the quorum, from 20 Mar. 1493, and of Berks. from 18 Nov. 1494. Elected Speaker, 19 Jan. 1497; kntd., as deduced from his comns., 16 Sept./3 Dec. 1501; Justice of Chester 1505; Justice of Assize, N. Wales, 1506; commissioned by Parlt. to appoint collrs. of subsidy for Herefordshire, 1504. Justice of Assize, S. Wales, 1508. An exor. of the will of Henry VII, and at his funeral. It fell to Englefield to settle the claims for special services at the coronation of Henry VIII and he was a King's Counsellor before 1509. Elected Speaker again, 23 Jan. 1510, and after Parliament was dissolved he was given a pension of £100 a year, "for Counsell and attendance about the King's person."

D. 3 Apr. 1514, when Thomas, aged 26, was s. and h. This Sir Thomas Englefield became Justice of Common Pleas and was father of Sir Francis Englefield, M.P. 1553-8.² Will of Thomas Englefield, kn., dat. 4 Mar., pr. 24 Apr. 1515.³

It is remarkable that a Justice of Assize should be elected to the Commons, and that he should be chosen Speaker.⁴

¹ *Cal. Cl. Rolls.* (1430-4).

² *Ex inf.* W. D. Pink.

³ To be bur. at discretion of his exors. Requiem at Grey Friars, Reading. Arrangements for marriage of his da. Jois with the s. of Sir Simond Harecourt. £100 for marriage of da. Elizabeth when 14. To wife Margery his plate. Stuff at Englefield for use of son. Bequests to William Uvedale kn.; for repair of Rochester Bridge; for my father Richard Danvers' soul; £10 for repair of Wallingford bridge. Bequests to das. Elizabeth White, Lemham and Troppell. Exors. :—son Thomas, William Dale, Thomas Lathom, clerk, and Walter Bar (P.C.C., 36 Fetiplace).

⁴ He is not included in the *Dict. Nat. Biog.*

ERDINGTON (ERDYNTON), Sir THOMAS (1402/3-67); of Erdington, Warw. M.P. WARWICKSHIRE 1439-40; LEICESTERSHIRE 1445-6.

S. and h. of Thomas Erdington of the same, M.P. (*d.* 1434), by Anne¹ da. of Sir Thomas Harcourt, M.P.; *m.* in or before 1415, Joyce, eld. da. and coh. of Sir Edward Burnell of Billingford, Norf., who *d.* before Harfleur in 1416.

A feoffee of Ellenhall, Staffs., for Robert Harcourt (*q.v.*), 1433; sworn to the peace in Warwickshire as "of Erdington esq.", 1434. Sheriff, Warw. and Leics., 1434-5, 1445-6 (pricked while M.P.); on a few Warw. comns. 1435 to 1464; kntd. 1439/43; J.P. Warw., 16 Dec. 1460 to July 1461. Exempted from all office, being styled King's Knight, in 1443. He settled Barrow-on-Soar on himself and Joyce, July 1444, with remainder to John, viscount Beaumont. Founded a chantry at Bilston, Staffs., to pray for himself and Joyce, 1447/8. In 1462 he and Joyce were granted for life Bordesley, Warw., which had been forfeited by James Butler, earl of Wilts.—exempted 1467.²

He was dead after May and before 31 Oct. 1467, when his widow, Joyce, was pardoned all alienations without licence.

ERLEIGH (ERLE, EARLEY), JOHN (1405-50/5); of Mere and Lackham, Wilts.³ M.P. Ludgershall 1450-1.

S. of Robert Erley, M.P. Bedwin 1422 and Marlborough 1425, elector, Wilts., 1435; *m.* Margaret da. of William Ludlow, and she had rem. Thomas Tropenell, M.P., by 1455, when Erley must have been dead. Issue, Richard Earley, M.P.

In 1427 John s. of Robert Erlegh sued Robert Edyngdon, clerk, on a deed of enfeoffment by Sir William Esturmy of the manors of Wolf Hall and Crofton-Brayboef, Wilts.⁴ He was *m.* by 1439, for then Robert Warmwell granted land in Mynsterstrete, Salisbury, to Margaret, wife of John Erley and da. of William Ludlow (*q.v.*) and Warmwell's kinswoman.⁵

ERLEIGH see EARLEY.

ERNELE see EARNLEY.

ESSEX, WILLIAM (1420-80); of London and Coventry. King's Remembrancer of the Exchequer 1450-80; Lieut. Treasurer 1478-80; lawyer. M.P. Dorchester 1449-50.

Probably g.s. of William Essex, M.P. for Wallingford, 1406; *m.* Edith da. of William Marowe of Stepney, and had Thomas, Anne, and Elizabeth.⁶ William junior, if a son, must have predeceased him.

Essex was already a King's servant in Mar. 1447, when he and Mr. Kent, the King's Secretary, were granted a pension of £8 6s. 8d. out of Little Weldon, N'hants., and made collrs. of subsidy on cloth in that county. He was granted the office of tronage and pesage in the port of Poole, and controller of the customs of the port of London in 1448. In 1448 Essex and John Hampton (*q.v.*) were expelled from their office of collector in N'hants., but restored, and doubtless the

¹ But Sibyl was the widow, who was assigned dower, 23 Nov. 1434, "in the presence of Thos. s. and h. of said Thomas" (*Cal. Cl. Rolls*, 329). ² *Rot. Parl.* v. 583.

³ Probably an Erleigh of Mere, as the Ludlows were in Maiden Bradley adjoining (G. M. Young of Oare).

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 18/360.

⁵ *Tropenell Cart.* i. 151.

⁶ *Geneal. N.S.* i. 6.

pension also, in Mar. 1449. In Nov. 1449 Essex was nominated, evidently by the Chancery, as Burgess for Dorchester; and in Nov. 1450, "for good service to the King and Queen," he was made Remembrancer of the King's part at the receipt of the Exchequer with £20 a year, which office he held under all administrations till his death.¹ Clothes were issued to him yearly as King's Remembrancer,² and he was on comms. in Mdsx. from 1452 onwards, including those of the Readeption government. J.P. Mdsx., and of the quorum, 13 July 1454 till death; pardoned 10 Oct. 1455,³ and exempted from resumption in respect of his office, 1464. In 1465 William Essex the yr. appears with him as a feoffee. In 1475 he had the custody of John, s. and h. of Walter Writtle (*q.v.*). By 1478 he was first of the four keepers of the rolls of Chancery; on 27 Apr. 1478 he was apptd. "Lieut. Treasurer" and on the Council of "his relative" the Earl of Essex, Treasurer.⁴

D. 26 May 1480, when Thomas, aged 20, s. of William Essex and Edith, was his heir; lands—Mdsx. The heiress of Essex married a Harcourt in the next century, and from William Essex descended Sir William Vernon Harcourt.⁵

ESSHYNG see ASHING.

ESTERFIELD, JOHN (1445-1504); of Bristol, merchant. M.P. Bristol 1485-6, 1487.

Bailiff of Bristol 1472; sheriff 1482-3, 1484-5; mayor 22 Sept. 1487-8 (elected to Parliament while mayor) and 22 Sept. 1494-5; constable 1492-3; Justice of gaol delivery from 1488. He had a licence, 20 Oct. 1490, to pass between England and Bordeaux and trade with the same, importing wine in vessels of 200 tuns and under.⁶ His first wife Maud *d.* in 1491/2.⁷ In 1494 and presumably at other times the man elected Mayor of Bristol was elected at the same time Mayor of the Staple of Calais in Bristol. John Prout (*q.v.*) sued Esterfield and the mayor and commonalty of Bristol in 1493-4—Esterfield being a trustee and relying upon the testamentary customs of Bristol. In 1496 he was one of those appointed in the 1495 Parliament to select the collectors of the subsidy voted, and it may be noted that he did not represent Bristol in that Parliament. Exor. of will of Henry Vaughan, merchant of Bristol, 1499. He sent oranges and "sukcades" to Queen Elizabeth at Berkeley castle in 1502.⁸

D. 12 Aug. 1504.⁹ Will dat. 5 Feb. 1504.¹⁰

¹ On 31 May 1480 his office of Remembrancer was granted elsewhere.

² *Exchq. Accts.* 361/6.

³ As "of London, gent., Remembrancer of the Exchequer, *alias* late of Coventry" (m.23).

⁴ Issue Rolls, 18 Edw. IV, 845, 846.

⁵ The Visitn. and his posterity remember that he was "Under Treasurer of England."

⁶ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 518. ⁷ Will, dat. 21 July 1491, pr. 6 Feb. 1492 (P.C.C., 20 Dogett).

⁸ *Privy Purse Exs. of Elizabeth of York*, 43.

⁹ *Inq. p.m.* 7 Hen. VIII, Vol. 30, No. 29—no heirs given.

¹⁰ To be bur. in St. Peter's, Bristol. To his wife Scolast all such goods of her own that she had before the time of our marriage, and £300; to son George, canon of St. George's chapel, Windsor, 3 of my best gowns furred; to son Henry a psalter boke, a masse boke, and my best chain of gold; a bequest to his da. Jane Poppehayme; to his young son John £100, who is also to have the house in Temple St., which his mother (Maud) bequeathed him, and the house there I bought recently; bequest to Robert Popham. Exors.:—William Grevell, serjt.-at-law, recorder of Bristol; John Esterfield, clerk; Henry Esterfield; John Esterfield, the younger; John Rowlands; Richard Hoby; Thomas Harding; John Knollys (P.C.C., 26 Holgrave).

ESTFIELD, Sir WILLIAM (1385-1446); ald. of London, mercer. M.P.
London 1431, 1439-40, 1442.

Perhaps s. of William Estfield of the same (*d.* 1421); *m.* (1) Julia, and (2) Alice.¹

Sheriff of London 1422-3; auditor 1427-9; alderman, 5 Oct. 1423 till death; mayor 1429-30² and 1437-8; one of the merchants of the Staple who lent money to the King—£2,000 in 1430—8,000 marks in 1436; and in 1439 there is a note in the Exchequer Accts. of the delivery to William Estfield knt. and Robert Large of a basin of gold as security for a loan of £200. He had lands etc. worth £100 a year 1436; on some comns. in Herts. and J.P. for that county, 16 May 1435 till death; pardoned 1437;³ knntd., 24 May 1439.⁴ When he was elected to Parliament, 21 Oct. 1439, the Common Council granted him double the usual sum for his fur-trimmed parliament cloak and gown on the ground of his knightly dignity.⁵ On many comns. for London and Kent 1433-42; grant in part repayment of a loan to the King of £1,000, Feb. 1441;⁶ licence to hunt in season in any Royal Park in Essex and Mdsx., and to slay therein with artillery and dogs both bucks and does, and to carry away such as he takes, July 1443. Co-feoffee in Hunsdon, Herts., with the bishops of Lincoln and St. Davids, Lord Cromwell, and John Fray, chief baron, 1444;⁷ granted a £10 pension from the issues of Lincolnshire, 1444. In 1445 he had sold to the King the "Jewel of St. George," and soon after he died. He concerned himself throughout his life with getting a clean supply of water to the City.

Will, dat. 28 June 1445, pr. at Lambeth, 24 Feb. 1447 or 21 June 1446. Under this will water was laid on from Paddington to a standard in Fleet Street.⁸ John Middleton (*q.v.*) was his exor., and carried out the work. John Middleton, mercer, had been his apprentice.⁹

ESTHOPE see EASTHOPE.

ESTON, JOHN (1435-84); of Rye, senior. M.P. Rye 1478.

Rye paid 2*d.* for bed and drink when John Tregos and John Eston made the accounts in the church, 1474.¹⁰ Chamberlain of Rye 1475.

D. 1484—will of John Eston the elder of Rye, dat. 10 Feb., pr. 1 Apr. 1484¹¹—leaving John junior his s. and h.

¹ On 6 July 1444 the Patent Rolls give a licence for Wm. Estfield and Alice his wife to found a chantry at St. Mary's, Aldermanbury, to pray for their souls and the soul of Juliana, his late wife.

² He assisted at the Coronation and left the cup given him then by the King to his g.-son (*Letter Book K.* p. xii). In 1444 Henry VI asked him to be Mayor a third time (for Margaret's coronation), but the City would not re-elect him as an ordinance forbade any one to be mayor more than twice or within 7 years of their last mayoralty (*Letter Book K.* 301-2).

³ Pardon Roll, 1437, cit. and mercer of London, *alias* alderman, *alias* exor. of will of John Wodehouse esq., of Norfolk (m.29).

⁴ Gregory's *Chronicles*; probably in return for a loan (Issue Rolls, June 1439).

⁵ *Jor.* 3, fo. 25*d.*

⁶ No doubt to clear his debt, he was granted in Mar. 1443 £40 a year from the fee farm of Mdsx.

⁷ *Cal. Chart. Rolls*, vi. 50.

⁸ *Letter Book L.* 158.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/37.

¹⁰ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* v. (Rye), p. 494.

¹¹ To be bur. in St. Mary's, Rye. To wife Pernell two cows etc., to each son six ewes; mentions son John junior. Residue to exors.:—William Parnell, Robert Wymond and Henry Eston (P.C.C., 22 Logge).

ESTON, WILLIAM (1435-85); of Salisbury from Devon. M.P. Salisbury
1483 Jan., 1483 June, 1483 Oct.

Probably s. of Robert Eston, the bishop's bailiff in 1455.¹

Mayor of Salisbury 1473-4² when the city yielded to the bishop's claims. In 1485 before Bosworth Field, Eston was one of the three councillors of Salisbury who were given power to array the citizens.² He died soon after. Will of William Eston of Salisbury, dat. Apr. 1484, date of proof not given.³

ESYNGTON see ASHINGTON.

ETON (HETON), GEORGE (1410-59); from Lincolnshire; stapler; serjeant of the larder. M.P. Bridport 1447.

On the comn. of array, N. Riding, July 1434; accounts for the honour of Richmond in Lincs., 1451; on other Lincs. comns. in 1451 and 1457. In Apr. 1453 the Cardinal, the exors. of the late Cardinal, and Hugh Kingeston, George Heton and Thomas Bateman obtained a grant of all profits of wards, marriages, etc., until the debts owing to the Cardinals and the £2,000 owing to officers of the Household for arrears of wage should be paid. He, among other staplers of Calais, having lent money to the King, was granted the right to ship wool from Boston in Oct. 1454; and as "George Eton esq." he had been granted the office of the tronage and pesage in Boston in Aug. 1453.

He was dead shortly before 14 Apr. 1459, when Agnes Heton, widow and exix. of the will of George Eton, late serjeant of the larder, was pardoned all debts. George was a sufficiently rare name to make it probable that the same man was serjeant of the larder, merchant of the Staple, and M.P. for Bridport.

ETON see EYTON, or HEATON.

EURE, HENRY (1425-76/7); of Old Malton, Yorks.; lawyer. M.P. Scarborough 1449 (1).

Second s. of Sir William Eure (*d.* 1461/5, represented Yorkshire in this Parliament), by Maud da. of Henry, third lord Fitzhugh of Ravensworth; *m.* Catherine, da. of Robert Danby and widow of Richard Lassells.⁴

Elector, Yorks., 1449 (1), when elected for Scarborough. In Aug. 1461 the £2,000 that was owed by Sir William Eure of Witton to the bishop of Durham was transferred to the King; and Robert Eure and Henry Eure of Watton, and William Eure, clerk, of Watton, were joined in the fine (see Sir William Eure). In 1466 Henry was the eldest surviving son and one of the exors. of the will of his mother Maud. J.P. North Riding, and of the quorum, 16 July 1468 to 20 Nov. 1470, 25 Feb. 1472 till death; on Yorks. comns., sometimes called of Malton,

¹ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

² Benson and Hatcher, *Old and New Sarum*, 207.

³ To be bur. in holy turf. To bro. Edmund a gown, dublet, shirt, pair of hose, cap and 13s. 4d. A gown to the church of Morchard, Devon, where he was born. Residue to wife Jane and she exix.

⁴ A note to the will of Richard Lassells of Sowerby, made in 1469, says that the guardianship of his s. and h. Robert came into the hands of Henry Eure of Old Malton, who left it in his will to the boy's mother, his wife Catherine.

down to 1477. His elder bro. Ralph was killed at Towton, but must have left a son, the Sir William of 1476.

D. 1476/7; will, dat. 17 Oct. 1476, pr. at York, 5 Dec. 1477. Henry Eure of Old Malton esq.¹

EURE (IVERE), Sir WILLIAM (1395-1461/5); of Witton, Durham, and Old Malton, Yorks. M.P. YORKSHIRE 1422, 1431, 1442, 1449 (1).

S. and h. of Sir Ralf Eure of the same M.P. (1350-1422), by Catherine, da. and coh. of Sir William de Aton, with whom he had Malton, Yorks.; *m.* in 1411, Maud da. of Henry, lord Fitzhugh (*d.* 1425); she survived him, and *d.* 1467. Their eldest son, Ralph, was killed at Towton, and their second son was Henry Eure M.P.

Kntd. by 1415.² Served at Agincourt in the retinue of his father-in-law. J.P. North Riding, 8 July 1420 to 24 Feb. 1459; on Yorks. comms. to Dec. 1460, including the Lancastrian array in 1459 and the Yorkist *oyer* of Dec. 1460. In 1434 he was sent with Marmaduke, bp. of Carlisle, and Dr. Wylton on a mission to the King of Scots.³ Sheriff, Northumberland, 1436-7, but in July 1437 a comn. was apptd., on the petition of Thomas, bp. of Durham, to take from Sir William Eure surety of the peace in £2,000, "for that he has notoriously threatened the said Bishop with death and maiming." Nevertheless, in the following year he obtained the reversion of the stewardship of Holderness from after the death of Anne, Countess of Stafford. With Stapleton and Heron (*qq.v.*) he was retained by the King and in June 1442 he was one of those ordered by the Privy Council to keep the seas; joined with his son Ralf in the grant of a marriage, Nov. 1442; delegated to receive the oath from the Marchers to observe the treaty with Scotland, Dec. 1442; sheriff, Yorks., 1444-5. He appears on the Pardon Rolls in 1446 as William Eure, knt. *alias* Ivere, and in 1452 as "of Malton, Yorks."; exempted from all offices, etc., in Nov. 1448; and immediately elected to Parlt. of Jan. 1449. He was released 12 Aug. 1461 from the £2,000 obligation to the Bp. of Durham, but only on a bond to pay the same to the King before Whitsuntide.⁴ Similar "releases" were made to Robert and Henry Eure, late of Wotton, and William Eure, clerk.

D. 1461/5. Will of Maud, widow of Sir William Eure, dat. 12 Feb. 1467, pr. at York 30 May 1467:—To be bur. at Old Malton beside her husband. Exors. her sons Henry, William and John.

EVERARD, WALTER (1410-60); of Malmesbury, gent. M.P. Malmesbury 1442.

Perhaps s. of John Everard, M.P. Bedwin 1421, elector, Wilts., 1437.

Sworn to the peace in Wilts., 1434; was granted, jointly with Richard Fourbour, the keeping of the Priory of Clatford, Wilts., Dec. 1439; elector, Wilts., 1449 (1);

¹ To be bur. in the monastery of Old Malton. Bequests to his wife Catherine and da. Margery. Sir William Eure, knt., to have his grey ambling horse called "Dale." Exors.:—his wife, his bros., John Eure esq., and William Eure, clerk. Supervisors:—Christopher Conyers of Stokeburn knt., and John Danby esq. (*Test. Ebor.* iii. 222-5).

² *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1415), 459.

³ *Feodera*, V. i. 12.

⁴ This was in fact a heavy fine for having been on the wrong side. The bishop of Durham had been on the wrong side also.

occurs often as a witness or as juror in the *Tropenell Cartulary* 1449-59; pardoned, 5 May 1456, as "of Malmesbury, gent." He probably died before the next batch of pardons in 1462.

EVERDON, THOMAS (1415-71); of Bushbury, Staffs.; lawyer. M.P. Newcastle-under-Lyme 1449 (1). Lancastrian.

S. of William Everdon of Bushbury (*d.* 1441), a relation of Thomas Swinnerton of Hilton.

Thomas Everdon occurs first in 1443, and held land at Wamborne. He was a feoffee for the marriage settlement of Thomas Swinnerton in 1448, a comnr. in Staffs. 1446, and on gaol delivery at Worcester 1450. J.P. Staffs., 1456 to 1460 and 1461 to 1463; J.P. Worcs., 1458 to 1460—of the quorum in both cases. He was probably the Duchy nominee for Newcastle in 1449, and still Lancastrian in Dec. 1459, when he was put on the commn. of array for Staffs. He took no part in public life under the Yorkists, and died in 1471.¹ Will, dat. 21 Sept., pr. 21 Oct. 1471.²

EVERINGHAM, (Sir) HENRY (1420-70); of Withybrook, Warw. Squire of the Household. M.P. WARWICKSHIRE 1459. Lancastrian.

During the Bury Parliament (1447) the King's Squire, Henry Everingham, was granted Gloucester's manor of Chamberlain's, Essex, and a little later he had the reversion of the custody of the Yorkshire rivers on the death of Robert Manfield (*q.v.*). Exempted from resumption as Squire of the Household, up to 12 marks per annum, 1449/50.³ Comnr. in Warwick 1453; with Thomas Everingham (*q.v.*) he was a feoffee of Sowe, Warw., 1454; pardoned 15 Feb. 1456, "of Wytherbroke, Warw., esq., *alias* of Byrkyn, Yorks."; eschr., Warw. and Leics., 1457-8; in May 1460 he had ratified to him a grant of a 10 marks pension out of Berkeswell, Warw., dat. 29 Nov. 1450; kntd. 1460/8, probably at the Queen's coronation; pardoned 14 Sept. 1468.⁴

As he appears in none of the pardon rolls or comns. of 1470-1, he was probably dead by that time.

EVERINGHAM, THOMAS (1400-65); of Newhall, Leics., and of Beverley, Yorks. Soldier. M.P. LEICESTERSHIRE 1449 (1), 1453-4. Lancastrian.

M. Margaret, widow of Reynold Moton, and da. of Edmund, and sister and h. of Baldwin Bugge.⁵

He served at the battle of Verneuill in 1424, and was on the expedition into Anjou in 1425.⁶ Returning to England he was made customer of Hull; but in

¹ *Staffs. Colls.* (1917), p. 232.

² To be bur. in the Friars Minor, Worcester. Bequests to the Friars Minor in Bridgnorth. Roger Everdon and Thomas Swinnerton to be his feoffees and exors. Bequests of £40 to his da. Anne; 40 marks to his da. Agnes; and £20 to his da. Amysie. His s. Nicholas was to be apprenticed to the Mercers in London, or any other honest craft. His wife Elizabeth to have the manor of Sewall, Staffs., for life, with remainder to his son Humphrey. A third son, Henry, is also mentioned (P.C.C., 3 Wattys).

³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 191.

⁴ Knt., late eschr. of Henry VI in Warwickshire, *alias* occupier of Wytherbroke, Warw., kntd., late of Withibroke, Leics. (m.19).

⁵ *Geneal N.S.* xviii. 238; *Early Chan. Proc.* 23/114.

⁶ Stevenson, *L. & P.* ii. 394, 412.

1443 he was back in France and Lieut. of Honfleur; he remained, however, customer of Hull.¹ A feoffee for the late Duke of Somerset in July 1445; pardoned 1446; sheriff, Warw. and Leics., 1446-7; J.P. Leics., 22 Nov. 1458 to 26 Aug. 1460; on comms. in Yorks. and Leics. from 1442 to the Lancastrian array in Dec. 1459. Everingham was summoned to the Great Council for Leics. in Apr. 1455; and he and Margaret his wife sued for the next presentation to the church at Thurlston in 1456.² He was a follower of Viscount Beaumont, who wrote in 1454/9 asking his son-in-law, Lord Lovell, to get "his beloved Thomas Everingham" the stewardship of Bagworth.³

In 1457 he was commissioned to arrest all vessels in Hull for service against the King's enemies; and in May 1460, for his good service to the King and to Henry V, "both beyond seas and against the rebels," he was given the office of steward of Cottingham, Yorks., forfeited by the Duke of York. He was specially excepted by name from the pardon which Edward offered on 6 Mar. 1461, and therefore he probably fought at Wakefield. He may have been killed at Towton, but more probably died naturally shortly before 1465; for, on 11 Nov. 1465, Margaret Everingham, widow, and Thomas Everingham of Sheffield were cited as exors. of the will of Thomas Everingham, late of York. Sir Henry Everingham, M.P., may be son or brother.⁴

EVINGTON, WILLIAM (1430-88); ald. of Windsor. Keeper of Windsor Park 1461-71; Verger of St. George's, Windsor, 1471-88. M.P. Windsor 1467-8, 1472-5, 1478.

As King's servant he was made keeper of the new park of Windsor, June 1461, and as such exempted in 1464 and 1467. He lost this post, 20 July 1471, and was apptd. instead Verger of the rod of St. George's, Windsor, being described as "the King's domestic servant."⁵ Ald. of Windsor by 1473.⁶ He is called "esq." on 13 Apr. 1475, when re-granted a London house which had been resumed in the last Parlt. Edward IV granted him also a corrody on Ely priory.⁷ On 24 May 1483 Edward Hardgill (*q.v.*) was joined with him as Verger at Windsor; and Richard III confirmed this re-grant. The London house, or land in Shoreditch and a garden in Mark Lane, was exempted from resumption in 1485.⁸ In Mar. 1487 he was joined in his Ely corrody by William Jurdan.

D. 1488, and was succeeded by Ralph Ashton, esq., as Verger of St. George's. Will, dat. 4 Mar., pr. 9 Oct. 1488.⁹

¹ Issue Roll, Easter 21 Hen. VI, No. 749.

² See note ⁵ on p. 307.

³ *Paston Letters*, i. 442.

⁴ In 1477/85 John Dutton, servant to Thomas Everingham, late one of the English captains with the Duke of Burgundy, was sued by John Pyper, a fellow servant who was with Everingham at the siege of Nancy (*Early Chan. Proc.* 60/167). So that probably the next generation fell with Charles the Bold in 1477.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 269.

⁶ Tighe and Davis, *Annals of Windsor*, 400.

⁷ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 133.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 355.

⁹ To be bur. in St. Baptist's, New Windsor. Bequests to son Edw. and das. Anne and Margery. 10 marks for making a King's highway. Residue to "Sir" George Percy, vicar of St. John's, and Robt. Buckstede of Langley, Bucks., yeoman (P.C.C., 16 Milles).

EWERY (URRY), OLIVER¹ (1415-75); of Oxford, skinner.² M.P. Oxford boro' 1449-50.

Chamberlain of Oxford before 1448; bailiff 1448-9; elector while bailiff, 1449 (1). In 1465 John, abbot of Oseney, put in his place Oliver Urrey in a list of suitors to the Hustings Court.³ He was Mayor's serjt. and as such appeared for absentees at the Hustings. Probably moved to London by 1469.⁴

EWeyN see OWEN.

EYRE, ROBERT, junior (1440-97); of Padley; lawyer. M.P. DERBY-SHIRE 1459.

Yr. s. of Robert Eyre by Jane da. and h. of Henry Padley of Padley, and heir to his bro. Robert Eyre, senior; m. Elizabeth da. of Thomas Fitzwilliam, of Mablethorpe, Lincs., M.P.⁵

He may have been under age when elected in 1459, as were so many returned to that Parliament. J.P. Derbys., and of the quorum, 24 Feb. 1472 to 10 Nov. 1475, 11 Feb. 1481 till death; pardoned, 7 Feb. 1474;⁶ granted a 100s. pension during minority of George, s. and h. of John Talbot, late Earl of Shrewsbury, 12 Feb. 1474; sheriff, Notts. and Derbys., 1480-1; on Derbys. comms. 1472 to 1496, including all those of 1483-4 save the subsidy of Apr. 1483; sued for detention of deeds in 1482, as of Padley Hall.⁷ The Plumpton correspondence includes a letter from Eyre to Plumpton (Eyre's da. Margaret had m. Plumpton's son) asking whether the assizes are to be at Derby or Nottingham.⁸

D. shortly before 6 Nov. 1497 when his writ of *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Derbyshire.⁹

EYTON, NICHOLAS (1400-64/6); of Eyton-on-the-Weald Moors, esq. M.P. SALOP 1449 (1).

Bro. of Fulk Eyton of Shrawardine, Salop (d. 1454), and therefore s. of Thomas Eyton of Eyton, by Catherine his wife.¹⁰

Sheriff, Salop, 1439-40, 1444-5, 1454-5; J.P. Salop, 4 July 1449 till death; pardoned 7 July 1452, 1456 and 1458 as "of Eyton in Wyldmore." Elector, Salop, 1459; and on a few Shropshire comms. including the Yorkist array, 12 Aug. 1461 and an apportioner of the subsidy in Salop in 1463.¹¹ Pardoned as an ex-official (and Lancastrian) 20 Jan. 1462. Dead by 7 May 1466. He was succeeded by his son Lewis Eyton.¹²

¹ See John of Urrey, M.P. Arundel 1447.

² Indeed often called Oliver Skinner—*ex inf.* Dr. Salter.

³ *Munimenta Civ. Oxon.* 211.

⁴ *Ex inf.* Dr. Salter, quoting *Regr. Canc. Oxon.*

⁵ *Geneal. N.S.* vii. 129.

⁶ "Late of Ketlesdon, Derbys., gent., *alias* late of Padley, yeoman, *alias* late of Northleys, Derbys." (m.6).

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 62/376.

⁸ *Plumpton Correspondence*, 160-2.

⁹ Fine Roll, 13 Hen. VII (m.1); but see also *ibid.* 19 Hen. VII (m.3).

¹⁰ Griffith, *History of Tong*, 216.

¹¹ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV (m.19).

¹² H. T. Weyman, quoting *Salop Arch. Trans.* vi. 321, and *Salop Shreds and Patches*, i. 137.

EYTON (ETON), ROGER (1420-66/70); of Shrewsbury, esq. M.P. Shrewsbury 1455-6. Yorkist.

Yr. s. of Fulk Eyton of Shrawardine (*d.* 1454).¹

Roger Eyton heads the list of the first aldermen of Shrewsbury when the town petition was sent to Parliament in 1445.² Bailiff of Shrewsbury 1445, 1449, 1455; on a Salop comn. in 1448 (called Yeton); sheriff, Salop, 1449-50. In 1450 he was presented as a "common extortioner and oppressor"; in 1452 a true bill was found against him that he had broken into the house of John Talbot at Shrewsbury and there taken 200 lbs. of lead of the value of 40s. and other utensils worth £5.³ But he appears on the Pardon Roll, 4 Apr. 1452, "of Shrewsbury, esq., late of Catton next Shrewsbury, gent." (m.16). While on 1 May 1455 he was pardoned outlawry for not appearing to answer such well-known Shropshire M.P.s as Burley and Lacon about a debt of 40 marks. Eyton must have been at Ludford rout with the Yorkist Earls in Oct. 1459, for he was one of the 18 attainted with them by the Coventry Parliament. As his arrest was ordered in June 1460, he probably escaped with the Earls to Calais and returned with them to Northampton in July. The Yorkists made him constable of Shrewsbury castle and gaol, and some wage or pension there must have been, for he was exempted in 1464 from resumption.³ He was sheriff again 1465-6, but a comn. of 1466 is the last heard of him and he probably died before 1470. Arms:—gold, fretty azure.

FABCOT see TITELOT.

FABYAN, STEPHEN (1430-80); ald. of London, draper;⁴ from Coggeshall, Essex.⁵ M.P. London 1469, 1470-1, 1472-5.

Bro. of John and of Robert Fabyan the historian.⁶

He was exor. of the will of John Gerveys senr. of Coggeshall 1457/60.⁷ On 11 July 1463 he was committed to Newgate because he would not come at the summons of the Mayor.⁸ He made submission and was fined,⁹ but the offence was probably connected with his nomination as ald. on 15 July 1463.¹⁰ Elected alderman, 30 July 1468, and refused to take on the burden, being committed to Newgate but released the next day as the Mayor found that he had not sufficient estate to maintain the dignity;¹¹ again elected, 18 July 1469, this time for another ward, again committed and again discharged on the passing of an Ordinance, 29 July 1469, that none should be admtd. alderman whose estate was less than £1,000.¹² Both Stephen and John Fabyan were employed at the Exchequer in July 1468,¹³ and Bowes (*q.v.*), keeper of the Mint, left Stephen a ring of gold in his will, 1479. There may have been friction between the Exchq. and City. Within a month of his discharge from prison he was elected M.P. for the City, 29 Aug. 1469; one of those apptd. by the Common Council, 14 Feb. 1470, to labour to get back money lent to Edward IV;¹⁴ and he audited accounts connected

¹ H. T. Weyman, *Shrewsbury M.P.s*, p. 58.

² *Rot. Parl.* v. 121.

³ *ibid.* v. 548.

⁴ *Letter Bk. L.* 69.

⁵ John Fabyan was of Coggeshall.

⁶ *Geneal Mag.* VII, i. 10, 11; quoting will of John Fabyan, 1477.

⁷ When sued by John Gerveys junr. for seizing goods at Bildestone, Suff. (*Early Chan. Proc.* 26/241).

⁸ *Jor.* 7, fo. 30.

⁹ *ibid.* fo. 35d.

¹⁰ *ibid.* fo. 30d.

¹¹ *Letter Bk. L.* 79.

¹² *ibid.* pp. 85, 86.

¹³ Issue Rolls, 8 Edw. IV, No. 840.

¹⁴ *Jor.* 7, fo. 211.

with the victualling of ships.¹ When Edward fled, Fabyan was one of a group of ald. and commoners apptd. to guard the Tower and its royal inmate Henry VI.²

He was still living when his bro. John died in 1477; when Thomas Bowes died 1479; and probably died himself before 1483.

FAIRFORD (FAYREFORD), ALEXANDER (1420-70); of Southwark, esq. Coroner of the Marshalsea 1450-60. M.P. Southwark 1459.

S. of Robert Fairford, coroner of the Marshalsea, 1422-51 (*d.* 1453). The Marshalsea was in Southwark.

Alexander, s. of Robert, was made coroner of the court of the Marshalsea of the Household, 16 Dec. 1450, and accounts 1450-4,³ at first jointly with his father. Pardoned 24 Jan. 1459;⁴ comsmd. with John Gloucester esq. (*q.v.*) and others, 3 June 1460, for that, owing to the number of prostitutes in Southwark, homicides and improprieties have occurred, and to remove all such prostitutes. Elector, Surrey, 1460; pardoned outlawry for not appearing in a plea of debt, 19 Oct. 1463. With Agnes his wife he paid for a writ in Mdsx., 12 June 1468.⁵

FAIRGO (FAIREGOO). Richard; of Lewes. M.P. Lewes 1459.

In 1453 Ric. Fairegoo, a constable of Lewes, was an elector of the Lewes M.P.s.

FAIRWELL (FAYRWELL), MICHAEL (1420-80); of Wycombe. M.P. Wycombe 1449-50; Bramber 1459.

Michael Fairwell was a Wycombe elector in 1472, when Thomas Fairwell was elected. There was also a John Fairwell, senior, of Eton, Bucks., yeoman, pardoned on the roll, 18 July 1437.

FAIRWELL, THOMAS (1445-85); of Wycombe, gent.; lawyer. M.P. Wycombe 1472-5.

Clerk to Richard Fowler (*q.v.*) and employed at the Exchequer, June 1471;⁶ as "of Wycombe," he mainperned Stephen Glover, 1474;⁷ as "of London" he did the same service by Richard Empson (*q.v.*), approver of the subsidy in N'hants., 1476;⁸ and for Richard Fowler, when Chanc. of the Duchy (*q.v.*), 1477;⁹ as "of Beaconsfield" he was again surety for Richard Empson, 1478;¹⁰ administrator of the goods of John Gardiner of Beaconsfield, 1475/85.¹¹

D. 1 Oct. 1485, when Jane "Fayrewell," aged 8, was his da. and h.; lands—a messuage in Chipping-Wycombe worth 13s. 4*d.* held of the dean and canons of St. George's, Windsor, by fealty and 10s. rent, and six acres in Lowdewater, worth 6s. 8*d.*¹²

¹ Jor. 7, fo. 220.

² *ibid.* fo. 223*d.*

³ *Exchq. Accts.* 259/22-23; *Emr. Accts.* F.29 Hen. VI. A; F.32 Hen. VI. N.

⁴ "Of Southwark, esq., son of Robert Fairford, *alias* coroner of the Marshalsea of the Household" (m.31).

⁵ Fine Roll, 8 Edw. IV (m.26).

⁶ Issue Roll, 11 Edw. IV, No. 844.

⁷ Fine Roll, 14 Edw. IV.

⁸ *ibid.* 16 Edw. IV (m.4).

⁹ *ibid.* 16 Edw. IV (m.2).

¹⁰ *ibid.* 18 Edw. IV (m.13).

¹¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 54/114, 59/265.

¹² *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 107.

FARLEY *alias* MILLE, JOHN (1440-1500); of Gloucester, yeoman or merchant. M.P. Gloucester boro' 1478, (? 1483 Jan.).

John Farley *alias* John Mille of the town of Gloucester, yeoman, was pardoned 1 June 1470,¹ and again as John Farley of Gloucester, merchant *alias* gent. 16 Mar. 1483.² On 12 July 1471 he was apptd. appraiser of the subsidy on wool in Glos., Hants, Cornwall, Devon and Heref.³ He was not John Farley of Stockton, Wilts., gent. (*fl.* 1442-71), though he may be his son. He was woodward of Buckholt and held Barnwood, Glos., *c.* 1500—being brother or nephew of William Farley, abbot of Pricknash (1472-99). The reversion of the office and manor were granted in 1501 to Dame Margaret Bridges; and both were granted in 1517 to Humphrey Parker.⁴

FARNFOLD, RICHARD (1440-1509); of Steyning, esq. M.P. Shoreham 1472-5; Steyning 1478; Bramber 1491-2.

Descended from John Farnfold, M.P. Steyning and Bramber 1399;⁵ and gt.g.father of Sir Thomas Farnfold, M.P. Steyning, 1624-9.

Elector, Sussex, 1467, 1472; wool comnr., Sussex, 1480; and array, 1 May 1484, 1490. *D.* 1509; will of Richard Farnfold the elder, dat. 22 Apr. 1509, pr. 5 Feb. 1510.⁶

FASENHAM, *alias* FASHNAM, ROGER (1415-65/70); of Windsor. M.P. Windsor 1447.

In 1456/60 Roger Fassenham and Christine, his wife, da. of Richard Smyth, sued John Brown, a feoffee of Richard Smyth, for lands in Windsor.⁷ In 1459 Roger "Faggenham" was one of the two bailiffs of Windsor.⁸ This must be Fassenham, for the election return in 1460 is made by Roger Fassenham, bailiff.

He was dead by 1470, for in 1465/70 Christine, relict of Roger Fassenham, sued John Jourdelay, John Gough, Richard Greenway, and John Wyght, feoffees for uses, for lands in Windsor and Clewer, sold by Christine to John Cony.⁹

FASTOLF, JOHN (1460-1507/8); of Nacton and Pondes, Suffolk.¹⁰ M.P. Ipswich 1495.

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1470), 211.

² Pardon Roll, 1483 (m.1).

³ Fine Roll, 11 Edw. IV (m.12).

⁴ *Bris. & Glos. Arch. Soc.* vii. 272.

⁵ *Sussex Arch. Colls.* lix. 84.

⁶ To be bur. in ch. of Steyning in the new tomb lately built by him on north side of the Lady chapel. Bequests to Magdalene Coll., Oxford. Masses for souls of Agnes, Alienore, and Jane his wives. Anthony his s. to have a feather bed; bequests to s. Peter; to Peter's children, Richard, William, Sibill and Jane; to Jane his da., a nun at Eastbourne. A black gown to each of his exors. and to Richard Farnfold of London, and to Jane wife of his s. Anthony. Exors.:—John Shelley and Richard Shelley, gents. Overseer, Richard Brooke (P.C.C., 25 Bennet).

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/332.

⁸ Tighe and Davis, *Annals of Windsor*.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/56.

¹⁰ He is called "of Nacton" (Bacon, *Ipswich*); Davy, *Suffolk Colls.*; Jermyn, *Suff. Colls.*, Add. MSS. 8208, Brit. Mus.

S. and h. of Thomas Fastolf of Ipswich, M.P. (1430-95) by Anne (Rous); *m.* Agnes da. and h. of Richard Fellowes¹ (*q.v.*). Eschr., Norf. and Suff., 1489-90; comnr., Suff., 1503; *d.* 1507/8, succeeded by his son George.¹

FASTOLF, THOMAS (1430-95); of Ipswich, mercht., and of Cowhawe, Suff. M.P. Ipswich 1487.

S. and h. of John Fastolf of Nacton, gent.² (s. and h. of Hugh)³ by his wife Agnes;⁴ *m.* Anne da. of Reynold Rous of Denington M.P. (*d.* 1464) and had John Fastolf M.P.

Elector, Ipswich and Suffolk, 1449 (2), Ipswich 1450, Suffolk 1467. Pardoned with other ex-Lancastrian officials, 4 Feb. 1462.² and on 11 Dec. and 20 Dec. 1471.⁴ Thomas Fastolf esq. was still living Oct. 1494, but died soon after.

FAUNT, NICHOLAS LE (1420-1471); ald. of Canterbury, grocer. M.P. Canterbury 1460-1, 1469, 1470-1.

Made a freeman of Canterbury 1438; a Kent elector when elected for Canterbury, 1460. Sir John Scott (*q.v.*) paid him £20 in 1463 or 1466;⁵ and he had sold a ship to the King for £170 in 1467.⁶ Pardoned, 5 Mar. 1470, "of Canterbury, grocer, *alias* merchant" (m.8); mayor of Canterbury 1470-1.⁷ The Canterbury cofferers accounts include payment to Faunt for being at London *in quodam consilio Henrici* formerly King of England,⁸ and *Arch. Cant.* calls him Alderman when sent to congratulate Henry VI.⁹ This must have been when he was elected to the Readeption Parliament, Nov. 1470. After Barnet the bastard Fauconberg found in him an ally who had enjoyed Warwick's special confidence and thus raised the men of Kent, 8 May 1471.¹⁰ They attacked London, and then tried to cross at Kingston. Faunt persuaded the bastard to retire, 18 May,¹¹ but was himself captured on Blackheath. When searched by the orders of Sir George Browne (*q.v.*) there was found in his pocket a list of the names of the Lancastrian citizens of Canterbury which Sir George suppressed and sent to Canterbury.¹² Faunt was sent first to the Tower. On 29 May 1471 John Belle was paid for a horse saddle and bridle bought to conduct Nicholas Faunt, late mayor of Canterbury, from the Tower to the King in Kent.¹³ Edward had him hanged, drawn and quartered at Canterbury in Oct. 1471.¹⁴ It will be noticed that he was returned to Parliament while Mayor. His son William died 1485 when his will was proved.

¹ Pardon Roll, 1509—George Fastolf of London esq., s. and h. of John Fastolf, late of Pondes, Suff., esq., and kinsman (g.s.) and h. of Thomas Fastolf late of Ipswich, mercht., and of Richard Felaw late of Ipswich, mercht., and of Agnes Tymperley wife of said Richard Felaw, *alias* George Fastolf s. and h. of John Fastolf's wife, da. and h. of said Richard Felaw (3 m.10).

² Pardon Roll, 4 Feb. 1462—s. and h. of John Fastolf esq. decd., *alias* of Cowhawe, Suff., esq. (m.33). Also see *Early Chan. Proc.* 15/159.

³ *ibid.* 1 Feb. 1446—John Fastolf s. and h. of Hugh Fastolf, *alias* of Nacton esq., *alias* of Tunstall, Norf., *alias* of Cowhawe (m.12).

⁴ *ibid.* 20 Dec. 1471—Thomas Fastolf of Nacton, Suff., esq., *alias* gent., s. and h. of Agnes wife of John Fastolf esq.

⁵ *Arch. Cant.* x. 254. ⁶ Issue Rolls, Mich. 7 Ed. IV. ⁷ Hasted, *Kent*, xi. 129; xii. 605.

⁸ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* IX. i. 142. *Cant. MSS.*

⁹ *Arch. Cant.* xii. 32.

¹⁰ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 590.

¹¹ *ibid.* ii. 1.

¹² *Hist. MSS. Comm.* IX. i. 142.

¹³ F. Devon, *Issues*, 495.

¹⁴ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 21.

FAYREFORD see FAIRFORD.

FEILDING (FELDYNG), GEOFFREY (1400-65); ald. of London, mercer. M.P. London 1439-40, 1455-6.

He was in trouble for selling wool to aliens contrary to the statute in 1424;¹ London elector 1442, 1447, 1449 (2); auditor 1439-43, 1445-6, 1448-50; sheriff 1445-6; alderman 26 Apr. 1446 till Dec. 1460 when allowed to give up for ill health;² Mayor of London 1452-3; master of the Mercers company 1448 and 1453; exempted for life from all offices, including M.P., Oct. 1444;³ on comns., dealing largely with foreign merchants, from 1450-5, and there are continual references to money owed to him in London, for which he is suing. He gave a £20 bond for the King's debt to the city, 1442;⁴ enquired into the city prisons, 1448;⁵ was one of those apptd. by the Common Council to receive and expend moneys for defence of Calais, 1451;⁶ mayor of the staple of Westminster 1457; pardoned 10 Jan. 1459.⁷ Still mayor of the staple in 1463;⁸ entered into a bond concerning an arbitration case, Dec. 1464.⁹

D. c. 1465, leaving Thomas his s. and h.¹⁰

FEILDING (FELDYNGE), WILLIAM (1415-71); of Lutterworth, esq.; lawyer. M.P. LEICESTERSHIRE 1449-50, 1459, (? 1470-1). Lancastrian.

S. of John Feilding by Margaret da. of William Purefoy of Drayton, Leics.; m. Agnes da. and h. of John Seyton of Martinsthorpe. Surv. s. and h. Sir Everard *a quo* Earls of Denbigh.¹¹

J.P. Leics., and of the quorum, 23 June 1448 to 26 Oct. 1460; on Leics. comns. 1448 to Mar. 1460, including the array in Dec. 1459; pardoned, 25 Oct. 1452, as of Lutterworth, Leics., esq., and again, 26 Nov. 1455, as of Lutterworth, gent., *alias* mercht.; one of those specially excepted from pardon in Edward's proclamation of 4 Mar. 1461,¹² therefore he had probably been at Wakefield. But with the other ex-officials he was pardoned, 16 Feb. 1462;¹³ and in 1463 an apportioner of the subsidy in Leics.¹⁴ When Edward fled and the Readeption govt. seized power and called their Parlt., Feilding became their coms. in Leics., was made J.P. for the county, 13 Dec. 1470, and sheriff of Cambs. and Hunts., 7 Nov. 1470. He fell fighting at Tewkesbury, 4 May 1471.¹⁵

He was not made sheriff of his own county in 1470, but for Cambs. and Hunts. instead, which appt. would not debar him from being elected for co. Leics. It is therefore very probable that he wished or was wished to represent Leics. in 1470-1.

FELAWÉ see FELLOWES.

¹ Power and Postan, *Eng. Trade in 15th Cent.*, pp. 55, 368.

² Jor. 6, fo. 279d.

³ "Exemption for life of Geoffrey Feldyng . . . from being elected knight of the shire or citizen for any city to come to Parliament" (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1444), 331).

⁴ Jor. 3, fo. 137.

⁵ *ibid.* fo. 3.

⁶ *ibid.* fo. 58d.

⁷ Pardon Roll, 1459 (m.40).

⁸ Jor. 7, fos. 41d, 42.

⁹ *ibid.* fo. 86d.

¹⁰ The Pardon Roll 18 June 1472 includes Thomas Feilding, s. and h. of Geoffrey Feilding, late citizen and alderman of London (m.28).

¹¹ Nichol, *Leicestershire*, 294*. But neither he nor his father were knighted as there shown.

¹² Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 156.

¹³ As "late of Lutterworth, gent., *alias* esq." (m.38).

¹⁴ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

¹⁵ Warkworth, *Chronicle*, p. 18.

FELLOWES (FELawe), RICHARD (1420-84); of Ipswich, mercht.; customer 1458-70; bailiff of Harwich. M.P. Ipswich 1449 (1), 1460-1, 1461-2.

Nicholas Peyton of Harwich sued Richard Felawe of Ipswich for the purchase of Crewches Place in Harwich, 1446.¹ Bailiff of Ipswich 1448-9 (returning himself to Parlt.), 1452-3, 1455-6, 1458-9, 1461-2, 1465, 1469-70, 1474-5; justice of Ipswich regularly till 1482/3; an elector of Ipswich 1449 (2), 1450, 1453 when bailiff, 1459, and 1467; on Suff. comns. 1450, 1461, 1464. Felowe had licence to ship wool from Ipswich uncustomed, Mar. 1452; was pardoned, as mercht. of Ipswich, 1459; collr. of customs and subsidy at Ipswich by June 1458,² which office was renewed to him in 1469; apptd. one of those to victual the Fleet, May 1461. In Sept. 1461 he took a lease of the new mill at Ipswich, and in 1463 the town granted him a parcel of the common land.³ Pardoned 1468, and after the Readeption in Dec. 1471 and Dec. 1472.⁴ Money was owing to him as a mercht. in Suff. down to Oct. 1484; and in 1475/84 Felawe, as bailiff of Harwich, was sued for releasing the *Mary Drake* of Camfer, the *Copyn Horn* of Middelburg, and the *John Poll*, which had been seized in pursuance of a letter of reprisal.

He probably *d.* in 1484, and *m.* first or last, Agnes, who afterwards *rem.* William Timperley, both living in 1501. His da. and h., Agnes, *m.* John Fastolf (*q.v.*).

FENKYLL, (Sir) JOHN (1445-99); ald. of London, draper and shipowner. M.P. London 1483 (Jan.), 1484.

This draper of London sued (1475/85) for recovery of "a cofyn fillid with fartes of Portyngale" and a barrel of marmalade, seized on Tower wharf as uncustomed.⁵ With Jane, widow of John Mote, both being executors of John Mote, he appealed in 1478 against a decision of the Court of Admiralty. His ship, the *Peter* of London, was arrested by William Folkes in 1480/3.⁶ He was pardoned in 1484 as "merchant of London"; auditor of London, 4 Sept. 1485 and 1494-6;⁷ rode to meet Henry VII after Bosworth,⁸ and elected alderman, 14 Oct. 1485; was granted the keeping of Newbiggin, Nhd., 25 Nov. 1485;⁹ master of the Drapers company, 1486-7, 1490-1, 1494-5; kntd. 6 Jan. 1487; sheriff 1487-8; it was discovered that the two sheriffs took money from those they had apptd. keepers of Ludgate and Newgate.¹⁰ With other feoffees he was seised of Latchingdon and Lalling, Essex, in 1490.¹¹ At court at York's creation, 1494. At the time of the Cornish rising 1497, he was one of those in charge of the London ordnance.¹²

D. 27/31 May 1499.¹³ Will, dat. 27 May, pr. 2 July 1499.¹⁴

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/377.

² Issue Rolls.

³ Bacon, *Ipswich*, pp. 119, 120, 122.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1471/2, as "merchant, late collector of customs and late bailiff."

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 66/290.

⁶ *ibid.* 61/576.

⁷ *Letter Book L.* 225; Beaven, *Ald. of London*, ii. 17.

⁸ *Jor.* 9, fo. 84.

⁹ Palmer's Index to the Fine Rolls.

¹⁰ *Jor.* 9, fos. 164d, 168, *per* Miss Jay.

¹¹ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiii. 149.

¹² *Rep.* 1, 19d, *per* Miss Jay.

¹³ *Geneal. N.S.* ii. 229.

¹⁴ Knt. and Ald. of London. To be bur. at St. Michael's, Crooked Lane, beside Kateryne his wife. 20 marks to Robert Spencer "my child"; gifts to children of his cousin John Fenkyll of Herts.; remainder to children of his bro. Edward, after the death of Kateryne now his w. She residuary legatee, and executrix with Thomas Cremer (*q.v.*), draper, and Thomas Spence, stock fishmonger (P.C.C., 36 Horne).

FENN (FEN), HUGH (1420-76); of Haringby and Sculton, Norfolk; lawyer; auditor of the Exchq. 1452-76; Under-Treasurer of England 1463-7. M.P. Yarmouth 1450-1.

S. of Thomas Fen, bailiff of Yarmouth in 1440 and 1457.

As early as 1444 money was issued out of the Exchequer by the hands of Hugh Fen; he was sent by the Treasurer to the Leicester Parlt., May 1450;¹ pardoned 15 Nov. 1452, as "Hugh Fen, senior, clerk of the Exchequer" (m.4); and 6 Jan. 1458 as "senior, auditor of the Exchequer, late escheator" (m.17). He was an auditor by Feb. 1455;² eschr., Norf. and Suff., 1456-7. In July 1455 payment was made to William Welden and Fen, for themselves and their clerks, for compiling a state of the office of the Treasurer of England, "pronounced" in the present Parlt.³—a clear forerunner of the Budget statement; Fen evidently was permanent Secretary to the Treasury. He was lawyer also. For "John Bokying got his attachments granted in open court with the help of Littleton and Hewe at Fen," 7 June 1456.⁴ His pay as auditor was £10 a year.

J.P. Norf., and of the quorum, 22 Aug. 1457 to 16 Mar. 1460; J.P. Yarmouth, 14 June 1459; on Norf. comms. 1452-9. In Mar. 1460 he was made receiver of the forfeited estates of the Yorkists, so that he required a pardon with the other Lancastrians, 20 Feb. 1462—"Hugh atte Fen of Haringby, Norf., gent., *alias* late eschr., *alias* late receiver of goods and debts of Richard Gegh, late of Soham-Tony, Norf., esq., defunct, *alias* exor. of Stephen French esq. defunct, *alias* one of the auditors of the accounts of our Exchequer" (m.38). He was also supervisor of Sir John Fastolf's will, exor. of Geoffrey Boleyn (*q.v.*), exor. of Sir John Clay (*q.v.*), feoffee for William Isley (*q.v.*) and for Lord Mountjoy (*q.v.*).

At a dinner in Oct. 1463 the mayor of London was not given proper precedence and walked out insulted. Mr. Speaker and Hugh Fenn "Under-Treasurer of England" visited the mayor to apologise.⁵ And the Council meeting at Stamford, 7-11 Aug. 1464, was attended by Hugh Fenne, "under-treasurer of England";⁶ his *alias* was clerk to the Treasurer and pay 8*d.* a day.⁷ He probably remained Under Treasurer till succeeded by John Rogger (*q.v.*) in July 1467—under Kent and under Mountjoy; and then and after he was called "auditor of the Exchequer," and so appears in his pardon of 12 Feb. 1472. In 1466 he was supervising the repairs at the port of Yarmouth. Grants, next-presentations, and licences came his way. In 1474 William Paston deposited with him 500 marks worth of plate.

D. shortly before 28 June 1476;⁸ will, dat. 24 Feb. 1476, pr. 1477.⁹ According to the *Complete Peerage* (i. p. 31) George Neville, lord Abergavenny *m.* Margaret da. and h. of Sir Hugh Fenne of Sculton-Burdeleys, Norf., and of Braintree, Essex, Treasurer of the Household to Henry VI, who *d.* 1476—but *knt.* or Treasurer of the Household he never was.

¹ Issue Roll, Easter 28 Hen. VI, No. 779.

² *ibid.* Mich. 33 Hen. VI, No. 800.

³ F. Devon., *Issues*, 479.

⁴ *Paston Letters*, i. 392.

⁵ *Letter Book L.* p. 7.

⁶ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 354.

⁷ Issue Roll, Easter 4 Edw. IV.

⁸ *Writ diem clausit extremum* (Fine Roll. 16 Edw. IV, m.18).

⁹ To be bur. at Haringby, Norf., "next my mother." Bequests to the Friars of Yarmouth and Southdown. 200 marks to my wife. Bequests to his "brother" Edmund Wydeville (*q.v.*), to da. Margaret, who is to marry "my master" Sir George Neville (P.C.C., 32 Wattys).

FENN, JOHN OF THE (1400-60); of Wilton.
1455-56.

M.P. Wilton 1426, 1442,

Elector, Wilts., 1432, 1437, 1447, and manucaptor for the Wilton Burgesses in 1449 (1); in 1449 he was a collector of the 10th and 15th granted by the first Parlt. of that year and is described as of Wilton.¹ As John atte Fenne of Wilton he was owed 40s. in 1452; and a John atte Fenne was on a Wilts. comm. as late as Aug. 1473. This, however, may be a s. of the same name. It is very probable that another s., Robert, was the Member for Wilton from 1450 to 1491.

FENN, ROBERT (1415-80); of Exton, Rutland, and of Barton Seagrave, N'hants. Of the Chancery 1446-60; Ranger of Salcey 1446-79; lawyer.
M.P. RUTLAND 1449-50.

He *m. c.* 1445, Juliana (? Cromwell) widow of Sir John Colepeper, justice, and of John Braunspath (*q.v.*) (*d.* 1442/3). In 1448 Fenn and Juliana his wife had a release from Nicholas Boxtede of Woodcroft, N'hants. In 1456 Robert Brudenell and John Boxtede brought actions against them for recovery of this manor. Probably Fenn lived at Exton which he held in right of his wife.²

In 1446 the King's servant Robert Fenn was made ranger of Salcey Forest, N'hants. This grant was renewed in 1463 and he held it for life. Commr. in Rutland from 1449 to the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459; J.P. Rutland, and of the quorum, 20 Nov. 1448 to 30 Nov. 1470; sheriff, Rutland, 1449-50 (apptd. while M.P.), 1453-4, 1458-9; pardoned by the Yorkists, 16 Oct. 1455, "late of the King's Chancery"; again with other ex-officials, 6 Feb. 1462;³ again 11 Aug. 1468, together with "Eleanor" his wife.⁴ He cannot have been strongly anti-Yorkist for he was retained on the bench by them, and then removed by the Readeption govt. Eschr. of N'hants. and Rutland, 1474-5. The last heard of him is another pardon, 13 May 1479, where he is called "late eschr."

FENN, ROBERT à (1425-95); of Wilton; lawyer.
1460-1, 1461-2, 1463-5, 1472-5, 1485-6, 1491-2.

M.P. Wilton 1450-1,

Perhaps s. of John Fenn, M.P. Wilton (1400-60).

Robert à Fenne of Wilton and Salisbury was coroner for Wilts. in 1462, 1465, 1475 and 1486;⁵ attorney for the abbess of Wilton, 1470; still an attorney in Wiltshire suits before the K.B., 1480, 1490.⁶

FENNELL, WILLIAM (1410-73); of Sandwich.
1449-50.

M.P. Sandwich

Mayor of Sandwich, Dec. 1450 to Dec. 1451. *D.* 1473. Will, dat. 30 June, pr. 27 July 1473. To be bur. in St. Peters, Sandwich. Masses for soul and souls of Stephen and Alice, my parents, Emme and Jane my wives. A silver gilt maser

¹ Fine Roll, 27 Hen. VI (m.7).

² *Rutland Magazine*, p. 132; Jan. 1908.

³ As "late of Northampton, *alias* of Exton esq., late sheriff, late ranger of Salcey Forest" (Pardon Roll, 1462, m.46).

⁴ "Ranger of Forests in N'hants., tenant of lands late of John Colepeper, knt., and lands late of John Umfray, *alias* Robert Fenne of Barton Seagreave, N'hants." (Pardon Roll, 1468, m.16).

⁵ Anc. Indicts. of K.B.

⁶ Plea Rolls.

to da. Christine. 40s. to repair the Sandwich—Eastry road. Residue to Exors., wife Elizabeth and John Iden. Lands, after death of wife Eliz., to John “son of John Fenell my son” and heirs male, remainder to da. Christine and heirs, remainder for soul.¹

FENYS (FENNYS) see FIENNES.

FERRERS, Sir HENRY (1440–1500); of Peckham;² King’s servant. M.P. KENT 1472–5.

Second s. of Sir Thomas Ferrers of Tamworth (1415–98) by Anne sis. of William, lord Hastings, and yr. bro. of Sir John Ferrers M.P. (1438–84). *M.* (2) Margaret, widow of William Whetenhall (*d.* 1468) and da. and coh. of William Hextall of Peckham (*q.v.*).

King’s servant from Apr. 1461; steward of Cheylesmore, Warw., 1461; exempted as “our welbeloved sqier” 1464;³ granted Hameldon, Rutd., 1467; in which grant he was joined by his wife Margaret, 14 Nov. 1468; sheriff, Kent, 1468–9, and pardoned arrears; kntd. at Tewkesbury with his bro. John, 4 May 1471; J.P. Kent, 27 June 1471 to 5 Dec. 1483, and on Kent comns., including the subsidy of 18 Feb. 1484. He carried the banner of the Trinity at the funeral of Edward IV;⁴ sheriff, Kent, 13 May–6 Nov. 1483; pardoned 27 Feb. 1484.² Under Henry VII he was again sheriff, 1487–8, with a £100 “reward”; J.P. Kent, 4 Dec. 1490 to 10 Sept. 1498; a comnr. 1488–96; but he had ceased to hold the stewardship of Cheylesmore.

D. 28 Dec. 1499, when Edward, aged 36, was his s. and h.; lands—Hameldon, Rutland, held jointly with his wife Margaret. Will of Sir Henry Ferrers, knt., dat. 22 Dec. 1499, pr. 20 Aug. 1500.⁵ He is ancestor of Mr. Ferrers of Baddesley-Clinton, the commoner who to-day represents in the male line the Domesday commissioner, Henry de Ferrers.

FERRERS, Sir⁶ JOHN (1438–84/5); of Tamworth. ? Knt. of Body 1484. M.P. STAFFORDSHIRE 1478.

Eld. s. and h. appt. of Sir Thomas Ferrers of Tamworth castle⁷ (1415–98) by Anne sister of William, lord Hastings—nephew therefore of the murdered Lord Chamberlain. *M.* Maud da. of Sir John Stanley of Elford M.P. (1423–76), and had John Ferrers M.P. (1463–1513) and their descendants represented Tamworth continually until the 19th century.

He is probably the John Ferrers employed as an attorney by Sir Richard Cook, Just., in 1470;⁸ kntd., with his yr. bro. Henry (*q.v.*), at Tewkesbury, 4 May

¹ Cant. Prob. Reg. A. ii. ff. 171v., 172.

² Pardon Roll, 27 Feb. 1484—of East Peckham, *alias* late sheriff of Kent, *alias* Ferys.

³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 534. ⁴ Gairdner, *L. and P.*, 5.

⁵ To be bur. beside his wife at Peckham. All his ungilt silver to his da. Elizabeth, but to remain in hands of son Edward till her marriage. Exor. :—his son Edward (P.C.C., 4 Moone).

⁶ He is certainly called “esq.” on the Return, but there is ample evidence that he was knt. before 1478.

⁷ Sir Thomas was yr. son of Sir Wm. Ferrers, Lord F. of Groby, and is the link which unites in the male line the Domesday baron with the present squire of Baddesley-Clinton.

⁸ Plea Rolls.

1471; elector Herts., 1472; sailed with the King's expedition to France, in command of 20 men-at-arms and 120 archers, 1475;¹ on comns. in Staffs. from 1477, including the subsidy comns. of 27 Apr. and 1 Aug. 1483; J.P. Staffs., 11 Nov. 1480 to 5 Dec. 1483; acquired the custody of the lands and heir of Sir Walter Griffith of Wichnor, Staffs., Oct. 1481.

Richard III removed him from the bench Dec. 1483, but gave him a 40 marks pension for life, 3 Mar. 1484;² probably dead before the end of the year, since his name is absent from the obvious comns.; certainly dead before the end of Bosworth Field. There is an ingenious theory that when Henry Tudor "lost" his way on Whittington Heath the night before Bosworth, he found his way unbeknown to Tamworth castle, and exercised polite show of force to remove thence the cannon which he employed next day—old Sir Thomas and his lady being anxious yet afraid to help.³ Both Stanleys and Ferrers had feet in each camp, and straddled successfully.

FERRERS, Sir JOHN (1463-1513); of Tamworth. M.P. Stafford boro' 1495.

S. of Sir John Ferrers M.P. (1438-84) by Maud (Stanley); *m.* (1) by 1488 Maud, and (2) Dorothy da. of William Harpur of Rushall, Staffs.⁴

He warranted a conveyance of land in Heref., 1495;⁵ kntd. at Blackheath, 17 June 1497; sheriff, Staffs., 1499-1500; J.P. Staffs. and Warw. 1508 till death; subsidy comn. 1504;⁶ at the funeral of Henry VII; pardoned 1509.⁷ *D.* 1512. Will, dat. 6 Oct. 1508, pr. 13 May 1513.⁸

FERREY, THOMAS. M.P. Midhurst 1491-2.

He was dead in 1523, when William Fery and the widow of Thomas Fery paid 6*d.* towards the wages of the burgesses sent to that Parlt. for lands in Westham, Sussex.⁹ But such a man was pardoned and styled husbandman of Southampton in 1502.

FERRIBY *alias* AGAS, JOHN (1425-70); of Thorne by Haytfield, Yorks. Coroner of the Marshalsea; yeoman of the Crown 1457-70. M.P. Grimsby and Melcombe 1467-8.

Perhaps s. of John Ferriby, controller of the Household who was dead by 1443; perhaps bro. of John Ferriby (1435-91) M.P. and Mayor of York (*cf.* also Richard Ferriby M.P. Grimsby 1432). *M.* 1463, possibly as second wife, Margaret widow of Thomas Roos.¹⁰

Pardoned, 22 May 1452 as of Haytfield, yeoman, *alias* John Agas late of Ferriby, yeoman;¹¹ apptd. customer of Hull, Feb. 1454; renewed Nov. 1469; pardoned by the Yorkist govt., 6 Oct. 1455, and, 3 Apr. 1460, by Lancastrians.¹²

¹ *Foedera*, V. iii. 56.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 390.

³ Geo. Grazebrook, *Henry, Earl of Richmond*.

⁴ *Staffs. Colls.* 1917, pp. 282-3.

⁵ Shrewsbury (Talbot) Colln. (7. 8).

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 540.

⁷ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 438. (2 m.4).—"of Tamworth and of London".

⁸ Exors. :—his wife and Sir Walter Griffith of Wichnor (P.C.C.).

⁹ *Sussex Arch. Soc.* xliv. ¹⁰ York Wills, "Boothe," 220a. ¹¹ Pardon Roll, 1452 (m.30).

¹² As "John Agas of Fereby, yeoman, *alias* John Fereby late of Haytfield, *alias* late of Thurne next Haytfield" 1458 (m.22), 1460 (m.3).

He and William Pound of the Exchq. were sued in 1455/7 for taking forage for their own use by a forged comn. to supply the King in Scotland¹—probably already a yeoman of the Crown. He was granted the yeomen's usual 6*d.* a day out of the fee farm of Nottingham, 11 Aug. 1460—renewed by 23 July 1461. In Nov. 1461 he surrendered the office of coroner of the marshalsea of the Household. Livery of clothes was issued to him;² and Parlt. exempted his pension from resumption, 1461.³ He shared with Avery Cornburgh (*q.v.*) the custody of the Water of Fosse by York, 1 Feb. 1462; was granted a house in Hull, and still described as yeoman of the Crown, 10 May 1462; two days later he had granted to him the lands in Grimsby forfeited by William Grimsby (*q.v.*). Eschr. Yorks., 1463-4; pardoned, 15 Oct. 1468, when styled yeoman of the Crown, collr. of customs at Hull, late eschr. of Yorks., and of Thorne, Yorks., esq.⁴

He was dead by 1480/3 when feoffees to uses were sued for a messuage in St. Mary Cray, late of John Fereby.⁵ Probably he was dead by 1470 since he occurs in none of the pardons of 1471. The otherwise undiscovered Melcombe Regis M.P. might well be the yeoman of the Crown; and as the yeoman of the Crown was granted a house in Grimsby, what more likely than that he should be returned for Grimsby also.

FERRIBY, JOHN (1426-91); ald. of York. M.P. York city 1485-6.

Younger brother of John Ferriby of Beverley, yeoman of the Crown, M.P. (1425-70), perhaps sons of John Ferriby, controller of the Household, 1430;⁶ *m.* Millicent.⁷

Made free of York city, 1447;⁷ chamberlain, 1462;⁷ master of the Merchants' Guild, 1465-7 and 1474;⁷ admtd. to *Corpus Christi* Guild, 1469.⁷ A beneficiary under his brother's will, 1470; Sheriff of York city, 1472-3; mayor 1478 and 1491;⁷ elector, 1478; comnr. of *oyer* 1487. Knowing of the danger done to the city wall by a riotous mob in 1489, the King wrote to Ferriby in 1491, charging him to repair the same.⁷

D. in office, 25 Mar. 1491,⁷ ald. William White (*q.v.*) being elected mayor in his place, 28 Mar. 1491. Will, as mayor of York, dat. 21 Mar., pr. 6 June 1491.⁸ Buried in All Saints. His wife Millicent was buried beside him.⁷

FERRIS (FERYS), JOHN (1430-95); of Blunsdon, Wilts., esq. M.P. Cricklade 1467-8, 1478.

Between 1454 and 1459 he acquired the manor of Blunsdon.⁹ He accounted for Clarendon, Wilts., in 1459; sheriff, Wilts., 1459-60; pardoned with Lancastrians, 8 Feb. 1462, "John Ferys esq., late sheriff, *alias* of Blountesdon-Andrew, Wilts." (*m.*40); on a Wilts. comn. 1474.

D. May 1495, leaving a son John whose s. and h. George was of Ashton-Keynes, Wilts.¹⁰

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/70.

² *Exchq. Accts.* 361/6.

³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 474.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1468 (*m.*26).

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/380.

⁶ Issue Rolls, 8 Hen. VI.

⁷ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

⁸ Chaplain to pray for souls of self and Melisant late my wife and our children, and for Thomas Beverley, late mayor, and Alice his w. and their children. To my da. Ellen, w. of John Metcalf, a tenement in Barton-on-Humber (*Test. Ebor.* iii. p. 178).

⁹ *Ex. inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

¹⁰ Visitn. Wilts, 1565, in *Geneal. N.S.* xii, 89.

FETHERSTONE, WILLIAM (1435-85); of Sandwich, ship-master. Captain R.N. M.P. Sandwich 1483 (Jan.).

Year after year from 1461 Fetherstone was ordered by Letters Patent to seize mariners and equipment for the King's ships—even to "take" (meaning "appoint") masters, 1467.¹ Each time he himself is described as "master" of a different ship—*Marie de Grace*, *le Spencer*, *le Petyr*, *le Caragon*.² On the *Caragon* he was in command of a complete fleet blockading the Earl of Oxford in St. Michael's Mount, Cornwall, and he spent four months and a great deal of money on the operation, 1473-4. At Easter 1480, as captain of H.M.S.³ *Falcon*, with 140 seamen and 500 soldiers he went over to Flanders to bring home Margaret of Burgundy.⁴ Elected to Parliament for Sandwich 18 Dec. 1482.

Dead, without issue, before 1505.⁵

FETIPLACE, THOMAS (1395-1442/6); of Bampton, Oxon., and East Shefford, Berks., esq.⁶ M.P. OXFORDSHIRE 1432, 1439-40.

S. and h. of Piers Fetiplace of North Denchworth, Berks., M.P. Oxon. 1421-35; *m.* Beatrix, widow of Gilbert, lord Talbot, and da. of Pinto of Portugal. Beatrix is called also⁷ da. of John, King of Portugal, an idea associated possibly with the selection of her third son, John, who was of the household of Henry VI, to carry the Garter to the King of Portugal in Nov. 1455.⁸

Lord Talbot and "Thomas Fetyplace of Oxfordshire esq." were bound in £100 to John Ferriby, 1433;⁹ J.P. Oxon., "of Bampton," 10 Nov. 1432 to 12 May 1442; elector, 1435; sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 1435-6; on comns. in Oxon. 1431 to 1442; sworn to the peace, as "squire", in Oxon., 1434; pardoned, July 1437, with Beatrix his wife, late wife of Gilbert Talbot, knt., late Lord Talbot (m.16). Since Beatrix "Talbot", late wife of Gilbert Talbot and late wife of Thomas Fetiplace and executrix of the will of Thomas Fetiplace, was pardoned 1 July 1446 (m.40), Fetiplace must have died 1442/6. He was buried at East Shefford Church, and his s. and h. William was 24 when his mother Beatrix died at Christmas 1447.

FETIPLACE, WALTER (1425-85); of Southampton, shipowner and merchant. M.P. Southampton boro' 1472-5.

S. of John Fetiplace of Denchworth, Berks.,¹⁰ and "kinsman"¹¹ to Walter Fetiplace, mayor of Southampton 1444; *m.* Jane da. of Thomas Rous of Stocky-Pelham, Hants, by whom he had a da. Alice. Elector, Southampton, 1455, 1478;

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1467), 29.

² Not all of the Royal Navy were always in legitimate trade—the gear of a pillaged caravel was found in the house of one Fetherstone of Sandwich (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1472, p. 319).

³ These letters are quite anachronistic, but *Falcon* was a king's ship.

⁴ F. Devon, *Issues*, 500.

⁵ John Joseph of Calais had settled land in Deal on his son Robert and heirs, successive remainders to William Fetherstone, to John Joseph of Sandwich, and to William Joseph. In 1505 Robert Joseph and William Fetherstone were both dead without issue, and John Joseph of Sandwich petitioned for seisin (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1505, p. 434).

⁶ Thomas Fetiplace of East Shefford, Berks., was steward of the manor of Bampton, Oxon. (G.E.C., *Comp. Peer.*, *sub* Talbot). ⁷ *Visitn. Berks.* 90.

⁸ *Foedera*, V. ii. 64.

⁹ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1433), 258.

¹⁰ *Dunlop Pedigrees*.

¹¹ Walter Fetiplace, the mayor, dying in 1449, refers to kinsman Walter in his will (*Dunlop Pedigrees*).

sheriff 1456-7; mayor 1462-4;¹ sued by Piers Fetiplace for tenements in Southampton 1465/70;² shipowner and merchant.³

FIENNES (FENYS), Sir JAMES (1395-1450); of Knole, Kent (Lord Saye and Sele, 1447). Squire and Knight of the Body 1438-47; Chamberlain of the Exchequer 1442; Warden of the Cinque Ports 1447-9; Chamberlain of the Household and P.C. 1447-9; Lord Treasurer 1449-50. M.P. KENT 1439-40, 1442, 1445-6, 1447 (till raised to House of Lords, 3 Mar.). Summoned 1449 (1), 1449-50.

Second s. of Sir William Fiennes of Hurstmonceaux (*d.* 1405), by Elizabeth da. and h. of William Battsford of Sussex; and bro. of Sir Roger Fenys M.P. (1384-1450). *M.* (2) Emmeline, d. of one Cromer of Willingdon, Suffolk, by a da. and coh. of one Trillow. She was aged 24 in 1450, and *d.* 5 Jan. 1452.⁴

In France under Henry V, and held the bailivy of Caux, the lordship of Courle-Comte in Caux, and other lands in Normandy, 1418; Governor of Arques in 1419; present at Henry VI's coronation in Paris, 1430. He was back in England by 1433; J.P. Kent, 24 Nov. 1433 till death; on Kent comns.; sheriff of Kent, 1436-7, of Surrey and Sussex, 1438-9; esquire of the body, 13 Oct. 1438 to 1444 and as such was in receipt of £100 a year pension which was continued after his knighting; constable of Rochester, 6 Dec. 1441; a Chamberlain of the Exchequer, 2 July to 24 Nov. 1442; bailiff of the Sussex temporalities of the Archbp. of Canterbury, Apr. 1443; kntd. 15 July/22 Sept. 1444. He had much to do with the setting up of the 1447 Parlt. and the fall of Gloucester. On Gloucester's death he was made one of the administrators of the Duke's goods; he was also made constable of Dover and Warden of the Cinque Ports—to him and to his heirs male—with £200 a year out of the Customs, besides all the perquisites of this office, 24 Feb. 1447. On 3 Mar. 1447, while sitting in the Commons, he was summoned to the Lords by writ as Lord Saye and Sele.⁵ Parliament may have been dissolved that same day, but Patents were often some days late and he probably sat in the Lords in 1447. By June 1447 he was Chamberlain of the Household⁶ and King's Councillor, with a further 100 marks a year; by Aug. he was Constable of the Tower during Exeter's minority (which office he surrendered to Lord Scales, Apr. 1450); Lord Treasurer, 17 Sept. 1449,⁷ when he resigned the Cinque Ports to Buckingham.

¹ He was nominated for mayor in 1460, which led to rioting and his defeat (*Black Bk. of Southampton*, I. xvi. xvii.).

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 32/132.

³ Davies, *Hist. of Southampton*, pp. 164, 173-4, 202, 377.

⁴ G.E.C., *Comp. Peer.*, *sub voce* (where his death is given as 1451).

⁵ If anyone had a right to the title of Lord Saye it might have been his elder brother, Sir Roger Fiennes, or it might have been the other co-heir, John, lord Clinton. So, in Nov. 1448, to make the assumption more reasonable, he obtained from Lord Clinton (who was poor) a grant of all his titular rights in the Saye Barony. If he ever came to an arrangement with his brother, Sir Roger, the details have been lost.

⁶ He accounts as Chamberlain 25-27 Hen. VI.

⁷ Issue Roll, East. 28 Hen. VI, No. 779. In Oct. 1449, he, his lieut. Gervase Clifton (*q.v.*) and Ralph Toke, esq. (*q.v.*) "specially requested" Hythe to elect Robert Berd to Parlt. This was granted under various safeguards on condition that it was not to be considered a precedent; but nevertheless it foreshadows that claim by future Lord Wardens to nominate one burghess in each port as by right, which caused so much strife before its final abolition in 1691.

Lord Saye was regarded as responsible, quite as much as Suffolk himself, for the disasters in France and the surrender of Maine. Parliament and public opinion procured his removal from office in Apr. 1450; and, after Cade's success at Sevenoaks, the King's troops, turning mutinous, demanded his imprisonment—his own greed and the extortion of his son-in-law, William Cromer (*q.v.*), sheriff of Kent, being the grounds for the demand. He was sent to the Tower into the keeping of his successor there, Lord Scales; and, when Cade's men held London, Scales handed Saye over to Cade, who had him beheaded, "half-shriven" at the standard in Cheap, 4 July 1450.

Will dated 12 Apr. 1449. He was succeeded by his s. and h. William, aged 22.¹ Gibbon claimed him as his ancestor, and acclaimed him as a patriot.

FIENNES (FENNYS), Hon. Sir JOHN (1447–1478/83); heir of Hurstmonceaux. M.P. SUSSEX 1467–8, 1478.

Eldest s. and h. appt. of Sir Richard Fiennes, lord Dacre (1425–83) by Jane (1432–86), da. and h. of Sir Thomas Dacre; *m.* Alice (*d.* 1516), da. of Henry, lord FitzHugh.²

Cupbearer to Edward IV, June 1461;³ kntd. and M.P. while under age; on comms. Sussex from 1469 onwards; sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1470–1, during the Readeption; but one of the 10 knights who swore allegiance to Prince of Wales, 1471;⁴ pardoned, 28 Apr. 1478, before his parents' death, as "Lord of Dacre." He died *v.p.* before 26 June 1483, leaving issue Thomas (afterwards summoned as Lord Dacre), custody granted to his grandmother Jane; livery without proof of age, 13 July 1492.

FIENNES (FENYS), (Sir) ROBERT (1425–90); of the Household 1446–50; Squire of the Body 1448–50; King's Knight 1483–5. M.P. HAMPSHIRE 1447.

Yr. s. of Sir Roger Fiennes of Hurstmonceaux M.P. (1384–1450), by Elizabeth (Holland); therefore yr. bro. of Lord Dacre and nephew of Lord Saye and Sele (*q.v.*), who so largely controlled the 1447 Parliament.

He was a "King's Squire" when he came of age, in Mar. 1446; described as "younger son of Sir Roger Fenys", he had a grant of the reversion of the constableness of Porchester on his father's death; called "King's Servant" and "Usher of the Chamber", he was granted a £20 pension out of Southampton in Oct. 1447. Usher of the Chamber too in June 1448, and made a squire of the body. But the collapse of the family influence in 1450 deprived him of this pension, which was resumed. He must have succeeded his father as constable of Porchester, but he had lost that also by 1455. The new Lord Saye helped his cousin's allegiance to the House of York, and in July 1461 John Paston complains that the Countess of Northumberland and Robert Fiennes were occupying the lands of his sister Elizabeth Poynings.⁵

Sheriff of Hants 1448–9, and of Surrey and Sussex 1459–60; pardoned with other Lancastrian ex-officials, as of Wandsworth and Hurstmonceaux, 12 Feb.

¹ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. James Fiennes. The name of William's mother is not known.

² *Comp. Peer.* v. 432a; iv. 9.

³ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 181.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 234.

⁵ *Paston Letters*, ii. 19, 322, 330.

1462;¹ kntd. between this time and Dec. 1468, when Elizabeth Poynyngs was again complaining that Robert Fiennes knt. was looting her property in Kent. The King even wrote to him, laying on him commands not to levy rents and distresses on Elizabeth Poynyngs' lands. J.P. Suffolk, 16 July 1470 to 4 July 1471, and 11 Sept. 1473 to 10 Nov. 1475; on comns. there, more particularly under Richard III. Under Richard III he is styled "King's Knight," and was granted a pension of £40 a year, Apr. 1484. Even under Henry VII he had a grant of the custody of Wrentham, Benacre, and half-a-dozen manors in Sussex. In Jan. 1487 he and his wife, Philippe, were heirs to Thomas and Elizabeth Dacre.

He probably died soon after, but a Sir Robert Fiennes, of Heacham, Norf., d. 1508/9, leaving a widow Eleanor and a da. Elizabeth, which might possibly, though not probably, be the same person.

FIENNES (FENYS), Sir ROGER (1384-1450); of Hurstmonceaux. Constable of Porchester 1421-50; Treasurer of the Household 1439-46. M.P. SUSSEX 1416 (1), 1429-30, 1439-40, 1442, 1445-6.

Baptised 14 Sept. 1384, s. and h. of Sir William Fiennes (d. 16 Jan. 1403),² by Elizabeth, da. and coh. of William Batisford of Sussex and elder bro. of Sir James Fiennes (q.v.) (1395-1450), lord Saye and Sele; m. Elizabeth, sis. of Sir John Holland³ of N'hants., by whom he had Sir Richard Fenys (who was summoned to Parlt. as Lord Dacre) and Sir Robert, M.P. (1425-90).

He fought in France and was retained as a King's knt., with a £40 pension, by 1416; on all the Sussex comns. down to 1449; J.P. Sussex, 8 Apr. 1416 to 11 Mar. 1419, and 20 July 1424 till death; keeper of Porchester 1421.⁴ He was again in France in May 1425 and seems to have been there till 1429 when returned for Sussex. On 15 Nov. 1432 he and Lord Clinton divided the heritage of Elizabeth widow of Sir William Heron and da. of William, lord Saye.⁵ He was sworn to the peace in Sussex May 1434; sheriff, Sussex and Surrey, 1434-5; exempted from all office against his will in Apr. 1438. He was granted Hoo and Preston, Sussex, built Hurstmonceaux, and had licence to crenelate his house there, 5 Feb. 1441. Apptd. Treasurer of the Household and Keeper of the King's Wardrobe, 9 Apr. 1439, which post he held till 12 Nov. 1446, when succeeded by Sir John Stourton (lord Stourton).⁶ J.P. of Cambs., Herts., Kent, and Som., 1442 till death; and of Norfolk, Suffolk and Surrey from 1448 till death. He was at the coronation of Queen Margaret; pardoned 27 Mar. 1448 as "late Treasurer of the Household."

D. 11 Feb./Oct. 1450.⁷ His absence from the Parlt. of 1447 and loss of office coincided with his brother's rise to power and peerage.

¹ As "of Wandsworth, Surrey, esq., *alias* of Hurstmonceaux, *alias* late constable of Porchester, *alias* late sheriff of the three counties, *alias* yr. s. and exor. of Sir Roger Fenys" (m.47).

² M.I. Hurstmonceaux, where the name is spelt "Fienlez."

³ *Sussex Arch. Colls.* iv. 149.

⁴ The reversion of Porchester was granted to his son Robert in 1446.

⁵ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1432), 226.

⁶ Issue Roll, Mich. 25 Hen. VI, No. 765. From 1439 to 1446 he accounts as Keeper of the Household (*Charter Rolls*, vi. 13) (evidently an alternative name to that of Treasurer), and as Keeper of the Wardrobe (*Exchq. Accts.* 409/8).

⁷ Alive 11 Feb. 1450 (Issue Roll, Mich. 28 Hen. VI, No. 777); dead by Oct. (Comns. of the Peace). In 1450 Thomas Ashburnham sued Richard, son of Roger Fenys, knt., late of Hurstmonceaux, who had been Ashburnham's feoffee, for the manor of Ewhurst (*Early Chan. Proc.* 19/280).

FILLONGLEY (FYLUNGLEY), HENRY (1415-71); of Fillongley, Warw., and of Chelsea, Mdsx. Clerk of, and Keeper of the Writs of the Common Bench, 1440-53; Clerk of the Great Wardrobe 1453-9. M.P. Weymouth 1449 (1); WARWICKSHIRE 1453-4. Lancastrian.

Perhaps s. of that Henry Fillongley who was at Agincourt in the retinue of Henry V, and g.s. of Henry Fillongley, M.P. for Warwick boro' 1390. *M. Cicely*, dead by 1459, a niece of Sir John Fastolf. They had no issue, and the heirs of his Leicestershire lands were his sisters, Margaret, mother of Thomas Froxmere (*q.v.*) and Alice, *m.* to Robert Darcy (*q.v.*), and Agnes, *m.* to Fraunceys (mother of Thomas Fraunceys).¹

He was pardoned as "of Chelsea, Mdsx.", 10 May 1437. Jointly with William Cotton he was granted the custody of Leynton priory for ten years, July 1439, and jointly with his brother-in-law, Robert Darcy (*d.* 1449), he was made Keeper of the Writs of the Common Bench, 16 Oct. 1440. Pardoned 1446, 1452,² and with other Lancastrians, Oct. 1455 (m.21). His election for Weymouth in 1449 is explained by the fact that his sister, ultimately one of his coh.s., had *m.* Froxmere. Fillongley was an elector in Dorset in 1453 (first on the list), when he was elected for Warwickshire and Froxmere was elected for Weymouth (*q.v.*).

He succeeded William Cotton (*q.v.*) on 17 June 1453 as clerk of the Great Wardrobe, and he still held the office in May 1459.³ As "clerk" he had a reward of £100 in Sept. 1457, and in Apr. 1458 he had a lien on all moneys received from the sale of wardships, till he be repaid £2,000 that he had spent on the wardrobe. In June 1455, after St. Albans fight, the *Paston Letters* speak of Henry Fillongley, nephew to Sir John Fastolf, as being "at home in his own place," *i.e.*, safe. He was an exor. of Sir John Fastolf's will in Nov. 1459, a matter of considerable interest to the Pastons. Sheriff, Warw. and Leics., 1458-9;⁴ J.P. Warw., 22 July 1459 till the Yorkist victory at Northampton. Just before Northampton for good service against the rebels (Yorkists), he had a grant of land in Essex and at Enfield. Evidently he was a trusted Lancastrian, and from the day of Northampton nothing more is heard of him till Feb. 1471, when he is called deceased.⁵

FILOLL, JOHN (1408-67); of Woodlands, Dorset; lawyer of the Temple.

M.P. DORSET 1437, 1442, 1447, 1449-50, 1450-1, 1455-6, (? 1459), (? 1463-5), 1467. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of William Filoll, M.P. Dorset (*d.* 1415) by Jane (dead in 1439) da. and h. of John de Frome,⁶ and widow of Sir William Cheyne C.J.;⁷ *m.* Margaret, da. and h. of John Carent of Silton, Dorset, who survived him and *m.* John Wroughton esq.⁸

¹ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiii. 152.

² "Of Fillongley, Warwick, exr. of the will of Robert Darcy" (m.14).

³ Issue Roll, Easter 37 Hen. VI, No. 819.

⁴ In 1458 he had a curious grant of 5 of his own horses, which had been stolen by felons at Tottenham and recovered in Sussex.

⁵ *Paston Letters*, ii. 420. It is true that there is a Henry Fillongley who was yeoman of the Cellar 1461-73; but a man who had been *Keeper of the Great Wardrobe* to Henry VI cannot have become a Berkshire "Yeoman Trayer of the Cellar" to Edward IV.

⁶ *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. p. 228.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 11/347.

⁸ Hutchins, *Dorset*, iii. 152; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* 1478.

J.P. Dorset, and of the quorum, 17 Nov. 1439 to 17 Mar. 1447, 25 Nov. 1451 to 1461, and 8 Apr. 1465 till death; on all the Dorset comns. 1441 to 1467, including many gaol deliveries and the Lancastrian array in Dec. 1459; pardoned, 1446;¹ on comns. in Somerset and Mdsx.; removed from the bench on the fall of Gloucester in 1447, and in 1461, as a Lancastrian; steward of Ringwood, forfeited by the Earl of Salisbury, 19 Dec. 1459.

D. 29 June 1467, when William, aged 16, is his s. and h.—lands, Dorset. He died while M.P., no new writ issued. Will, dat. 29 June, pr. 14 July 1467.² To be bur. in the Temple Church. His two yr. sons, Moris and Nicholas, are to be sent to school until they are 18 or 19; Nicholas to be a priest and Moris a Knight of Rhodes. Exors.:—his wife and John Carent the elder (*q.v.*).²

FINCH, VINCENT (1460–1524); of Romney³ and Sandhurst, Kent, gent.; lawyer. M.P. Romney 1485, 1487, 1495 when bailiff, 1497, 1504.

Probably s. and h. of Vincent Finch, J.P. Sussex 1466–76, and customer of Chichester;⁴ *m.* Beatrice.

Bailiff of Romney 1483, 1485–9, 1495, 1506, 1509.⁵ J.P. Sussex, and of the quorum, 6 Jan. 1498 till death; on Kent comns. 1487, 1499, and on Sussex comns. 1512 array, and 1523 subsidy; pardoned 1509.⁶ He rented a salt marsh from Romney corpn.; one of the feoffees of Sir Edmund Beddingfield's wife Margaret, 1496;⁷ and one of Sir William Scott's feoffees at Brabourne, Kent (*q.v.*), 1504.⁸ His s. Henry was of age 1509.⁹

D. 1524; will of Vincent Finch of Sandhurst, gent., dat. 10 Mar., pr. 1 June 1524. To be bur. in Sandhurst church. Feoffees to grant Watlington to son Henry and Agnes his wife, da. of Thomas Bettenham, in tail male, successive remainders to sons Edward, Herbert and Nicholas. Exors.:—w. Beatrice, my servant Jane Twysynden, Edward Smith, and Roger Twesynden.¹⁰

FINDERNE (FYNDERN), (Sir) THOMAS (1420–64); of Carlton, Cambs. King's Knight and Captain of Guisnes, 1452–8. M.P. ESSEX 1447; CAMBRIDGESHIRE 1449–50, 1450–1. Lancastrian.

Probably nephew of William Finderne, the benefactor of Lincoln College, Oxford (*d.* 1444, M.P. Berks. 1435); *m.* Catherine, da. and h. of Nicholas Berners by Margery Swinborne, and had Sir William Finderne, M.P. in 1491 and 1495.

Kntd. *c.* 1448; a Cambs. elector 1449 (1), and on comns. there, all Lancastrian, 1449 to 1460; J.P. Cambs., 29 Nov. 1456 to 10 Nov. 1458. From 20 Feb. 1452

¹ Pardon Roll, 1 July 1446—of Woodlands, Dorset, esq. (m.41). ² P.C.C., 21 Godyn.

³ The mayor of Romney permits him to bar and enclose a lane between his tenement and land called Barrokkes in St. Martin's psh. (*Hist. MSS. Comm.* v. 548).

⁴ Probably the Vincent Herbert *alias* Finch, the common ancestor of the Earls of Winchelsea and Nottingham (note in Nicholas, *Test. Vetusta*, p. 613). But *cf.* William Finch of Maidstone, Kent, tailor, *alias* Doget, *alias* of Southcote, Berks., chapman, pardoned 1446 (m.13). ⁵ *Ex inf.* Miss Roper from the Romney records.

⁶ With Sir William Scott (*q.v.*) and Thomas Rote, gent., as tenants of Crowhurst, Burwash and Benthams, Sussex.

⁷ The feoffees were William and Nicholas Finch, deceased, and Vincent Finch living (*Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.* ii. No. 4). ⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1504), 347.

⁹ Pardon Roll, 1509—Henry Finch, gent., of Sandhurst, Pluckley and Milton by Sittingbourne, Kent, s. of Vincent Finch (*L. & P. Hen. VIII.* i. p. 206). ¹⁰ *Test. Vetusta*, 613.

till after 15 May 1458 he was Captain of Guisnes, and styled King's Knight; pardoned Nov. 1460, as "of Carlton, knt., mainpernor for John Bourchier"; sheriff of Cambs. and Hunts., Feb. 1460. He fought at Wakefield on the Lancastrian side, probably at Towton also, and was attainted 1461.

With Queen Margaret he escaped to Scotland. Thence, in May 1462, Montfort, Whittingham, Finderne and Grimsby went with the Queen to France, and there helped to sign the Treaty of Tours, June 1462.¹ The refugees returned with troops and when Queen Margaret captured Alnwick in Nov. 1462, she left in charge of it Lord Hungerford, Whittingham and Finderne and 500 soldiers. They were besieged by the Earl of Kent and Lord Scales, surrendered, and by the terms of surrender Finderne at least was enabled to rejoin Queen Margaret. Meanwhile, Sir Thomas St. Leger had been granted all his lands. On 14 May 1464 he was at Hexham battle, where he was taken, carried to Newcastle and beheaded, 17 May 1464.²

FINDERNE, Sir WILLIAM (1450-1517); of Carlton, Cambs., and Horkesley, Essex. M.P. CAMBRIDGESHIRE 1491-2, 1495 (and ? 1483 Jan.).

S. and h. of Sir Thomas Finderne of Carlton M.P. (1420-64), attainted, by Catherine (Berners);³ m. Agnes (b. 1467), da. of John Greene the Speaker and coh. of Edith his wife who died 1497 seised of Haverell (Haverhill), Suff., and of one-third of Bakewell, Derbys.⁴

He fought as a Lancastrian at Barnet, and any lands that had survived his father's attainder were forfeited and granted to Robert Ratcliff esq.⁵ In 1478, however, he got his father's attainder reversed, himself pardoned and kntd., and his lands restored. It was probably then that he married the heiress Agnes, and the feoffees for the Carlton settlement (12 Nov. 1478) were Sir Thomas Borough (q.v.), John Morton the Cardinal-to-be, and John Brokeman (q.v.).⁶ J.P. Cambs., 18 Feb. to 5 Dec. 1483, and 20 May 1493 to 18 July 1498, and 11 Feb. 1502 till death; on Cambs. comns. of subsidy, Apr. and Aug. 1483, and others from 1486 onwards, including the subsidy comn. of 1504 apptd. by Parlt.⁷ He did not adhere to King Richard and was rewarded by King Henry. Sheriff, Cambs. and Hunts., Mich. 1485-86 with 100 marks reward,⁸ and again 1507-8. William his s. and h. died 1508; Sir William was pardoned 1509.⁹

D. 18 May/Sept. 1517, when Thomas, aged 9, s. of William s. of Sir William was his g.s. and h.; lands in Cambs., Essex, and Exning, Suff.¹⁰ Will of Sir William Finderne of Carlton, Cambs., and Little Horkesley, Essex, dat. 5 May, pr. 21 Oct. 1517. To be bur. at Horkesley next his wife, if he die there. His g.s. Thomas is his heir, and Bridgett his da.-in-law; his g.s. Finderne to have the residue of plate. Exors. :—John Cutt, knt., cousin Richard Elyott serjt.-at-law

¹ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 252.

² *Gregory's Chronicle*—Camden Soc. 1876—p. 225.

³ *Geneal N.S.* xxiii, 243; where Sir William sues for next presentation to church of Weston-Colville, Cambs., 1490. See also *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 41.

⁴ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii, p. 27. He held Gosfield, Essex, in right of Agnes his wife (L. & P. Hen. VIII, ii. p. 1310).

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1472), 336.

⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. pp. 47, 66.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 540.

⁸ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 158, 231.

⁹ "of Carleton, Cambs., and Horkelschy, Essex, knt." (4 m.4).

¹⁰ *Inq. p.m.* 9 Hen. VIII.

(*q.v.*), Mr. Edmund Natteras, fellow of Clare Coll., Camb., and Mr. Robert Clayton, parson of Honyland, sometime fellow of Lincoln Coll., Oxon.¹

FINEUX (FYNEUX), (Sir) JOHN (1441-1527);² of Faversham and Herne, Kent. C.J. of the K.B. M.P. Bodmin 1478. Summoned 1485-6, 1487, 1489-90, 1491-2, 1495, 1497, 1504, 1510, 1512-4, 1515, 1523.

S. of William Fyneux of Swingfield, Kent, by a da. of Monynys; *m.* (1) Elizabeth da. of William Appledurfield, (2) Elizabeth (*d.* 1539; M.I. Herne) da. of Sir John and g.d. of William Paston, Justice C.P.—and had Richard Fineux M.P. (1465-1520).

Admtd. to Gray's Inn, 1468; comnr. Kent, 1474; J.P. Kent, and of the quorum, 7 Oct. 1475 onwards; steward of the manors of the chapter of Christchurch, Canterbury, 1476; M.P. 1478 and probably 1483-4; pardoned 1484;³ serjt.-at-law, 20 Nov. 1485;⁴ sworn to the Council, 1486; steward of Dover castle, 18 May 1488; justice of assize in Norf., 10 May 1489; King's serjeant, 14 Aug. 1489; opposed the subsidy for war in Brittany in Parlt., 1489-90; Puisne Justice C.P. 11 Feb. 1494; Chief Justice, K.B., 25 Nov. 1495; a Trier of Petitions in Parlt. 1497; and one of the King's feoffees in certain manors. An exor. of will of Cardinal Morton 1500; kntd. 1503; again a Trier of Petitions 1504; exor. of Henry VII's will 1509; Trier again 1515. In *re* the murder of Hunne he supported the claims of Civil against Ecclesiastical jurisdiction over criminous clerks and was supported by Henry VIII in 1515. He probably died or retired, 1527; buried in Canterbury Cathedral. His eld. da. by his first wife *m.* John Roper and was mother of William Roper. Fineux must have known More well.

He said:—"The prince's prerogative and the subject's privilege are solid felicities together and but empty notions asunder." He said also:—"No man thrives but he that lives as though he were the first man in the world and his father were not before him"—as it were, the dawn of radicalism.⁵

FINEUX, RICHARD (1465-1520); of Dover; lawyer. M.P. Dover 1497, 1504.

S. of Sir John Fineux, C.J.,⁵ M.P. (1441-1527), by Elizabeth (Appledurfield). His father took his origin from Canterbury and was steward of Dover castle from 1488, whence it came that the son was returned for Dover, lived at Dover, and was mayor there 1496, 1502, 1503, 1507, 1514;⁶ a comnr. in Dover, 1514. It is probable that he too was a lawyer, for as early as Jan. 1485 he was an attorney to deliver seisin in Kent.⁷

¹ P.C.C., 36 Holden.

² *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Fyneux, Sir John.

³ Pardon Roll, 1484, John Fineux of Faversham, Kent; *alias* late of London, *alias* Justice of Sewers, Kent.

⁴ He was apparently summoned to the 1485 Parliament before he was even made Serjeant. The Parlt. met 7 Nov. When made Serjeant he took for his motto "*Quisque suæ fortunæ faber.*" Other Serjeants have always adopted mottoes since.

⁵ J. Bavington-Jones, *Annals of Dover*, 293.

⁶ Statham, *Hist. of Dover*, 166-7.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 169; v. p. 471.

FIRSEY (FYRSSAY), JOHN (1405-60); of Portsmouth; merchant.
M.P. Portsmouth 1432, 1449 (1).

He was called "of Portsmouth" on the 1449 Return when elected; pardoned 16 Nov. 1452 as "John Vyrsy late of Portsmouth, merchant" (m.12).

FISH, HENRY (1445-1505); of Winchelsea. M.P. Winchelsea 1478.

Eld. bro. of Thomas Fish M.P. (1450-1500), and a beneficiary under his will, 1500. Apptd. keeper of town of Winchelsea, the liberties of which have been taken into the King's hands, 9 July 1471.¹ A feoffee, as of Winchelsea, in Westham, Sussex, 1474;² mayor of Winchelsea 1483-4 and a comnr.³

FISH, THOMAS (1450-1500); of Winchelsea.⁴ M.P. Winchelsea 1491-2.

Yr. bro. of Henry Fish of same M.P. (1445-1505). Thomas was mayor of Winchelsea 1486-8;⁵ was apptd. controller customs at Chichester 1489; died 1500/1. Will, dat. 29 Nov. with codicil 17 Dec. 1500, pr. in P.C.C. 8 Mar. 1501. To be bur. in St. Thomas Martyr, Winchelsea, near graves of father and mother. To the Friars preachers, half a barrel of herrings and four loads of logs; same to Friars minors; for marriage of his da. Jane £90. Bequest to bro. Henry. Residue to son Simon. Robert Sparowe sole exor. Sir Thomas Seywell, parson of Farley (Farleigh), supervisor.

FISHER (*alias* FURNEYS), RALPH (1420-70); draper of Leicester.
M.P. Leicester boro' 1450-1.

Probably a son of John Furneys of Leicester, living in 1425. He was mayor 1447-8; described as a draper in a deed of 1449, and for several years rented a dwelling house in the "Swines Market";⁶ steward of the Leicester Fair 1452-3; present at a port-mote 1454; a witness in 1459 and 1461.⁷ Dead by 1472.⁸

FISHER, WILLIAM (1450-97); of Clapham, Surrey; lawyer. Cofferer of the Household 1491-5. M.P. Bletchingley 1491-2.

Probably s. or h. of John Fisher, serjt.-at-law; for Clapham, Surrey, had been settled on William and issue by John Fisher, serjt., Thomas Danvers, Morgan Kidwelly and others, with remainder to William Ireland.⁹ A lawyer of the Temple;¹⁰ a feoffee for Merton College, Oxon., 1493; and he accounts from 6 to 10 Henry VII (1491-5) as Cofferer of the Household, "holding the office of Keeper of the Wardrobe of the Household".¹¹

D. 29 Sept. 1497, when Henry, aged 20, was his s. and h. Lands, Clapham, settled as above.⁹

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 276.

² Cat. of Battle Abbey deeds, Thorpe.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 425.

⁴ Not the serjeant to the Pantry 1485-1506.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1487), pp. 212, 214.

⁶ Hartopp, *Roll of the Mayors of the Boro' of Leicester*, p. 34.

⁷ Bateson, *Leicester*, pp. 426, 427, 450, 453, etc.

⁸ Hartopp, *op. cit.* p. 34; the M.P. was perhaps descended from Ralph Fisher, mayor 1397 (*ibid.* p. 25).

⁹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 315.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 54/255.

¹¹ Exchq. Accts. 6/7 to 9/10 Henry VII (413/7 & 8, 413/12).

FITZ, ROGER (1465-1504); of Southwark, and of Pylle, Hants; lawyer. M.P. Tavistock 1491-2.

Third s. of John Fitz of Tavistock and Fitzford (*d. c.* 1472); *m.* Isabel who survived him and *rem.* William Attclyff.¹

Admtd. Lincoln's Inn, Nov. 1484; sharing chambers with William Huddlesfield (*q.v.*) 1486; master of revels 1489-90;² steward 1495; butler 1496; pensioner 1498; marshal of the Inn 1502-3.³ Attorney in the guildhall of city of London 1493; J.P. Surrey, 4 Jan. 1497 till death; on Surrey comn. 1496; gaol delivery, Guildford, 1503.

D. 3 Apr. 1504, when Jane da. of John Fitz his elder bro.⁴ was "cousin" and heir to his manors of Pylle and Warborn, Hants; but Ridley, Kent, his Lewisham and Beckenham lands went to his widow for life, reversion to his bro. Walter Fitz.⁵ Will, dat. 28 Mar., pr. 18 Apr. 1504. To be bur. at Lewisham. Held lands at Southwark and in Essex and Hants. Bequests to w. Isabel and to bro. Walter Fitz. William Honychurch to have his books of law.⁶

FITZ-ALEYN, JOHN (1405-54); ald. of Oxford. M.P. Oxford boro' 1450-1.

He was sworn to the Peace in Oxon., 1434; an alderman of Oxford by 1448;⁷ mayor 1448-9; an elector 1449 (1) and 1449 (2); J.P. Oxford 1449 till death.

D. 1454; will pr. before the mayor of Oxford, 12 Sept. 1454.⁸

FITZGEOFFREY, JOHN (1400-60); of Thurleigh. M.P. BEDFORD-SHIRE 1429-30, 1431, 1432, 1435, 1445-6.

Elector, Beds., 1425, 1427, 1433, 1437; receiving recognisances in Beds., 1430;⁹ sworn to the peace 1434. In May 1439 a general pardon was issued in Beds. for John FitzGeoffrey of Thurye, gent., for John FitzGeoffrey the younger, of Thyrley, gent., and for 100 others, for attending at the sessions of the Peace at Bedford, on 12 Jan. 1439, with 800 armed men. The heiresses of William Partsoill sued him in 1441 for the manor of Partsoill in Riseley. An elector in Beds. 1442; and his son of the same name, called younger, was an elector in 1447. He was a man of independent spirit, for, when a witness in 1446/52, he refused to swear an oath, but gave his evidence "of his own free will and without oath."¹⁰ J.P. Beds., 22 July 1455 till death; on the Lancastrian comn. of array, Dec. 1459.

¹ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander, from Tavistock deeds.

² But he was put out of the Society at Mich. 1489, readmitted on paying 20*d.*; and in 1491 he was fined 20*s.* for "pulling down the hall," no doubt to celebrate his return to Westminster.

³ *Black Bk. of Lincoln's Inn—passim.*

⁴ This elder bro. was pardoned, 2 Ric. III, as of Alfynghon, Devon., gent., late an attorney general in the Guildhall at Exeter, late Court holder *alias* yeoman (m.9). So both were attorneys in Guildhalls, otherwise legal advisers to their respective cities.

⁵ *Inq. p.m.* 19 Hen. VII (MS. transcript in P.R.O. p. 167).

⁶ P.C.C., 7 Holgrave; William Honychurch was M.P. in 1529 and was the son of Roger Fitz's sister, Marion (*ex inf.* J. J. Alexander). ⁷ *Munimenta Civit. Oxon.* p. 211.

⁸ John FitzAleyne, lately Mayor of Oxford; proved by Sir Robert Nyneyerd, chaplain, Thomas Abburbury and John Goylyn junior. Exors.:—his wife Jane, John Goylyn senior, and Richard Bounde, to whom he granted all his lands in Oxford and suburbs, together with the advowson of his chapel in the churchyard of St. Aldates. Thomas Balscote, supervisor. *Liber Albus.* p. 75.

⁹ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1430), 103.

¹⁰ Fine Roll, 38 Hen. VI (m.22).

D. just before 24 May 1460 when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the exchr. of Beds.¹ He was certainly dead long before 1480, when a John FitzGeoffrey *d.* in Beds.; for in Oct. 1478 one Robert Rufford, who had married FitzGeoffrey's widow, Jane, was himself dead and succeeded by his son, Thomas. It was, therefore, probably his g.s., a third John FitzGeoffrey, who was nine years old in Aug. 1480. He held land in Great Barford and Milton Ernest, and acquired, in 1455, the manor of Clapham, Beds.²

FITZ-HENRY (AP-HARRY), THOMAS (1415-75); of Monnington and Eaton-Tregeze; lawyer. M.P. HEREFORDSHIRE 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1450-1, 1459, (? 1470-1). Lancastrian.

M. Jane, widow of Ralf Lyngem.³

In June 1442 he was made keeper of the alien priory of Carswall in Wales; eschr., Heref., 1442-3 and 1457-8; J.P. Heref., and of the quorum, 16 Feb. 1443 till 1461; 6 Dec. 1470 till death. On Heref. comms. 1444 till the Lancastrian collapse in 1460, including the array Dec. 1459, and also those during the Readeption, 1470-1; an elector, Heref., in 1459 (when himself elected). Pardoned as "Fitz-Harry" in 1446 and 1452; one of the Lancastrians summoned to the Great Council for Herefordshire, Apr. 1455; pardoned again Jan. 1456,⁴ and in Mar. 1458.

He was one of those whose arrest was ordered by the Yorkists in Aug. 1460. Parlt. in 1461 attainted him for having been with the Earl of Pembroke at Tutehill—this was the battle called "Mortimer's Cross".⁵ Stow relates that he was beheaded with Owen Tudor and the Scudamores after the battle, but this cannot have been the case. It is doubtful if even Sir John Scudamore was beheaded. On 6 Mar. Edward's proclamation of pardon specially excepted Thomas Fitz-Harry and put £100 on his head.⁶ In Aug. 1461 Sir John Scudamore, Thomas Cornwall and Thomas Fitz-Harry were all again excepted from the general pardon in Wales.⁷ In Oct. 1461, Exeter, Pembroke and Fitz-Harry again "reared war" near Carnarvon, but failed to recover the castles, all of which save Harlech were by then lost to the Lancastrians.⁸ Richard Herbert got Ap-Harry's lands at Monnington and Eaton, but the refugee survived till the Readeption. Then he was restored to the bench and put on comms.; he and Thomas Barret of Burpham, Surrey, were sureties to that government for Jasper Tudor, earl of Pembroke, who surely needed none, except *pro forma*.⁹ Warkworth, in his *Annals*, kills Fitz-Harry off at Tewkesbury just as Stow had finished him at Mortimer's Cross; but it seems possible that he even survived Tewkesbury, for in Aug. 1471 those excepted from the general pardon in South Wales included the Duke of Exeter, the Earl of Pembroke, John Owen, Thomas Fitz-Harry and Hugh Mille (*q.v.*).

¹ See note ¹⁰ on p. 330.

² *Ex inf.* Miss M. Fletcher.

³ In 1457 Thomas Fitz-Harry and Jane his wife, late the wife of Ralf Lyngem, sued the feoffees of Ralf Lyngem for the manor of Sutton Overcourt, Heref. (*Early Chanc. Proc.* 22/107).

⁴ As "of Eton-Tregoys esq., late of Monington" (m.10).

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* v. pp. 478-81.

⁶ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 156.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1461), 45.

⁸ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 204.

⁹ Fine Roll, 49 Hen. VI.

He cannot have survived long, though his attainder of 1461 was reversed in 1485. He probably had a son, as Thomas Fitz-Harry junior was an elector in Herefordshire in 1467.

FITZHERBERT, (Sir) NICHOLAS (1410-75); of Norbury; lawyer.
M.P. DERBYSHIRE 1447, 1453-4.

S. and h. of Henry Fitzherbert of the same (dead by 1443), by a da. of Downes; *m.* (1) Alice, da. of Henry Bothe of Harlston, Derbys., by whom he was father of Ralph, his s. and h.;¹ and (2) Elizabeth Ludlow of Salop.

In 1443 Fitzherbert sued Thomas Okeover and Ralf Bassett of Blore, Staffs., for destroying the closes on his common land in Norbury;² in 1452 he sued John Bothe for the manor of Ash, Derbys.³ Sheriff, Notts. and Derbys., 1447-8, 1458-9, 1465-6. John Stanhope complained to the Privy Council that Fitzherbert, while sheriff, had been excused payment of £40, Dec. 1455;⁴ pardoned on the roll of 28 Feb. 1459 as "of Northbury," Derbys., *alias* of Shrewsbury (m.30); on comns. in Derbys. from 1461 to 1472 and J.P., and of the quorum, 8 Dec. 1460 till death. Apportioner of the subsidy for Derbyshire in 1463;⁵ eschr. Salop, 1467-8; elector, Derbys., 1467; pardoned 5 Feb. 1472; granted a yearly tun of red wine for expenses in the King's service, May 1475.

It is doubtful if he was ever a knight. He disappears from all comns. in 1475, and probably died then; and if he was ever kntd. it must have been June-Oct. 1475.⁶

FITZ-JAMES, JAMES (1420-70); of Bridgwater or Rolston, Som.
M.P. Bridgwater 1467-8.

S. of James Fitz-James, M.P. Bridgwater 1431 (dead 1428), by Eleanor da. and h. of Simon de Draycot of Redlynch, Som.; *m.* Jane (probably) Champflower.⁷

He was apptd. controller of great and petty customs, etc., at Bridgwater, 11 Nov. 1446; pardoned, 12 Aug. 1452; on Som. comns. 1457, 1469. He was dead by 1473/5, when Richard Peyteven sued for a messuage in Rolston, Som., late of James Fitz-James;⁸ and was probably succeeded by John s. of John bro. of James FitzJames.⁹ This John FitzJames was M.P. for Bristol in 1491.

FITZJAMES, JOHN, the elder¹⁰ (1436¹¹-1510); of Redlynch, Som.; lawyer. Recorder of Bristol, 1495. M.P. Bristol, 1491-2, (? 1495).

S. and h. of John FitzJames of same, *d.* 1476, by Alice sis. of John Newburgh M.P.¹² and brother of Richard FitzJames. bp. of London (1442-1522); *m.* (1)

¹ *Geneal. N.S.* vii. 131.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/158.

³ *Geneal. N.S.* xviii. 186.

⁴ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 272.

⁵ *Fine Roll*, 3 Edw. IV.

⁶ But in 1489 John Fitzherbert, s. of Ralf and g.s. and h. of Nicholas Fitzherbert, describes his grandfather as kn., and he is so described in the 1611 Visitation of Derbyshire.

⁷ *Som. & Dorset N. and Q.* xvi. 54. The author of the article says—"Indications point to an early association of the family with Bridgwater, and the dolphins in their armorial bearings suggest that they acquired their original wealth and prominence by mercantile enterprise in connection with that port." ⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 47/122. ⁹ *ibid.* 54/129.

¹⁰ To distinguish him from a yr. bro. John, *d.* 17 Sept. 1491, ancestor of FitzJames of Leweston, Dorset. ¹¹ Aged 40 at his father's death, 1476.

¹² John FitzJames elder, s. and h. of John FitzJames and Alice his wife, sis. of John Newburgh (*q.v.*) was a beneficiary under and exor. of the will of said John Newburgh, 1484 (P.C.C., 20 Logge).

Elizabeth da. of William Bluet, (2) Isabel widow of Thomas Malet of Enmore, Som. Issue, John the judge.

Pardoned, 5 Dec. 1467, as elder of Redlynch, esq.; bailiff of the bishop at Salisbury, 1472;¹ J.P. Somerset, of the quorum, 1479 till death. In 1484 Richard FitzJames, clerk, John F. elder, Thomas F., John F. son of John F. elder, and örs., had licence to settle Corston, Som., on the right heirs of Thomas Inge.² Elder and younger were pardoned as feoffees of John Newburgh, 8 Feb. 1488; John FitzJames, elder and younger, founded a guild at Shepton Mallet, 1505. Subsidy comnr., Som., apptd. in Parlt. 1504;³ other comns. 1503-6. His son John younger, not the old man, was pardoned, 1509.⁴

D. 1510; will, dat. 30 Oct., pr. 16 Dec. 1510. Bequests to wife Isabel; to son John, who was exor. with Richard, bp. of London.⁵

It is, however, impossible to be certain that the M.P. was not his son Sir John (1465-1539/42) (*q.v.*) of the Middle Temple, who was recorder of Bristol 1510-21.⁶ A John FitzJames was recorder of Bristol in 1495; probably both were lawyers, both recorders. The age and absence of any qualification to the names of the M.P.s in 1491, 1495 tell in favour of father rather than son.

FITZJAMES, (Sir) JOHN (1465-1539); of Redlynch, Som.;⁷ Recorder of Bristol 1509-33; Atty.-Genl.; Serjt.-at-law 1521; Chief Baron 1522-6; C.J. of C. Pleas 1526-38. M.P. Bristol 1491-2, ? 1495. Sumnd. 1529.

S. and h. of John Fitzjames, the elder of the same (1436-1510) (*q.v.*), by Elizabeth da. of William Bluet; *m.* (1) Jane da. of Thomas More of Melplash, Dorset, and (2) Elizabeth da. of Sir Humphrey Coningsby and widow of Sir Richard Berkeley of Stoke-Gifford, Glos. He had two sons, John, who *d. v.p.* and *s.p.*, and James Fitzjames, chancellor of Wells. His uncle was Richard Fitzjames, bp. of London (1442-1522).

Though still under age he was a party to the trusts and settlements that followed on the death of his father's uncle John Newburgh (*q.v.*) in 1484;⁸ entered the Middle Temple. He or his father was recorder of Bristol by 1495 (probably by 1491,⁹ if and when first elected for Bristol); reader of the Middle Temple 1504; treasurer 1509; pardoned 1509 and 1513;⁷ attorney-general 26 Jan. 1519, and as such conducting the prosecution of the duke of Buckingham, 1521; sworn to the Council by June 1520; serjt.-at-law 1521; chief Baron of the Exchq. 1522-6; attorney-general for the Duchy 1521 and 1523; collr. of the subsidy, Som., 1523; kntd. 1525; C.J. Common Pleas 1526-38, being one of those to try Fisher

¹ Benson and Hatcher, *Old and New Sarum*, 698.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 515.

³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 537.

⁴ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 438 (3 m.2).

⁵ P.C.C., 34 Bennett.

⁶ The son was Attorney Genl. 1519, chief Baron of Exchr. 1521-2; kntd. 1525/9; C.J. 1526-39; a co-founder of Bruton school.

⁷ Pardon Roll, 1513, as of Redlynch and Butchey, Som., and of the Temple, London, gent., *alias* s. and h. of John FitzJames senior (*L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 1803 (2 m.6)).

⁸ Lic. for Richard FitzJames, clerk, John FitzJames elder, Thomas FitzJames, John son of John FitzJames elder, and others to settle Corston, Som., 16 Nov. 1484.

⁹ It may be the father (1436-1510) who sat for Bristol in 1491; it cannot be that father's bro., John FitzJames younger, for he *d.* 17 Sept. 1491, before the election could have taken place. The s., the budding recorder and young lawyer of 26, is the most likely one to have been M.P. even in 1491, even for Bristol.

and More, 1525; Trier of Petitions, 1529; at Anne's coronation, 1533; a co-founder of Bruton school, Som.;¹ handed over the recordership of Bristol to Thomas Cromwell, 1533; retired 1538.

D. 1539; buried at Bruton. No doubt guilty of judicial murders, but seems to have been superior to bribes.²

FITZLEWIS (FITZLOWES), Sir RICHARD (1460-1529); of West Horndon, Essex; Knt. of the Body 1523. M.P. Maldon 1487; ESSEX 1495, and (? 1523).

S. of Lewis FitzLewis (b. 1419), and g.s. of Sir Lewis John M.P. (1380-1442), by Margaret Stonor; m. (1) Alice Harleston, (2) Elizabeth Sheldon, and (3) Jane Hornby; and had John who d. v.p.³ leaving a da. Ellen, wife of John Mordaunt.

Feoffee for Sir William Brandon (q.v.) May 1485;⁴ J.P. Essex, 28 June to 5 Dec. 1483, and 22 Nov. 1485 till death; on Essex comns., subsidy Aug. 1483, array May 1484 onwards; knthd. at Stoke 16 June 1487; admtd. to freedom at Maldon and elected M.P., 9 Nov. 1487; at funeral of Henry VII, 1509; Virley's, Suff., which had been forfeited by the Earl of Suffolk, was granted him in tail male, June 1513;⁵ engaged to go overseas in Lord Abergavenny's company, 3 June 1514.⁶ The Essex lands which Sir William Finderne held in right of his wife Agnes and the wardship of Thomas, Sir William's heir, were granted to FitzLewis and Elizabeth his wife and John his heir appt., June 1518;⁷ comnr. of sewers 1517 onwards; a custody and wardship in Beds. was granted to Sir Richard FitzLewis, knt. of the body, and Jane his wife, 27 May 1523;⁸ on the comn. to supervise the loan and subsidy voted in 1523 Parlt., 1 Aug. 1524.

D. 12 July 1529, when Ellen wife of John Mordaunt,⁹ da. of John FitzLewis son of Alice (? Elizabeth) was his next heir. Will of Richard FitzLewis knt., dat. 4 Dec. 1527, pr. 24 Nov. 1529.¹⁰

FITZLEWIS see JOHN.

¹ *Somerset N. & Q.* xvi. 52; *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 485 (40).

² *Dict. Nat. Biog.* art. Sir John FitzJames.

³ *Succinct Genealogies*, but if this is correct he must have had three wives, and have forgotten the souls of two in his will—Alice Harleston; Elizabeth 1518; Jane in 1523 and surviving.

⁴ Brandon was then under attainr, FitzLewis had been his feoffee earlier. He was feoffee also for Thomas Darell at Dansey, Essex, in 1491 (*Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii, p. 69).

⁵ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, I. ii, p. 938.

⁶ *ibid.* ii, p. 1309.

⁷ *ibid.* ii, p. 1310.

⁸ *ibid.* iii, p. 1316.

⁹ John Mordaunt wrote to Wolsey, 2 July 1528, to say that he could not pay for the wardship of the sister and heir of the late Mr. Broughton for which he was asking, because of the expense incurred in buying the heir of Sir Richard FitzLewis (*ibid.* iv. 4452).

¹⁰ If he die at West Horndon, to be bur. there—otherwise where he may die—marble gravestone with arms. Wife Jane to have her apparel. Bequests to da. Isabel widow of Sir Henry Sherborne and her s. Thomas; to da. Frances West; to Edmund and William Grey sons of Sir Thomas Grey of Marten, Norf. Lands settled on his "cousin" and h. Elyn FitzLowys wife of John Mordaunt esq., s. and h. of Sir John Mordaunt. Refers to his grandfather Sir Lewis John Knt. Exors. :—w. Dame Jane, and Humphrey Wynkefeld his "cousin" (P.C.C., 13 Jankyn).

FITZWALTER, (Sir) JOHN RADCLIFFE DE (1452-96); of Attleborough (Lord Fitzwalter, 1485-95). Steward of the Household 1485-95; C.J. of Forests south of Trent 1485-95. M.P. NORFOLK 1478, 1483 (1), (? 1484). Sumnd. 1485-6, 1487, 1489-90, 1491-2.¹

S. and h. of John Radcliffe of same—Yorkist, slain at Towton—by Elizabeth² (b. 1430) only da. and h. of Walter, lord Fitzwalter (1401-71); m. (1) Anne sis. of Richard Whetehill of Calais, (2) Margaret.²

Warwick's government put him on the Norfolk comns. in Oct. 1470 while under age; on all Richard III comns.; J.P. Norfolk, 30 June 1476 till attainder. He succeeded his mother, heiress of the Fitzwalter barony, 1485; sumnd. to Parlt. in that barony, 15 Sept. 1485. He was at once made steward of the Household and steward of the Duchy lands in Norfolk and Suffolk;³ with Sir Reynold Bray (both King's Councillors) made warden and chief justice of forests south of Trent; then C.J. of all forests, and steward of England at the Queen's coronation, 10 Nov. 1487. Early in 1495 he was arrested charged with treason with Warbeck; attainted Oct. 1495; imprisoned at Calais; beheaded on alleged attempt to escape, 24 Nov. 1496. His attainder was reversed 1504.⁴

FITZWILLIAM, NICHOLAS (1400-60); of Adwick, Yorks. Customer of Hull 1441-50; ? lawyer. M.P. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1447.

Yr. s. of Sir John Fitzwilliam of Sprotborough, Yorks. (d. 1421) by Catherine (Clavell);⁵ m. Margery (d. 1474), da. of John Tansley of Tansley, Notts., which accounts for his sitting for that county. His s., John, was granted by the Duke of York, Nov. 1460, a pension of 10 marks, on condition of his serving for life the Duke and his son Edward, earl of March.⁶

He was one of the 12 chosen by the Yorkshire people to arbitrate with St. Leonard's, York, concerning Peter's corn, 1430;⁷ on several Yorks. comns., 1433, to the Lancastrian array in Dec. 1459; eschr., Yorks., 1433-4, 1438-9, 1442-3; J.P. West Riding, 21 Mar. 1437 to 23 Nov. 1458; Yorks. elector, 1442; apptd. controller of customs at Hull, Nov. 1441. As he had been exor. of the will of Richard Wentworth, and also of Margaret, lady Zouch, in 1449, as well as so often eschr. and comnr., it is possible that he was a lawyer. In 1459 he obtained a licence to have an oratory at Adwick.

He must have died just before 29 Aug. 1460, when the abbot of Roche obtained licence to veil Margery, widow of Nicholas Fitzwilliam⁸—possibly killed at Northampton, as he left no will.

FITZ-WILLIAM, THOMAS (1405-79); of Mablethorpe. King's Squire 1443-60. M.P. LINCOLNSHIRE 1453-4. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Thomas FitzWilliam of the same;⁹ m. Margaret, d. 1463, da. of Sir Thomas Dymoke of Scrivlesby, and had (1) John, his heir, and (2) Sir Thomas FitzWilliam, the Speaker (1430-98).

¹ *Comp. Peer.* v. 484-6.

³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 374.

⁵ *Staffs. Colls.* i. N.S. 245.

⁸ *Test. Ebor.* iii. 335.

² She remd. John, lord Dinham (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1467).

⁴ *ibid.* vi. 504, 526; *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 10.

⁶ *Test. Ebor.* ii. 154. note. ⁷ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1430), 165.

⁹ *Geneal.* N.S. xxii. p. 179.

In 1439 he was a feoffee at Orford, Suffolk. In 1443 he was exempted from holding office against his will because the sea has taken his land at Mablethorpe, called "King's Squire"; licence to ditch and enclose and crenelate and embattle Mablethorpe, Dec. 1459;¹ on Lincs. comms. from 1433, avoiding the contentious ones in 1459-61. He was pardoned 1458/9, as of Mablethorpe, late of Burwell, Lincs. esq. (m.42); and again, called "senior" but with the same description, 14 Nov. 1468 and 25 Feb. 1472. As he was J.P. Lindsey, "elder", 23 Nov. 1470-71, and was on the defence comm. of 20 Feb. 1471, he may be assumed to have supported the Readeption government and to have sympathised with the rising of the men of Lincs. in 1469-70.

D. 9 Apr. 1479.²

FITZWILLIAM, Sir THOMAS (1427-97); of Louth and Mablethorpe, Lincs. Lawyer of the Middle Temple; Recorder of London 1483-95. M.P. Lincoln city 1459; (? somewhere 1461-2); Plympton 1467-8; Lincoln city 1478; (? somewhere 1483 Jan.); London 1483 (Oct.), 1484, 1485-6, 1487, (1488); LINCOLNSHIRE 1489-90 (SPEAKER).

Second s. of Thomas FitzWilliam of Mablethorpe M.P. (1405-79) by Margaret (Dymoke);³ *m.* Margaret (living 1494), da. of Sir James Harrington.

Feoffee of Harrington, Lancs., for Thomas Zouch in 1457.⁴ J.P. Lindsey, Feb. to Nov. 1458; pardoned with other Lancastrian officials 8 Feb. 1462.⁵ An apportioner of the subsidy in Lindsey, 1463. In 1460/65 the parson of St. Mary, Mablethorpe, sued him as farmer of the church for failing to pay the pension to the late parson.⁶ J.P. Lindsey, 20 Feb. 1463 to 3 May 1470, 23 Nov. 1470 to 1471, 8 Nov. 1475 to 5 Dec. 1483, 7 July 1484 till death. Licence to found a chantry at Alford, Lincs., 1476. On Lincs. comms. from 1477 (called of Louth, junior) including the subsidy of Apr. 1483—thenceforth called of London also. Pardoned 23 Feb. 1483;⁷ elected Recorder of London, 19 June 1483;⁸ played an important part in the meeting at the Guildhall on 24 June 1483, when Buckingham urged the citizens to ask Gloucester to accept the crown. Owing to their lack of response, FitzWilliam was put up to repeat the Duke's message; but Shakespeare says he "nothing spake in warrant of himself."⁹

FitzWilliam was present at Shoreditch to greet Henry VII;¹⁰ and his speech as Recorder of London at the opening of the 1485 Parlt. has been reported by the Colchester M.P.s, and will be printed as an appendix to these volumes. With FitzWilliam began the City's regular custom of electing their Recorder to Parliament.

¹ *Cal. Charter Rolls*, vi. 131.

² *Lincolnshire Pedigrees*, i. 357.

³ In 1481 he joined in founding a guild at N. Somercotes, Lincs., to pray for souls of his parents Thomas and Margaret.

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 152.

⁵ As "junior *alias* of Mablethorpe, *alias* J.P. Lindsey, *alias* late of London, gent." (m.45).

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/180; Dasent, *Speakers*, 419.

⁷ As "of Louth, Lincs., esq., *alias* of Mablethorp, *alias* junior, gent., *alias* J.P. Lindsey, *alias* late of London, *alias* of St. Andrews, Holborn, outside the bar of Middle Temple" (m.6). It must be his son who was pardoned, 1484, "junior, late of Horncastle, gent., *alias* of Tateshale, Lincs., and Jane his wife" (m.17).

⁸ *Letter Book L.* 209. No. 1.

⁹ *Richard III*, Act III, Scene 7; R. R. Sharpe, *London and the Kingdom*, i. 322.

¹⁰ *Jor.* 9, fo. 84.

So fixed did this custom become, that in the 17th century a civic book of rules says that at the election of knights and burgesses the order is that they must choose Mr. Recorder for one of their knights.¹ He was knighted 1486 and was granted Saltfleetby, Lincs., for life, 11 Mar. 1486;² elected for London, 2 Dec. 1488, and immediately considered for Speaker. Whereupon he arranged to stand for Lincolnshire, and his replacer as M.P. for the City was elected 7 Jan. 1489. Parliament met 13 Jan., and FitzWilliam was elected Speaker 14 Jan. 1489. He did not "choose for which to sit," nor was a new writ issued for London, but the Chamber of London gave him 10 marks on his election as Speaker.³ Sir Robert Sheffield had succeeded him as Recorder of London by 21 Sept. 1495.

Both Sir Thomas FitzWilliam of Lincs. and Sir Thomas FitzWilliam of Aldwark, Yorks., were at the Duke of York's creation.⁴ It is sometimes difficult to distinguish the two.

D. 4 Mar. 1497, when Thomas, aged 10, s. of John s. of Sir Thomas was his h. Lands—Lincs. Will, dat. 25 June 1494, pr. 21 May 1497. To be bur. at Hangneby, Lincs. As Thomas FitzWilliam junior, he had founded a chantry at Alford, Lincs. Masses for Thomas FitzWilliam esq., and Margaret (his father and mother). Residue to dame Margaret his w. and she exor. with Mr. John Walles clerk, William Langdale, esq., Geoffrey FitzWilliam his s., Sir John Foreman, priest, and Thomas Challoner his servt.⁵

FLAMANK (FLAMMOK), THOMAS (1455-97); of Boscarne, Corn.; lawyer and rebel. M.P. Bodmin 1491-2.

S. and h. of Richard Flamank of the same by Jane da. of Thomas Luccombe of Bodmin; m. Elizabeth da. of John Trelawny of Menwineck, and had a da. Jane, who m. Piers Fauntleroy. The family is of great antiquity at Bodmin, having held Nanstallon from 14th to 19th century.⁶

He instigated the Cornish rising, arguing that it was the business of the barons of the north, and of no other of the King's subjects, to defend the Scottish border, and that the tax the King was attempting to raise was illegal. He, Antron and Joseph the blacksmith resolved to petition the King in London, and the mob marched through Taunton, Wells, Salisbury and Winchester to Blackheath. They collected Lord Audley at Wells; and the triumvirate were defeated and taken at Blackheath, 26 June 1497; tried at Whitehall, and Flamank and Antron (q.v.) were hanged. Audley was beheaded next day at Tyburn.⁷

FLAXLEY see FLEXBY.

FLEMING (FLEMANG), JOHN (1395-1460); of Southampton, gent. Recorder 1448-60. M.P. Southampton 1449-50.

S. and h. of Benett Fleming.⁸

¹ *Ex inf.* Miss Winifred Jay. *The Order of my Lord Mayor* (1629).

² Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 352.

³ Jor. 9, fo. 241.

⁴ Gairdner, *L. & P. Hen. VII*, i. 404.

⁵ P.C.C., 9 Horne.

⁶ Gilbert Flamank was M.P. Bodmin 1529-36.

⁷ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. T. Flamank; which, however, does not mention that he was M.P. 1491.

⁸ *Black Book of S'hampton*, i. 772.

In 1420 the exors. of John Beneyt, *viz.* John Fleming and Thomas Winterbourne, erected a conduit to bring water to supply the town. Fleming was a turbulent person, suing for trespass in 1432, accused of extortions in 1448. While mayor in 1446 he oppressed a Genoese merchant, or it may be swindled him.¹ Pardoned, 27 Mar. 1437; mayor of Southampton 1445-6; Town Clerk 1446, and then Recorder 1448 onwards; an elector 1449 (1), 1453 and 1455; and on comns. in the town from 1449 to Mar. 1460. As Recorder he disturbed God's House in the possession of its land, and was accused of joining with Peter and Andrew James to disfranchise Thomas White who had obtained writs from Chancery against the Town Ordinances. White sued him in Chancery,² and then Andrew James sued Fleming for refusing to carry out the settlement on his da. who had married Andrew 1448.³ He must have *d.* soon after Mar. 1460. John Fleming M.P. for Southampton in 1504 may be his grandson.

FLEMING, JOHN (1470-1515); of Southampton esq.; Captain R.N.; customer 1507-14. M.P. Southampton 1504.

S. and h. of John Fleming esq. (*d.* 1502),⁴ possibly descended from John Fleming, M.P. Southampton (1395-1460) (*q.v.*).

Mayor of Southampton 1504-5; on gaol delivery there 1505-7; apptd. contr. of customs there 23 Feb. 1507; confirmed 7 July 1509;⁵ but in debt on this account to the exors. of Henry VII; captain of the *Nicholas* of Hampton—to keep the seas this winter, 1512;⁶ captain of the *Kateryn forteleize*, 1513,⁷ in Adl. Sir Edward Howard's fleet;⁸ captain of the *Nicholas Rede* or the *Gret Nicholas*, of 400 tons, carrying a crew of 295 (or 130 soldiers, 150 mariners and 15 gunmen at 5s. per man per month, the Captain getting 42s. a month), 25 Apr. 1514.⁹ Though occurring so often, he occurs no more, and probably *d.* 1514/5; and, as there is no trace of a will, probably he died at sea.

FLEMING, RICHARD (1415-1464); ald. of London, ironmonger. M.P. London 1459.

On a London comn. 1458; alderman, 8 Mar. 1460 till death; sheriff, 1460-1; auditor, 1463-4. In 1464 he lent money to the city, probably to pay the expense of Marowe and the city representatives at the Parliament at York.¹⁰ The Ironmongers were incorporated 20 Mar. 1463 and Fleming was apptd. first Master.¹¹

D. Aug. 1464. Will, dat. 25 Aug., pr. 31 Aug. 1464, citizen, ironmonger and alderman of London. To be bur. in St. Magnus, London Bridge. Bequests to Elizabeth Godfrey his sis. and to Elizabeth his da. Residue divided between Eleanor his w. and Thomas, John, William, Robert, Margaret and Agnes, his children.¹²

¹ *Black Book of S'hampton*, I. xiv.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/532.

³ *ibid.* 16/277.

⁴ Licence of entry without proof of age for John Fleming esq., s. and h. of John Fleming esq. (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1502, 257).

⁵ *ibid.* (1507) 532; *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, I. i. p. 64.

⁶ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, I. i. p. 645.

⁷ In the list of ships "for sea next year" *Flemyng* is substituted for *Burdett*, in the King's own hand, as captain of "*The Lesser Carek*" again corrected to the *Kateryn Forteleza* (*ibid.* i. 749).

⁸ *ibid.* I. i. p. 777.

⁹ *ibid.* i. 1179; i. p. 1235.

¹⁰ Jor. 7, fos. 58, 72d.

¹¹ A. B. Beaven, *Ald. of London*, ii.

¹² P.C.C., 5 Godyn.

FLEXBY, JOHN ; of Dorset.

M.P. Poole 1472-5 ; Wareham 1491-2.¹

D. just before 26 Dec. 1493, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Dorset.² No inquest found.

FLORE, RICHARD (1465-1523) ; of Burley, Rutland. M.P. Northampton boro' 1489-90.

Perhaps g.s. of Thomas Flore M.P. ; m. Dorothy who survived him with a son Roger.

Mayor of Northampton 1489-90 ; warden of St. John's hospital, Oakham, 24 Nov. 1494 ; subsidy comnr., Rutland, 1496 ;³ formerly a feoffee for William Lane of Northampton, 1502 ;⁴ assessment comnr., Rutland, again, 1504 ;⁵ vested land in Burley in feoffees, 1521 ; again assessment comnr., Rutland, 1523.⁶ D. 16 Sept. 1523, when Roger, aged 34, was his s. and h. ; lands—Burley, Rutland, Nether Torrington, Lincs., Worthorpe, N'hants., and in Stamford.⁷

FLORE, THOMAS (1400-72/3) ; of Oakham. Constable of Nottingham 1440-58. M.P. RUTLAND 1432, 1445-6.

S. and h. of Roger Flore M.P., Speaker⁸ (d. 1428), by Katherine da. and coh. of William Dalby of Exton, Rutld. ; m. Agnes da. and h. of Piers Saltbie by whom he had Roger his s. and h.⁹

Sheriff of Rutland 1430-1, 1441-2, 1450-1, 1456-7, 1464-5, 1469-70 ; sworn to the peace as " of Oakham esq." 1434 ; J.P. Rutland, 12 Apr. 1446 till 1471 ;¹⁰ on Rutland comns. from 1448, including the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459 and the array of 7 Mar. 1472 ; elector, Rutland, 1429, 1433, 1435, 1437, 1449, 1472 ; till 21 Feb. 1458 he and William Pilarton were joint constables of Nottingham castle. He would seem to have supported the Readeption govt., for on 13 July 1471 a comn. was issued to arrest him and bring him before the King and Council.

D., to judge from his comns. and the 1472 election at Oakham, 1472/3.

FLUD (FLOYD) see LLOYD.

FOGGE, Sir JOHN (1425-1490) ; of Ashford, Kent. Treasurer of the Household 1460-9 ; P.C. 1461-83 ; Keeper of the Writs 1461-83 ; Keeper of Rochester 1461-71. M.P. KENT (? 1461-2), (? 1463-5) ; Canterbury 1467-8 ; KENT 1478, (? 1483 Jan.).

Both Hasted and the *Arch. Cantiana* make him s. and h. of Sir William Fogge, s. and h. of Thomas, s. and h. of Sir Thomas Fogge who was M.P. for Kent in 1376-84.¹¹ But in his suit for Tonford etc., Aug. 1460, he calls himself s. and h.

¹ It is practically certain that the man called John Flaxley, M.P. Wareham 1491-2, is a clerical error for John Flexby. ² Fine Roll, 9 Hen. VII (m.2).

³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 518.

⁴ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 621.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 539.

⁶ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, iii. p. 1361.

⁷ *Inq. p.m.* 15 Hen. VIII, Vol. 40, No. 23.

⁸ Curiously enough the *Dict. Nat. Biog.* article on this Speaker, while mentioning his four younger sons—Robert, Roger, John and William—omits Thomas the son and heir ; but see his will in *Fifty Earliest English Wills*.

⁹ *Visitn. Rutland*, 29. Roger had s. and h. Sir Richard, d. 1523.

¹⁰ His last comn. of the peace was issued under the Readeption govt.

¹¹ *Arch. Cant.* ii. 103, v. 124-5 ; xxviii ; lxxxiii ; Hasted, *Kent*, viii. 71, 407 ; ix. 188.

of John, deceased, who was a younger son of Sir Thomas Fogge M.P.¹ Sir John's mother was Jane Catton.² *M.* (1), before 1449, Alice, da. of Sir William Haute (M.P.) and first cousin to Elizabeth Wydevill; and (2), before 1462, Alice, da. and coh. of Sir Thomas Kyriel K.G. (*q.v.*). He possessed Dane Court and Boughton,³ and bought Orens Court. Through his second wife he had Repton and lands at Sene, Folkestone, Walmer, etc. He rebuilt Ashford church, founded a college or guild and left lands in Ashford to endow the church.³ His tomb in Ashford church is illustrated in *Arch. Cantiana*.⁴

The King's Squires, Scott, Horne and Fogge, spent 500 marks by the advice of the Council for the destruction of Cade, and from Apr. 1450 Fogge sat on all the Kent comns. J.P. Kent, 24 Dec. 1450 to 2 Dec. 1458, 17 Nov. 1460 to 21 Dec. 1470, 27 June 1471 to 5 Dec. 1483, 20 Sept. 1485 till death. Sheriff, Kent, 1453-4 (£60 reward), 1472-3, 1479-80. In Nov. 1456 the "three famous captains" recovered the money they had, or had not, spent on destroying Cade—they had instead licence to ship uncustomed wool "beyond the mountains." Pardoned, 8 Jan. 1459, "esq., late sheriff, *alias* J.P. Kent" (m.41). The three captains were employed on every array and muster by the Lancastrians down to May 1460, but when the Yorkist Earls got to Canterbury in June the captains opened the gate and joined the Yorkist advance on London. In July Fogge was made Keeper of the Wardrobe of the Household.⁵ He helped to elect Horne for Kent in Sept., and they raised Kent in Feb. 1461 against "mysruled and outrageous people in the north parts."⁶ Horne fell at Towton; Scott and Fogge reaped the harvest.

He was made J.P.; had a grant of Dane and Tonford in fee; keeper of the Writs of the Common Bench; keeper of Rochester castle; tronage and pesage of wools at Boston; knighted 27 June 1461, a P.C. with £80 a year,⁷ and confirmed as Treasurer of the Household, a post synonymous with Keeper of the Wardrobe;⁸ he had also the house called Queen Jane's wardrobe in Aldrichgate. In Apr. the town of Beverley, to obtain his goodwill when he arrived to raise men, gave him an ambling nag and harness;⁹ and in July he got £650 for the King from the city of London. Fogge and Hastings were made proctors for Coppini, the Papal Legate, 23 Oct. 1461; Fogge and Scott supervised the fortification of Sandwich, Dec. 1461. In Feb. 1462 Scott and Fogge, and Alice, Fogge's wife and Kyriel's daughter, endowed two chaplains to pray for Horne and Kyriel and all others slain at Northampton, St. Albans and Shireburn (Towton)—whence we may suppose that they were present together in these fields. Wenlock, Fogge, Scott and Say were made keepers of the Earl of Oxford's forfeited lands, 18 Mar. 1462. In May 1462 the Treasurer of the Household obtained the manor of Hothfield, Kent; and in June, Treasurer Fogge and Controller Scott were made joint masters of St. Anthony. In Dec. 1462 Fogge, Scott, and Colt were put in charge of the temporalities of the bishopric of Durham—remaining in charge till Apr. 1464. He accounts 1460 to Oct. 1468 as Keeper of the Wardrobe or Treasurer of the Household.¹⁰ The Parliaments of 1461, 1464, 1467, in all of which he

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1460), 610, 626.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 11/413.

³ Hasted, *Kent*, vii. 542.

⁴ *Arch. Cant.* ii. 103.

⁵ Ramsay, *Lanc. and York.* ii. 230.

⁶ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 307.

⁷ Issue Roll, Mich. 2 Edw. IV.

⁸ Scofield, *Edward IV.* i. 158.

⁹ *ibid.* i. 167.

¹⁰ *Exchq. Accts.* 411/11, 13; 412/2. Issue Roll, 8 Edw. IV, No. 841.

probably sat, exempted him from resumption in respect of Rochester castle, "Queen Jane's wardrobe", and as Treasurer of the Household.¹

In Apr. 1464 Fogge was made supervisor of the deer and of hunting in Kent, and he and Alice are to have a tun of Gascon wine at Xmas. Next year Dame Alice Fogge was made one of the new Queen's Ladies in Waiting with £20 a year. In 1465 the Treasurer of the Household was granted during office all the profits of the Mint; and, at his request, an annual fair was granted at Ashford.² In 1466 all the profits of coinage in Cornwall and Devon, of mines and of subsidies on tin shipped were obtained by the Treasurer "during office" for the expenses of the Household. He was negotiating with Philip of Burgundy in Flanders in Jan. 1467. Late that year he was indicting the unfortunate Sir Thomas Cook (*q.v.*)—no doubt for "the expenses of the Household."³ In Nov. he endowed an oratory for prayers for Kyriel, Horne and Colt and all slain "for the King's right", as before. Edward IV writes to the Prior of Canterbury "if Sir John Scott come not, give 1,000 marks to Sir John Fogge our counsellor", to furnish 1,000 archers for Calais.⁴

He was one of the "grasping favourites" denounced by Robin of Redesdale (or Warwick) in 1469. On 18 July 1469 he is called "Treasurer",⁵ which however must not be read as Treasurer of England. As he was taken off the bench during the Readeption we may assume that Fogge and Scott went into exile with the King. They were on the Kentish comn. of array appointed 18 Apr. 1471; but Sir John Fogge of Rypton in Ashford, *alias* late of London, had a general pardon, 6 July 1471. At the same time Fogge, Dynham and 3 justices were sent to tour Kent and try the Kentish rebels. However they seem to have preferred cash to heads. 1471-2 saw more custodies and forfeited lands pass into the hands of Sir John and Dame Alice, including the temporalities of the see of Norwich, *sede vacante*. He was not elected 1472 but he was made sheriff, and Fogge, Scott and Haute were among the Prince of Wales' tutors and councillors, Feb. 1473. His son John Fogge, esq., began to be joined with him in grants in 1474. From 10 July 1471 he had leased the gold and silver mines in Devon and Cornwall for 12 years. By 1480 he had brought water to the mines and the King appointed two controllers to audit and survey the 6½% due to the Crown—a mistaken venture. His last grant from Edward was that of the lands and h. of Nicholas Arundel of Trerice, Cornwall, 14 Nov. 1482.

He is not called Treasurer after 1469 but always King's Councillor. He was on the Council in Jan. 1483. Sir Thomas More says⁶—"Fogge had been Treasurer of the Household to Edward IV. Richard III had granted him an ostentatious pardon, but Fogge remained hostile." He was on none of Richard's comns., and was attainted by the Parlt. of 1484, "leader of the Duke of Buckingham's rising in Kent." Browne, Fogge and Guildford forfeited their Kentish estates which were handed to the custody of William Mauleverer.⁷ Browne lost his head, Fogge took sanctuary. Richard sent for him, shook hands and pardoned him, 24 Feb. 1485, "John Fogge of Ashford, knt., the elder,

¹ *Rot. Parl.* v. pp. 472, 526, 583.

⁴ *Arch. Cant.* v. 124.

⁶ T. More, *Richard III*, p. 80.

² *Arch. Cant.* v. 128.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1469, p. 165.

⁷ *Arch. Cant.* xxxvii, 114.

³ Morant, *Essex*, i. 66.

alias late of London", and the pardon is coupled with a grant to him and Alice of Dymchurch which had been forfeited by his attainder.

After Bosworth Henry VII made Sir John and John his son Chamberlains of the Duchy of Lancaster. Parliament exempted them and reversed the attainder.¹ The keepership of the Writs of the Common Bench was transferred from him to his son and John Heyrom jointly, 1 Oct. 1485. He took out a pardon, 20 Nov. 1486, "John Fogge senior, knight, *alias* of Esshetisforde, Kent" (m.19). As late as Jan. 1488 he was granted the keeping of Sudbury, Beds., during the minority of Humphrey Stafford. The will of John Fogge knight of Ashford is dat. 9 July 1490, pr. at Canterbury, no date.²

By Alice Haute he left a son John; by Alice Kyriell a son Thomas (named after her father) who became serjeant-porter of Calais.³ In spite of a modern novelist, there is little, save his indictment of Cook, that this close examination can bring up against a good soldier, a good comrade and a powerful official.

FOGGE, (Sir) JOHN (1455-1525); of Ashford, Kent. M.P. Launceston 1478.

S. and h. of Sir John Fogge M.P. (1425-90) Treasurer of the Household, by Alice (Haute); m. by 1471 Jane da. and coh. of Sir Richard Lee, mayor of London (*q.v.*).

From 1474 onwards he was joined to his father in various grants, particularly in Cornwall, which would easily account for the son sitting for Launceston. With his father he was against Richard III, and after Bosworth Henry VII made the pair of them Chamberlains of the Duchy of Lancaster. Parliament exempted them from resumption.⁴ Keeper of the Writs of the Common Pleas, in succession to his father, 1 Oct. 1485. He succeeded to Ashford on his father's death. He was a surviving feoffee for Reynold Sondes of Trulegh (Throwley), Kent, in 1492.⁵ J.P. Kent, 1 Apr. 1494 to 5 June 1503, Mar. to Nov. 1504, 18 June 1506 till death; kntd. 14 Nov. 1501; on Kent comns., 1490 onwards. On 10 July 1508 he and Sir Matthew Browne (*q.v.*) were bound to Henry VII in 240 marks.⁶ He supplied 51 men to the array mustered at Canterbury 17 May 1514;⁷ named for sheriff of Kent but not pricked 1512 and 1513; sheriff 1522-3.

FOKE see FOWKE.

FOKERAY (FOKEY), WILLIAM (1450-93); of Dartmouth; customer 1485-93. M.P. Exeter 1478; Dartmouth 1491-2.

Of an old-established Dartmouth family, probably descended from

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. pp. 273, 356.

² To be bur. in Ashford ch. To w. Alice, her house at the Borrough and all lands in Romney Marsh. Other lands to s. John and heirs with remainder to nephew John Foughler. Other lands to £300 a year for the marriage of das. Anne, Eliz. and Margt. Toulford manor to s. Thomas; the Bulle in Ashford to s. John. The profits from the nonage of the s. and h. of Humphrey Stafford to exors., 20 marks per ann. to John Kyriell for life. Residue to wife, and she exor., with Jas. Goldwell, bp. of Norwich, Mr. Nich. Goldwell, John Fyneux, Thos. Wilmot, vicar of Ashford (Cant. Prob. Reg. C. iii. ff. 280-810).

³ *Arch. Cant.*, *ut supra*.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. pp. 273, 356.

⁵ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. p. 306.

⁶ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, g. 2055 (120).

⁷ *ibid.* 2912, p. 1539.

John Fokeray of Buckland in Combe-in-Teignhead; *m.* Jane and had a da. *m.* to Robert Cary of Cockington.¹

Bailiff of Dartmouth 1484-5; mayor 1485-6; customer of Exeter and Dartmouth by Nov. 1485, when he had licence to import and export freely without penalties;² accounts for the office jointly with John Moton 1486-7;³ licensed to export 1,000 pieces of tin, Feb. 1489;⁴ on Devon comn., 1491; again mayor of Dartmouth 1491-2 *sed. Parl.*⁵

He was alive 7 Mar. 1492, and dead 25 Feb. 1494, when his widow Jane occurs in Dartmouth deeds;⁶ she was sued, 20 June 1502, for the value of a tonne of Gascon wine.⁵ His mother, also Jane, was still living 1494.

FOLBERY, ROBERT (1420-85); of Newcastle. Customer; Recorder and Lawyer. M.P. NORTHUMBERLAND 1467-8; Newcastle-on-Tyne 1472-5.

Probably s. of William Folbery of Fowbery in Chatton, 1428.⁷

Admitted Lincoln's Inn 1444, pensioner 1451-2, governor 1455-6, auditor 1457. Appointed collector of customs and subsidy in Newcastle, 11 Mar. 1455, and still so in July 1458; deputy butler, 30 June 1458; J.P. Nhd., of the quorum, 25 June 1460-1; 10 Dec. 1461 to 8 Dec. 1471; comns., Nhd., from 1454 to 1470; pardoned, 14 Feb. 1472, "of Newcastle-on-Tyne, gent., *alias* late of Folbery, Nhd., *alias* late of London, gent." Recorder of Newcastle in 1480/3.⁸ A William Folbery was an elector of Newcastle in 1478, and Fowbery in Chatton was held by a William Folbery in 1483.

FORD (FORTHE), JOHN (1415-70); of Colchester. M.P. Colchester 1447, 1449 (1), 1455-6.

John Ford was M.P. for Colchester 1417; William Ford in 1450 and 1467. John was elector of Colchester when William was elected. John Ford was bailiff of Colchester 1451, 1453, 1456, 1458, 1462 and 1465-6.⁹

All these John Fords make it probable that the "Forthe" M.P. in 1447, the "Foorde" M.P. in 1449 (1), and the "Forde" M.P. in 1455 should all be the same man, John Ford of Colchester. But there was a John Forthye, who entered Lincoln's Inn in 1428, and was coroner of London in 1437. It is just possible that the Colchester M.P. of 1447 was really "Forthey".

FORD, JOHN (1420-85); of Dorchester. M.P. Lyme Regis 1460-1

Perhaps s. of John Forde, M.P. Dorchester 1417-23.

Probably this man, or his father, was appointed joint keeper of the King's ships with 12*d.* daily out of Southampton, 27 Aug. 1448. Such a man was yeoman of the Crown with 6*d.* daily out of Kent, 13 Feb. 1460; King's serjeant-at-arms with 12*d.* daily out of Exeter and Dartmouth, 23 Nov. 1469. The M.P. was certainly the manucaptor for the Dorset knights of the shire in 1460; a juror at

¹ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

² Campbell, *Materials*, i. 177.

³ *ibid.* ii. pp. 90, 147.

⁴ *ibid.* ii. 413.

⁵ *Dartmouth*, Watkin, 186, 214.

⁶ *ibid.* pp. 159, 198.

⁷ In 1473/5 John Folbery and Thomas Todd were exors. of the will of Thomas Folbery late of Newcastle, deceased (*Early Chan. Proc.* 48/180).

⁸ *ibid.* 61/368; also Welford, *Newcastle and Gateshead*, i. 363.

⁹ Rickword, *List of Mayors of Colchester*.

Sherborne 1462; the bailiff and elector at Dorchester in 1478; exor. of the will of John Loveybond, late parson of Lyme, 1475/85.¹ And in 1483/5 Thomas Gascoigne sued John Forde of Dorchester for detaining deeds of lands in Honiton, Devon.²

FORD, JOHN (1425-90); of Romney, draper and shipowner. M.P. Romney, 1469, 1483 Jan., 1483 June.

Romney paid Robert Scras and Ford to ride to London to the archbishop about their charter 1452.³ After the bastard's rising, there were pardoned John Forde of Romney, draper, *alias* merchant, and Clement Forde of Romney, merchant, *alias* taverner, *alias* masters and owners of *The Christopher* of Romney. About 1475/85 John Forde and Kateryn his wife, late wife of William Goulde, sued the feoffees to uses for a messuage in Canterbury.⁴ Attorney in Kent 1480.⁵ After the Parliament of 1483 Jan., Romney repaid to Forde and Gervase Horn the expenses of two breakfasts they had given "to the lords and the other gentlemen of the House of Parliament," 20s.⁶

FORDE, WILLIAM (1425-85); of Colchester, clothmaker. M.P. Colchester 1450-1, 1467-8.

Perhaps s. of John Forde M.P. of the same.

Bailiff of Colchester 1454-5, 1459-60, 1461-2, 1465-6, 1468-9, 1470-1, 1473-4, 1478-9, 1483;⁷ an elector of Colchester, 1455 and 1459; pardoned 1468, as "of Hadleigh, Suffolk, clothmaker," and on that of 16 Dec. 1471 as "of Colchester, draper, *alias* citizen and clothier of London."

FORSTER, HUMPHREY (1420-88); of Harpsden by Henley; lawyer. M.P. OXFORDSHIRE 1467-8, (? 1470-1).

Probably s. of Humphrey Forster who was exor. to Thomas Chaucer, Chief Butler of England⁸ and Speaker (*d.* 1434). *M.* (1) Alice (or Elizabeth) da. of Thomas Stonor,⁹ (2) Sybil (*b.* 1426) da. and coh. of Elizabeth Quatremains and widow of Robert Poyntz.¹⁰

In 1453 Humphrey Forster, lord of Harpsden, and Elizabeth his wife, had licence for a portable altar.¹¹ In 1458 he was one of those feoffees of the estate of William de la Pole, duke of Suffolk, who were then pardoned (*m.* 9). Pardoned, 5 May 1462, "of Harpsden by Henley, Oxon., esq., *alias* gent." (*m.* 26). An apportioner of subsidy in Berks., 1463;¹² J.P. Berks., of the quorum, 10 Oct. 1464 to 12 June 1471, and J.P. Oxon., 12 July to 14 Nov. 1470, 12 June 1471 till death. Pardoned, 20 Jan. 1472;¹³ sheriff, Glos., 1472-3, Oxon. and Berks. 1474-5; on Oxon. comns. from 1456, including Nov. 1470 and the array of 11 May 1471 and all those of 1483 and 1484, down to the subsidy comm. of 21 Jan. 1488.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 66/179.

² *ibid.* 65/172.

³ *Hist. MSS. Comm.*, Romney MSS. v. 543.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 35/56, 51/287.

⁵ Plea Rolls, K.B.

⁶ *Hist. MSS. Comm.*, Romney MSS. v. 547.

⁷ Rickword, *Lists of Mayors*, 13.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 17/193.

⁹ *Visitn. Warw.* 133; *Visitn. Berks.* 29.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 11/378.

¹¹ *Cal. Papal Regrs.*

¹² Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

¹³ "of Harpsden, Oxon., esq., *alias* late of Ewelme, Oxon., *alias* late of London esq."

D. 17 Feb. 1488, when Humphrey, aged 30 and more (more nearly 40), was found his s. and h. Lands—Harpsden, Oxon., and Idstone, Berks. His wife Sybil survived him.¹ The son Humphrey in his will, 1500, desires to be buried beside his father in St. Peter's, Harpsden (12 Moone). As Humphrey II's son and heir George is called 34 in 1500, Humphrey II must have been nearly 40 in 1488.

FORSTER (FOSTER), JOHN (1430-92); of Bristol, shipowner and merchant. M.P. Bristol 1489-90.

Perhaps s. of Richard Forster of same, M.P. (q.v.) and bro. of Thomas Forster;² m. Elizabeth who predeceased him—sons Richard, etc.

Pardoned, 5 Jan. 1456, 12 Jan. 1458;³ bailiff of Bristol 1462; pardoned, 6 Sept. 1468; sheriff of Bristol 1474-5; mayor 1481-2. He was still going to sea 1467; founded Forsters Almshouses which still exist, and also the chapel of the Three Kings of Cologne, Bristol.⁴

D. 1492. Will, dat. 6 Aug.; Inventory taken 17 Aug. 1492. To be bur. in St. Werburgh's, Bristol. Masses for his soul and of Elizabeth, late his w., and fathers and mothers; for James Venables. Mentions his s. Richard and Richard's w. Katherine and their sons Robert and Richard. Mentions da. Agnes w. of William Weston, merchant (q.v.). Exor.—John Walsh.

FORSTER, JOHN (1435-88); of Pertenhall, Beds., and Maudelyn's, Herts.; lawyer; of the Household 1465-83; steward of St. Albans Abbey 1471-83. M.P. HERTFORDSHIRE 1472-5, (? 1483 Jan.).

From Yorkshire, perhaps s. of a problematical "Sir John Forester";⁵ m. Jane, widow perhaps of Richard Westby,⁶ a relation perhaps of John Morton, archbp. and cardinal, and a co-heiress.⁷

He was owed money in Hunts., 1457; receiver general to Queen Elizabeth, 1465;⁸ J.P. Hunts., of the quorum, 25 July 1466 to 1470, 1471-5; sheriff,

¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. Nos. 413, 414. ² *Inq. p.m.* Jane Forster, 10 Hen. VII.

³ Pardon Roll, 1457—of Bristol, merchant, *alias* late owner and master of *le Christopher* of Bristol (m.16). ⁴ *Ex inf.* Mr. Leighton.

⁵ Q. Margaret of Anjou wrote reproving "Sir John Forester" for interfering with her tenants at Hertingfordbury, Herts., c. 1455 (*Letters of Margt. of Anjou*, 126).

⁶ Mich. 1489. Edward Benstede v. Wm. Westby *re* lands in St. Albans, Sandridge, etc. which Forster, Joh. Sturgeon (q.v.), Joh. Felde esq. and Thos. Holbeche, gent., feoffees, confirmed by deed to Wm. Westby for life, remainder to Jane wife of Thos. Hoo of Waldon Abbots, Herts., gent., late wife of Robert Westby, remainder to Margt. da. of said Robt. Westby and Jane (*Herts., Gen. & Antiq.* i. p. 2).

⁷ In pursuance of the will of John Forster, Thos. Holbeche conveyed his interest in Maudelyn's manor, Northchurch, to feoffees, 1483—and the feoffees included Thos. Scott (*alias* Rotherham) (q.v.) archbp. of York, and John Morton, bp. of Ely (Harl. Chart. 51 F. 35). After the troubles of 1483-5—in 1487 and once more in possession of Maudelyn's etc., Forster vested it again in new feoffees for his will—John Morton, archbp. of Canterbury, Robert Morton, bp. of Worcester, and örs., and immediately afterwards bequeathed it to Robert son of Robert Morton and heirs of his body, remainder to Agnes Forster da. of Robt. Forster, bro. of John the testator; and, on the death of John Forster, Robt. Morton and Agnes his wife became possessed of it (*Herts. Gen. & Antiq.* i).

⁸ He wrote the account book from which so many facts about her household are known (Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 378); shipped 300 cloths from Sandwich by the King's writ, 1465 (*ibid.* II. 407), and not on his own account.

Hunts. and Cambs., 1466-7; Beds. and Bucks., 1467-8; still of the Household 1468;¹ on Hunts. comns. from Feb. 1470; pardoned 1469, being then of Pertenhall and London, and 10 Jan. 1472, then of Maudelyn's, Herts., also.² He had moved to Herts., acquired Welde Hall from Henry Frowick (*q.v.*),³ and was made steward of the abbey of St. Albans;⁴ J.P. Herts., of the quorum, 12 July 1473 to 26 July 1483, and 20 Sept. 1485 till death; on Herts. comns. from 1472. He was usher of the chamber and at the Marshalsea, 13 Dec. 1472 (while M.P.);⁵ sailed as Provost-Marshal of the army on the French expedition, 1475;⁶ was granted the bailiwy of Ross in Holderness when Clarence fell, 1478; advanced from yeoman of the chamber to yeoman of the Crown, Aug. 1480;⁷ pardoned, Feb. 1481, being then Marshal of the Marshalsea of the Household.⁸

Forster seems to have been Lord Hastings' servant. In Feb. 1483, at Forster's request, the St. Albans stewardship was transferred to Lord Hastings;⁹ on 12 June Lord Hastings was beheaded; on 13 June (or 14th) this grant was annulled and Forster committed to the Tower by order of Richard of Gloucester.¹⁰ He was seized at Welde Hall by servants of the Duke, taken to the Tower, imprisoned with irons and fetters for forty weeks, kept without food for the first forty-eight hours, "like to have perished"—so that to get out of prison he had to grant to "*persons named*" by Richard III the manor of Maudelyn; so he petitioned in the 1485 Parlt. for the annulment, and his appeal was allowed.¹¹ The person named was Robert Brackenbury, constable of the Tower, and Catesby had got the stewardship of St. Albans.¹² Forster flourished again under Henry VII in association with the Mortons;¹³ pardoned, 8 May 1488,¹⁴ and died that year, apparently without issue.

FORSTER, RICHARD (1400-80); of Bristol, draper. M.P. Bristol 1445-6.

As Richard Forster of Publow, Som., he was feoffee of Bristol land, 1431.¹⁵ Bailiff of Bristol 1429-30; sheriff 1433-4; mayor 1436-7, 1446-7, 1447-8. A tenement of his in Bristol is mentioned in the will of Nicholas Excestre, in 1434, and another tenement in Lewins Mead in a later will, 1436; pardoned, as "of

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1468), 283, 546.

² Pardon Roll, 10 Jan. 1472 — of London, esq., *alias* of Pertenhall, Beds., esq., *alias* of Maudelyns, Herts., esq., late sheriff of Beds. and Bucks.

³ For the use of John Forster one of the Ushers of the Chamber (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1483, p. 374). To deliver the Abbots gaol . . . according to the grant of Edward IV the steward is to be Justice of Gaol delivery together with one or two learned in the law of which he is one himself (*Regr. of Whetehamstede*, ii. 127).

⁴ *Regr. of Whetehamstede*, ii. 113. In 1474 the abbot granted him six wild beasts called fallow-deer (*ibid.* ii. 115-7). In 1475, at the instance of John Forster, steward, a serf is manumitted at Codicot, Herts. (*ibid.* ii. 119).

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1472), 367.

⁶ *Foedera*, V. iii. 57; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1476), 591. ⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1480), 212, 221.

⁸ Late of Southwark esq., Marshal of the Marshalsea of the Household, *alias* late of London, gent., *alias* late of Welde, Herts. (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1481), 233).

⁹ *Regr. of Whetehamstede*, ii. 255-7.

¹⁰ *ibid.* ii. 265-6.

¹¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 332-3.

¹² Feet of Fines, Herts., 2 Ric. III, No. 7.

¹³ John Forster and Robert Morton had custody of Bushey (Palmer's Index to the Fine Rolls).

¹⁴ Pardon Roll, 1488—late of Southwark esq., Marshal of the Marshalsea of Edw. IV, *alias* late of London, gent., *alias* late of Welde, Herts., esq. ¹⁵ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 162.

Bristol, merchant, *alias* late of Publow, Som., draper, *alias* of Staunton Drews, draper," 7 July 1437. Before 1471 he had built and endowed almshouses in Bristol at Redclyfyate.¹ Pardoned, as "late of Sodbury, Glos., senior, esq., *alias* late of London," 22 Nov. 1481.

Dead by Feb. 1487, when Richard, s. and h. of Richard Forster, late of Sodbury, Glos., and of Bristol, senior, merchant, was on the Pardon Roll. See also John Forster, M.P. Bristol 1435-92.

FORSTER, RICHARD (1420-95); of Bray and Binfield, Berks.; lawyer. Keeper of Cookham and Bray 1461-95. M.P. Windsor 1449-50, 1450-1, 1453-4. Yorkist.

S. of Thomas Forster of Kingston, Surrey; *m.* Margaret.

He was made clerk to the Justices of the Forests this side Trent, May 1453; pardoned 5 May 1458;² on gaol delivery comn. at Windsor, Feb. 1459; and with Piers Beaupie (*q.v.*), for good service to the King and his father, he was made keeper of Cookham and Bray in Windsor forest, Dec. 1461.³ He evidently lived at Windsor at this time, for he got into trouble about a stray horse at Windsor Castle in 1461/5.⁴ He accounts for Stretton, Rutland, and Holywell, Lincs., 1466-71;⁵ on comns. in Sussex, Feb. 1470, and in Kent 1471; pardoned 2 Sept. 1472.⁶

D. 1495; will, as of Kingston-on-Thames, dat. 12 Apr., pr. 15 June 1495. He mentions his father Thomas, and his wife Margaret, who was his executrix (P.C.C., 28 Vox).

FORSTER (FOSTER), RICHARD (1435-85); of Stamford. M.P. Stamford 1467-8, (? 1470-1), 1472-5, 1478, 1483 (1), 1483 (2), 1484.

Apptd. deputy Butler of Boston, 1476.

FORSTER, ROBERT (1425-85); of Enfield, Mdsx.; lawyer; of the Exchequer. King's Stationer 1461-83. M.P. Calne 1459; East Grinstead 1472-5.

Probably the Calne M.P. was the sheriff's attorney to receive writs in Cumbd., 1450.⁷ The same man, as treasurer of the East March, sued Richard Alanson (*q.v.*), clerk to Marmaduke, late bp. of Lincoln, for tallies and evidences delivered to the bishop by John Lymaton (*q.v.*), late treasurer, 1450/3;⁸ and was employed at the Exchequer, 1458.⁹ Perhaps the same Robert Forster, being citizen and stationer of London, was made "King's Stationer" with fees and robes, 2 Nov. 1461.¹⁰ J.P. Mdsx., of the quorum, 10 Nov. 1475 till death; on Mdsx. comns. 1482, Aug. 1483, Dec. 1484; one of the exors. for Laurence Booth, archbp. of York, Dec. 1481, and for Sir John Elrington (*q.v.*) in 1482; pardoned, 11 Mar.

¹ *Bristol Wills*. edn. Wadley, p. 145.

² As "of Houghton, Sussex, esq., late of Benfield, Berks., gent." (m.15)

³ John Mounter sued him for lands in Bray, 1467/72 (*Early Chan. Proc.* 111/292).

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/452.

⁵ *Enr. Accts.* F. 12 Edw. IV. D.

⁶ As "late of Bray, Berks., esq., *alias* of Bynfeld, Berks., gent., *alias* of Houghton, Sussex" (m.19). ⁷ Plea Rolls, K.B., Easter 28 Hen. VI. ⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 19/350.

⁹ Issue Roll, Mich. 37 Hen. VI, No. 817.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1461), 49.

1484, "of London, gent., *alias* late of Isledon, Mdsx., *alias* late J.P. Mdsx." The J.P. died 13 May 1485, when John Forster the yr., aged 15, was his s. and h.; lands—Mdsx. Will, dat. 12 Dec. 1479, no date of proof.¹ Obviously we may have here three of the same name.

FORSTER, THOMAS (1420-67); of Canterbury. M.P. Canterbury 1459. Lancastrian.

S. of John Forster of Tong, Salop, by Eliz. Blakeway of Berrington, Salop.² In 1443 Thos. Forster and Christine his wife, da. of Wm. Collyns, inherited land at Reculver under the will of John Stace.³ In 1460 Thos. Foster esq. was paid 4s. 4d. for "gonnepowder" from the Canterbury cofferer's accounts.⁴ He was a feoffee of Sir Thos. Browne (*q.v.*), who was attainted 1461; mayor of Canterbury, 1463.⁵

D. 1467; will, dat. Easter 1459 and 18 Nov. 1467, pr. at Canterbury, 24 Jan. 1468.⁶

FORSTER, WILLIAM (1390-1442/3); of Scarborough. M.P. Scarborough 1419, 1421 (Dec.), 1422, 1423, 1427, 1429-30, 1431, 1435, 1442.

As "of Scarborough" he entered into a recognisance of £100 with the King, 3 Dec. 1430.⁷ D. 1443/4. Will of William Forster of Scarborough,⁸ dat. 15 July 1443, pr. at York 16 Jan. 1444.

FORSTER, WILLIAM (1400-60); probably of Salisbury. M.P. Wilton 1432, 1433, 1435, 1449 (1).

One can only judge that this man was of Salisbury, because no carpet-bagger would have sat so often for this suburb of Salisbury. There was a William Forster who was trespassed against in Somerset in 1454, but the name is so common that that is no guide.

¹ To be bur. at Enfield. Bequests to churches of Berkhamstead and Hatfield. Residue to wife Jane and she exix. with Robert Cramelyn and Walter West. Codicil, dat. 14 Feb. 1483, reversion of his lands on death of wife Jane to his son and h. John and to das. Jane Stokes and Margery White (P.C.C., 22 Logge).

² *Visitn. Kent*, 1619.

³ *Arch. Cant.* xxxii. 141.

⁴ *Hist. MSS. Comm.*, IX. i. Canterbury MSS.

⁵ *Hasted, Kent*, xii. 605.

⁶ Easter 1459. To w. Alice the ho. in St. Margaret's in wh. he lives and all lands in 'Wodenesbergh' and Isle of Thanet, reversion to the child of wh. she is pregnant, remainder for souls of "my parents," *i.e.* Wm. Colyns, John Stace (*q.v.*) and his mother. To das. Alice and Gerentina by his wife Christine da. of Wm. Colyns all lands formerly Wm.'s. After his wife Alice's death Alice and Gerentine to have Thanet lands formerly of John Stace.

Nov. 1467. Da. Alice to have "Potenstrete" in Thanet on her marriage, reversion after wife Alice's death to his sons John, Edmund and William equally. Other Thanet lands to revert on his wife's death to da. Alice. Canterbury lands to revert to his sons, also "Wyndesborowe"—Alice his w. having consented. All children including further das. Jane and Anne and his wife's da. Jane Bonnyngton to have silver cups etc. To John Forster, "my father," 40s.; sis. Katheryn 40s. etc. Exors.—John Winter (*q.v.*), wife Alice, Mr. Edmund Hovyngdon (Cant. Prob. Reg. C. i. ff. 84v-86v).

⁷ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1430), 105.

⁸ The will of John Danby, pr. in 1485, he being a parson in York Minster, provides for masses for the souls of Agnes, his grandmother, and William Forster, her son. This may be the Member for Scarborough (*Test. Ebor.* iii. 117).

FORTESCU, Sir JOHN (1440-1500); of Ponsbourne. Squire and knight of the Body 1476-1500; porter of Calais 1483-4; chief butler 1485-1500; lawyer. M.P. HERTFORDSHIRE 1491-2.

Nephew of the Chief Justice and yr.¹ s. of Richard Fortescu, killed at St. Albans 1455, by Agnes da. of Richard Holcombe. M. Alice sis. of Sir Thomas Montgomery M.P.² and/or (1) 1472/3 Alice da. of Sir Geoffrey Boleyn M.P., (2) Elizabeth widow of Sir William Calthorpe M.P. (d. 1494), and da. and coh. of Sir Miles Stapleton (q.v.) d. 1466.³

Sheriff, Cornwall, Mich. 1470-76;⁴ admtd. to Lincoln's Inn being then squire of the Body, 23 July 1476;⁵ succeeded to manors of Gascelyn's and Ponsbourne in Hatfield which had been acquired by his uncle Sir John, the chief justice; J.P. Herts., 18 June 1477 till sheriff 1481, and 20 Sept. till sheriff Nov. 1485, and 10 Feb. 1487 till death; sheriff, Essex and Herts., 1481-2, 1485-6; porter of Calais 1483-4; apptd. by Richard III to treat with the French ambassadors, 16 July 1483;⁶ pardoned, 25 Feb. 1484;⁷ re-apptd. as esq. of the body to Richard III, Mar. 1484;⁸ joined Henry Tudor, perhaps from Calais with Sir James Blount and the Earl of Oxford; kntd. 12/20 Sept. 1485; made knt. of the Body, sheriff, lieut. of the tower of Rysbank in Calais, master of Enfield chase, and Chief Butler of England,⁹ Aug.-Sept. 1485; and these offices were all exempted in 1485 and 1487;¹⁰ the King interfered to try to stop his private affrays with Sir William Say—the war between Ponsbourne and Broxbourne—Feb.-Mar. 1486;¹¹ banneret at Stoke, 1487; to muster the force for Brittany, 28 Feb. 1489; at the meeting with the French ambassador, 1492; at York's creation 1494; at the Archduke's reception 1500.

D. 28 July 1500, when John, aged 21, was s. and h. of lands in Herts.¹²

FORTESCUE, RICHARD (1425-80); of Hollacombe, Devon. M.P. Plympton 1449 (1); probably also in 1470-1.

Eldest s. and h. of Richard Fortescue (killed at St. Albans, 1455), by Agnes da. of Richard Holcombe; therefore nephew of the Lord Chief Justice Fortescue, who had been M.P. for Plympton.¹²

About 1457 William Ritte and Isabel his wife and John their son sued Agnes, late the wife of Richard Fortescue esq., and Richard her son in connection with lands in Hollacombe and Plympton.¹³ In 1462 there was a quarrel between Richard Fortescue and Thomas Stonor of Ermington, which is recorded in the *Stonor Letters*; and in Jan. 1471 Fortescue was pardoned, as "of Holecomb, Devon,

¹ His elder bro. Richard Fortescu jun. was M.P. Plympton 1449 (1).

² *Letters of Margt. of Anjou*, 105.

³ *Comp. Peer.* vii. 64.

⁴ That he was the same as the John Fortescu of Devon and Cornwall is shown by his pardon on the roll of 1484—of St. Clement Danes, esq., *alias* of Punisborn, Herts., *alias* late sheriff of Essex, Herts., and Cornwall, *alias* Porter of Calais (m.10).

⁵ *Black Bks. of Lincoln's Inn*, 60.

⁶ *Foedera*, V. iii. 134.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 379.

⁸ He accounts as Chief Butler of England 1-15 Hen. VII (*Exchq. Accts.*).

⁹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 377b. 407.

¹⁰ Pollard, *Matl. Illus. of reign of Henry VII*, ii. 78; Ellis, *Letters*, 1st Ser. i. 40.

¹¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 392. This son John was pardoned—of Punsbourne—1509, and d. 1517/8.

¹² *Stonor Letters*, i. 36; Vivian, *Cornwall*, 334.

¹³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/565.

gent., *alias* of Ermyngton, *alias* of London." This date, and this description, and his relationship to the old Lancastrian Chief Justice, make it extremely likely that he sat in the 1470-1 Parliament. If he did, he came to no harm, for he was on a Devon comn. in July 1473.

D. 27 Feb. 1480, when Anne, aged 32, wife of John Moyle, was his da. and h. Lands—Hollacombe, Devon. His settled estates probably passed to his yr. bro., Sir John Fortescue, M.P. for Herts.

FORTHE see FORD, JOHN.

FOSTER see FORSTER.

FOWELL (FOLE, VOULE), WILLIAM (1435-97); of Ugborough, Devon. Lawyer. M.P. Totnes 1455-6.

John Vowel occurs in Dartmouth in 1423. In 1457/60 William was feoffee of lands in Trethewy, Cornwall;¹ in 1464 feoffee for Nicholas Stebbing (*q.v.*) in Dartmouth; in 1467/72, as "of Ugborough, Devon", for Henry Drewe in Polkeston, Devon.² He was on comns. in Devon in 1472, 1473, and 1474, and was pardoned as "of Langford-Lester, Devon, gent., *alias* of Fouhellystombe, Devon, *alias* of Uggeburgh, Devon, gent., *alias* late of London, gent." (m.30). His description as "gent." and "late of London" are evidence of his law, but his will is conclusive.

D. 1497; will, dat. 2 Feb., pr. 29 Feb. 1497. William Fowell, bachelor of both laws. To be bur. at Exeter. Bequests to Exeter cathedral, to bros. John, Henry and Richard, and to Mistress Blanche w. of his bro. Richard, and to his sis. Margaret. Residue to Master Simon Putwell and Master Roger Demoile, and they exors.³

FOWKEY (FOKE), John; of Barnstaple. M.P. Barnstaple 1478.

Nothing known of him locally, but a John Foke was M.P. Barnstaple in 1378 and 1380, and the surname Fouky, sometimes Touky, is common in Barnstaple in the 14th century.

FOWLER, RICHARD (1425-77);⁴ of Rycote; Lawyer of the Temple. Solicitor for the King 1461-70; Chancellor of the Exchequer 1469-71; Chancellor of the Duchy 1471-7; Under Treasurer of England 1471-7. M.P. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 1467-8, etc.

S. of William Fowler, M.P. Wycombe 1431, by Cecily sis. of Sybil Quartermaine (*q.v.*) and of Isabel Boteler, all das. and cohs. of Nicholas Englefield of Rycote, clerk of the Green Cloth. M. his cousin Jane da. of John Danvers and great-niece of Richard Quartermaine (*q.v.*).

J.P. Bucks., of the quorum, 7 July 1458 to 28 Dec. 1470, 12 July 1471 till death; J.P. Berks., of the quorum, 20 Nov. 1458 to 11 Dec. 1459. Apptd. Solicitor for the King, 12 Mar. 1461, with £20 yearly out of the Duchy of Cornwall; receiver of Earl Shrewsbury's lands, 9 Sept. 1461; and steward of Aylesbury,

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/178.

² *ibid.* 44/49.

³ P.C.C., 8 Horne.

⁴ He seals, with a wolf's head erased, a feofment of Chalgrove, 28 June 1449 (*Misc. Gen. & Her.* iii. 345).

with the forfeited lands of the Earl of Wilts., 4 Feb. 1462. On N'hants. comms. 1461-5, Bucks. comms. from 1467, Berks. and Oxon. comms. from 1471. Exempted from resumption as King's Solicitor and steward of Warwick 1461, 1464, 1467.¹ In 1466 he had the next prebend at Bridgnorth; in 1468 he had custody of the lands and h. of William Brightwell in Bucks.; pardoned, 25 July 1468, "late of Buckingham, *alias* late of North Weston, Oxon., *alias* receiver genl. of Earl of Salisbury, *alias* late of London, gent. (m.30)".

He was Chancellor of the Exchequer, 8 Apr. 1469 to 11 Aug. 1471, when succeeded by Thomas Thwaites (*q.v.*). On 31 Jan. 1470 Richard Page succeeded him as King's Solicitor. Pardoned, 20 Dec. 1470, "late of Northweston, Oxon., gent., *alias* of Buckingham, *alias* of Westminster, gent.," and again, by Edward, 12 Feb. 1472, "gent. *alias* of Northweston, Bucks., gent., *alias* late receiver genl. of Earl of Shrewsbury's lands." He may have been made Chancellor of the Duchy and Under-Treasurer when he ceased to be Chancellor of the Exchequer—certainly he held the Duchy office in 1473 when he founded a guild at Leighton Buzzard. A Councillor and tutor to the Prince of Wales 1473; and the King's Counsellors, Richard Quartermaine and Fowler, the Chancellor of the Duchy, were made joint stewards of Woodstock 16 Feb. 1474. "Our well beloved counsellor Richard Fowler" was exempted from resumption in 1472.² One of the King's feoffees in England when Edward went to France, 1475,³ and put on "our great council of England."⁴ In Aug. 1474 all arrears were pardoned to the Earl of Essex, Treasurer, and to Richard Fowler, the Chancellor of the Duchy, his deputy; and again 20 June 1475 (when Essex is described as Treasurer of England, *alias* Treasurer of the Exchequer) and Richard Fowler as his clerk.⁵ Fowler must have been Under-Treasurer *alias* clerk, 1471-7, in succession to John Roger (*q.v.*).

D. 3 Nov. 1477, when Richard, aged 11, was his s. and h. Lands—Notts., Oxon., Bucks. His Notts. lands were in Sutton-on-Trent, and were granted to William Mering (*q.v.*) during the minority of the heir. Will of Richard Fowler, Chancellor of the Duchy and of Buckingham town, dat. 1 Nov., pr. 19 Nov. 1477.⁶ His son Richard was also M.P. His wife Jane survived him and was petitioning in 1485 for Wilbraham, Cambs., and Halton, Oxon., which she had had from her uncle Richard Quartermaine (*q.v.*)⁷

FOWLER, RICHARD (1466-1502); of Rycote. M.P. OXFORDSHIRE 1495.

S. and h. of Richard Fowler of same M.P. (1425-77) by Jane (Danvers).

Being a minor when his father died, his lands and custody were granted—first to William Mering (*q.v.*) and Thomas Stanhope of Notts., and then to William,

¹ *Rot. Parl.* v. pp. 474, 530, 588, 591.

² *ibid.* vi. 82.

³ *ibid.* 122.

⁴ Scofield, *Edw. IV*, ii. 125.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1475), 531.

⁶ To be bur. at Buckingham. Bequests to St. Paul's cathedral, to the Master of the Temple, to Thame church, to St. Margaret's, Westminster. Bequests to w. Jane, s. Richard, aunt Sybil Quatremayne, da. Sybil Chamberlain, sis. Alice Rokes. His da. Jane to marry Edward Shalling his ward. Priest to sing in St. Dunstan's chapel, Westminster Abbey, where his father is bur. He releases the debts of his brother Thomas. Exors. :—William, bishop of Durham, William, lord Hastings, Mr. John Morton, clerk of the robes, and his w. Jane and Henry Davies, citizen of London (P.C.C., 32 Wattys).

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 307.

bp. of Durham, Lord Hastings, Morton, the Keeper of the Rolls, and Jane his mother.¹ The King stayed "at Fowlers", 15 Jan. 1494, going from Wycombe to Woodstock, and again on his return, 23 Jan.;² M.P. for Oxon. or Bucks. in 1495; J.P. Bucks., 1 Aug. 1497 till death; on Oxford comns. 1501 and Jan. 1502.

Dead by 20 Nov. 1502,³ leaving s. and h. Richard, a minor who had licence of entry, Nov. 1505.⁴ Besides Rycote these Fowlers held land in Bucks. and Notts. He inherited Shirburn castle at Quartermaine's death, but did not reside there. It was occupied by his relations, the Chamberlain family, to whom his son sold it in 1527.⁵

FWLER, THOMAS (1435-95/6); stockfishmonger of London; alderman of Oxford; steward of Buckingham, gent.; parker of Beckley, Oxon.; yeoman of crown 1472-5; Squire of Body 1475-85; customer of Lynn 1476-83. M.P. Wycombe 1472-5; BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 1478, (? 1484), 1495.

Yr. s. of William Fowler, M.P. Wycombe 1431-2, by Cecily da. and coh. of Nicholas Englefield of Rycote, and yr. bro. of Richard Fowler, M.P., Chancellor of the Duchy.⁶ M. (1) Margery Colville, or Mary da. of Edward Lee⁷ and (2) c. 1483, Alice widow of John Hulcote of Bradden and Wavendon, Bucks., and servant to Queen Elizabeth Wydevile.⁸

J.P. Oxford town 1461; shortly after elected alderman; on Bucks. comns. from Apr. 1461, including all those of 1483-4 and the subsidy comn. of Jan. 1488, but not the Readeption comns.; elector, Bucks., 1467, when his bro. was elected; should have gone victualling to Calais, being "fishmonger", but tarried in London and his letters of protection revoked, 5 Aug. 1468;⁹ his arrest as a Yorkist in Herts. was ordered, 17 Dec. 1470; pardoned, 28 Apr. 1472,¹⁰ and by then yeoman of the Crown;¹¹ J.P. Bucks., of the quorum, 1 June 1473 to 1485, and 19 Aug. 1487 till death; on the King's expedition to France with 20 archers, 1475, being "esq. of the chamber of the Household";¹² rewarded with a custody, and made customer of Lynn, 1476, with licence to sell goods abroad, 1482;¹³ sheriff, Bucks. and Beds., 1478-9. Just after he married the Queen's servant—on 16 June 1483—the infant Duke of York was surrendered by the Queen to the Protector Richard of Gloucester; on 6 June 1483 Gloucester, then Protector, granted to Fowler and his wife Wavendon, Bucks.; in Nov. 1483 Fowler, still usher of the Chamber, was made steward of Buckingham in place of the Duke of Buckingham; in Mar. 1484 Mistress Alice Fowler had confirmed to her a £10 pension granted to her in 1474; the usher of the chamber was made sheriff again 1483-4; pardoned with his wife, Mar.-Apr. 1484;¹⁴ parker of Beckley, Oxon., 8 Apr. 1484, and advanced to

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1478), 99.

² *Excerpta Historica*, 96.

³ To judge from his comns.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1505), 482.

⁵ *Ex inf.* Dr. Salter.

⁶ *Beds. Visitn.* 30.

⁷ *Salop Visitn.* 189.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1483) 351-2; (1484) 383, 429.

⁹ He is described as cit. and fishmonger of London, alderman of Oxford, of Buckingham, and of Oxford, gent. (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1468, 96).

¹⁰ Pardon Roll, 1472—late of London, stockfishmonger, late of Oxford, alderman, *alias* of Buckingham, gent., *alias* of Beckley, gent. (m.24).

¹¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 16.

¹² *Foedera*.

¹³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1482), 252.

¹⁴ Pardon Roll, 6 Mar. 1484, Alice wife of Thomas Fowler esq., *alias* late wife of John Hulcotes, late of Braddon, N'hants., esq. and his exix. (m.20). Pardon Roll, 5 Apr. 1484—Thomas Fowler esq., *alias* of Buckingham, *alias* late sheriff of Beds. and Bucks. (m.20).

Squire of the Body,¹ also eschr. Oxon. and Berks. These perquisites of ex-servants of Edward's family may well engender suspicion of the Fowlers. Though removed temporarily from the bench and relieved of the Beckley stewardship, he was pardoned 4 Oct. 1485² and 1486,³ and sheriff once more 1487-8, M.P. again 1495, and died 1495/6.⁴ We think that there is no doubt that this many-sided man was all one person, and he the ancestor of the Fowlers of Pendeford, Staffs.⁵

FRAMLINGHAM, JOHN (1410-65); of Debenham, Suffolk. M.P. Gatton 1453-4. Lancastrian.

Son of John Framlingham (dead in 1433).

In 1433 he held of the duke of Norfolk 1/6th of a Knt.'s fee in Framlingham for 41s. 8d. formerly held by Thomas Ketilbor;⁶ that same year Aleyn brother of Thomas Martin sued John son of John Framlingham for money and lands due to Elizabeth da. of John the elder, deceased, and late wife of Thomas Martin.⁷ A fine of 1446 shows that he married Margery da. and h. of William Waller of Howes, Suffolk,⁸ and that he was in trouble with the retainers of the Marquess of Suffolk. He was a Suffolk elector in 1450, 1455 with his son John junior, and 1459. He was pardoned all treasons as "of Debenham, Suffolk, esq." on 3 Apr. 1453, after election for Gatton; and again, with the Lancastrians, 12 Nov. 1455, as "late of Debenham, esq., late of Baudesey, Suffolk" (m.18). Yet in 1454 Sir John Wingfield (*q.v.*), as sheriff of Suffolk, was ordered to arrest John "Framynham" and bring him "*coram rege*" to satisfy the King concerning a trespass done to Thomas, lord Scales. Not only did Wingfield fail to produce Framyngham, but he was distrained year by year for his failure to do so until his (Wingfield's) death in 1481. Then his widow continued the liability for these small sums until 1490 when she pleaded a pardon of Richard III for the prisoner's escape in that reign.⁹ If this is our John Framlingham, then pardon, escape and prisoner must all have been fictitious (which is not unlikely), as Framlingham was certainly dead by 1474, probably by 1467 since he was not then an elector. His son John was born *c.* 1435 and *d.* 1497 leaving a son James aged 30. So it is not likely that John III spent 1454-84 in prison either.

FRAMPTON, JOHN (1415-74); of Chalford, Glos. King's flêcher; Usher of Parliament 1454-62; Clerk of Windsor Castle 1470. M.P. Guildford 1450-1; Guildford and Windsor 1459; Windsor 1460-1.

Perhaps s. of that John Frampton who, with Jane his wife, da. and h. of Edmund Marshall, was suing for land in Somerley, Hants, 1436.¹⁰ Or bro. of

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 391.

² Of Buckingham, London, and Braden, N'hants., esq. or gent. (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1485, 12).

³ Pardon Roll, 1 Apr. 1486, late of Buckingham esq., *alias* late eschr. in Ox. and Berks., *alias* late sheriff of Beds. and Bucks. (m.15).

⁴ Dr. Salter writes:—"It is a curious case. Other outsiders who were elected burgesses of Oxford required to be elected freemen first; but Fowler alone was elected alderman. It was *per saltum*; he did not serve as bailiff. He was, I think, alderman only for one year, and possibly he soon moved to London."

⁵ W. Fowler Carter, in *Misc. Gen. & Her.* iii. 347.

⁶ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1433), 209.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 12/25 and 38/200.

⁸ *ibid.* 16/166.

⁹ *Bulletin, Inst. Histl. Research*, xiii. No. 39, p.147.

¹⁰ *Geneal. N.S.* xviii. 28.

William (*q.v.*), or/and came from Glos., since he confirmed lands in Bisley, Glos., to Thomas Mill (*q.v.*) in 1441.¹ John senior and junior were electors, Dorset, 1432, 1437.

As flêcher and bolt maker he was apptd. 6 Mar. 1440 to make, mend, and have charge of arrows and similar stores in the Tower of London at 6*d.* a day.² Sworn into the Flêchers' Company in London, 1442;³ comnd. to take material for making arrows, and men to make them, 1450; "King's fletcher", July 1449.² John Frampton and Richard Baron (*q.v.*) were ushers of the Parlt. Chamber and of the Great Council, Mar. 1454 to 1462;² as such they had livery of clothes in 1455, 1458 and 1461;⁴ a Surrey elector, 1467. A Chertsey perambulation at Pentecost, 1470, describes as present John Frampton, clerk of the castle of Windsor.⁵ Other M.P.s combined Windsor and Guildford; and the Usher of the Parlt. Chamber would in those days be quite willing to sit, and a likely choice by a harassed Chancery. It is likely that he was the man recently dead in July 1474, seised of Chalford, Glos.⁶

FRAMPTON, WILLIAM (1410-74); of Moreton, Dorset; lawyer. M.P. Dorchester 1431; Weymouth 1433; Dorchester 1449-50.

Perhaps s. of John Frampton, M.P. Lyme Regis 1427, and frequently an elector in Dorchester. Perhaps bro. of John Frampton M.P.

An elector for Dorset and often for Dorchester also in 1449 (1), 1450, 1453, 1455, 1460, 1467 and 1472. J.P. Dorset, of the quorum, 31 Oct. 1472 till death; and on a Dorset comm. 1473.

D., to judge from his J.P.ships, between 15 July 1474 and 10 Nov. 1475. It will be his son, William Frampton, who *d.* 1494, leaving a son John, aged 30.

FRANCIS (FRAUNCEYS), HENRY (1420-75); of Maidenhead. M.P. Guildford 1449 (1); Windsor 1449-50, 1467-8.

Perhaps s. of Henry Francis of Somerset, tenant in chief (*d.* 1456).⁷ Henry Fraunceys of Maidenhead, Berks., gent.,⁸ mainperned John Jewe for the keeping of Sevenhampton-Denys, 1443. He appears in various fines relating to property in Guildford in 1449 and 1451; founded a Guild for the repair of Maidenhead Bridge, 1452; and as "Henry Francis of Maidenhead, gent.", was pardoned outlawry for not appearing in a plea of debt, 1453; the Dean and Canons of St. George's chapel, Windsor, sued John Brown and Henry Francis as feoffees of Richard Smith of New Windsor for the manor of Amerys, Berks., 1457/60.⁹ As Henry Francis, "late of New Windsor", he was indicted before the King's Bench, 1465.¹⁰

The close connection, referred to elsewhere, between the boroughs of Guildford and Windsor makes it clear that the Member for these two boroughs was identical. But whether Henry Francis was of Maidenhead or of New Windsor is not so clear.

FRANINGHAM see FRENINGHAM.

¹ *Bristol & Glos., A. S. Trans.* 51. p. 214.

³ *Letter Book K.* p. 257.

⁵ *Surrey Rec. Soc.*, Chertsey Cart., 128.

⁷ *Fine Roll*, 35 Hen. VI (m.23).

⁹ *Anc. Indicts. K.B.* 9/314.

² *Issue Rolls, passim.*

⁴ *Exchq. Accts.* 361/6.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1474), 453.

⁸ *ibid.* 21 Hen. VI (m.13).

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/335; 15/57.

FRANK, EDMUND¹ (1460-1523); of Francks in Fairlight (Hastings).
M.P. Hastings 1485-6.

S. of Edmund Franck of same by Anne or Jane, da. and h. of William Flower of Hastings; *m.* Agnes, da. and coh. of John Denever.² He was bailiff of Hastings 1504, 1508, 1509, 1521. *D.* 1523; will, as of St. Clements, Hastings, dat. 20 May, pr. 26 May 1523.³

FRANK, RICHARD (1400-55); ald. of Lynn, merchant. M.P. Lynn
1435, 1442, 1447, 1449 (1).

Perhaps s. of Philip Frank, M.P. Lynn, 1411-1427.

He was a feoffee of property in Lynn in 1433 and elsewhere in Norfolk in 1434; sworn to the peace in Norfolk, 1434;⁴ alderman in 1440; J.P. Lynn, 4 July 1444 onwards; pardoned outlawry, 1448; mayor of Lynn 1449-50; last mentioned May 1452, when he was owed 20 marks in London. A new way in which a merchant might go in a wrong direction is indicated by a chancery suit concerning Frank of date 1433/4; the owner of the "*Gost of Lynn*" sued Richard Frank, merchant of Lynn, and the master of the "*Gost*" for conspiring together to retain the master to navigate her in a wrong direction.⁵

FRAUNCEYS see FRANCIS.

FREEMAN, RICHARD (1430-1504); of Salisbury, mercer. M.P.
Salisbury 1463-5.

Probably s. of Thomas Freeman of the same, M.P. (1395-1473).

He had a tenement in Castle street and other house property in 1455. Richard Freeman, late of Salisbury, mercer, owed a goldsmith of London £21 and was pardoned outlawry, 1459. Comnr. of oyer, Wilts., 1462; elector, Wilts., 1467. In 1478 Richard Freeman, late of Salisbury, esq., sued John Halle for the non-fulfilment of a contract to deliver wine, "black chalk", and other goods.⁶ They were a burgess family of substance.⁷

D. 1504. Will of Richard Freeman esq., dat. 9 Sept., pr. 12 Nov. 1504. To be bur. in St. Edmunds, Salisbury, next to his wife and near his parents. Bequest to John Redberd "myn eldest doughters sone" of his capital place. Bequests to das. Alice, Agnes, Kateryn and Jane. Exors. :—his da. Jane, and William Strowde her father-in-law, supervisor.⁸

FREEMAN (FREMAN), THOMAS (1395-1473); of Salisbury, mercer; customer. M.P. Salisbury 1432, 1442; Calne 1447; Westbury 1449 (1); Old Sarum 1449-50; Salisbury 1450-1; Old Sarum 1453-4, 1455-6.

Constable of Salisbury 1424; mayor 1426-7; elector in Wilts., 1449 (2). In 1426 a dispute between him and the then mayor of Salisbury was settled—Freeman was to pay the mayor a "jupa" of red wine and to receive his pardon. He was

¹ Not Edward Frank of Richmondshire.

² Berry, *Sussex Genealogies*, annotated by C. R. Attlee, R.E.

³ P.C.C., 8 Bodfelde.

⁴ Richard Frank, with Margaret Frank, widow, was a feoffee of Wellehall, Norfolk, Jan. 1440.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 45/330.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 67/1111.

⁷ Recd. of Richard Freeman for the sepulture of Kath. Powey 5s. 8d. 1491/2; *ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

⁸ P.C.C., 20 Holgrave.

engaged as a defendant in a maritime case, as of Salisbury, merchant, in 1435; apptd. controller of customs in Southampton in May 1438 and was pardoned in 1440 for having occupied the said office by deputy, contrary to the statute—and for having disobeyed the King's commands not to meddle further with the said office, he is to deliver up the part of the coket seal in his possession. Freeman was engaged continually in litigation from 1426 to 1441, and is as frequently owed money. He had Letters of Protection for going with John, duke of Somerset, overseas as victualler of his force, June 1442; but the Letters were revoked in June 1443, because he tarried in Westminster. In 1446 he sued Stephen Wylton, King's comnr., for restitution of his goods seized at Nieupoort in Flanders after the Convention of Arras. He was constantly abroad in these years, both trading and victualling the forces, for his Letters were again revoked in July 1447. He was suing a draper of Salisbury for debt in 1457, is still found witnessing a deed in the Tropenell Cartulary in 1465, and he must have died about 1473.¹ He is probably the father of Richard Freeman of Salisbury, M.P. in 1463.

FRENINGHAM (FRANINGHAM), JOHN (1420-75); of Canterbury; butcher.² M.P. Canterbury 1455-6, 1461-2.

Perhaps g.s. of John Freningham, M.P. Kent 1377-99.

In 1442 he was admitted a freeman of Canterbury as of the Herne family.³ In 1443/50 John Freningham *the elder* sued James Wright and others for the deception of petitioner, who was unlettered, concerning a bill of goods in a tenement in Westgate beside Canterbury.⁴ This "elder" may be a more suitable father. It will be the younger who was pardoned for being out with Cade; mayor of Canterbury 1462 and 1468; was paid in 1462 for wine sold to the corporation to be given to the Earl of March, *i.e.* in June 1460.⁵ John Fremingham *alias* Freningham was exempted from all municipal office in July 1468. In 1471, after the suppression of the rising in Kent, Freningham, Hamond Bele and Thomas Atwode—Yorkists—were paid by the corporation for carrying a schedule of the names of Lancastrian citizens to London.⁶ An elector, Canterbury 1467, 1472. In 1475 he was one of those who rebuilt St. Michael's Gate, at Canterbury.⁷

D. 1475, when his will, as of St. Andrews, Canterbury, was pr. at Canterbury.² He married Jane widow of Levins.⁸

FRESHPOND, WILLIAM (1410-65); of Tavistock, Devon. M.P. Tavistock 1455-6.

Perhaps s. of William Freshpond of the same. He got land at Bowdon in Tavistock in 1439⁹ and in 1444 joined in complaint with Thomas Power of Plymouth that a vessel called *le Katherine* of Plymouth laden with their goods, was wrecked on coast of Brittany; but the goods were recovered and reladed on a vessel of Brittany, which was overtaken by Richard Harry of Plymouth and other pirates

¹ Sale of jewels of silver of the fine of the sepulture of Thomas Freman £1 14s. od. (Churchwarden's accounts [1473-4], p. 14).

² Called butcher (Cotton, *Grey Friars of Canterbury*, 89).

³ *Arch. Cant.* xxxi. p. 36.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 15/229.

⁵ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* ix. App. I. pp. 129-177.

⁶ *ibid.* p. 141.

⁷ Hasted, *Kent*, xii. p. 658.

⁸ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 410.

⁹ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

and brought to Saltash and disposed of by them. He was a feoffee of Tavistock parish lands between 1458 and 1460.¹ Freshpond granted a cottage and garden at Bowdon Hill in Aug. 1464, and he was apparently recently dead in May 1465.²

FREVILLE, WILLIAM (1415-80); of Shelford. M.P. CAMBRIDGE-SHIRE 1467-8, (? 1470-1).

S. of William Freville of Shelford, M.P. 1421 (*d. c.* 1440), by Anne da. and h. of John Wolverston;³ *m.* by 1437, Jane da. of Sir Thomas Charlton M.P.⁴

Elector, Cambs., 1455, 1472; J.P. Cambs., 7 Dec. 1462 to 10 Nov. 1475; apportioner of subsidy for Cambs., 1463;⁵ on occasional Cambs. comns. from 1468, including the Readeption and down to 1472. In 1467/72 the parish priest of Fulmer, Cambs., sued Freville as a J.P. of Cambs. for extorting from him a bond and imprisoning him.⁶ He was pardoned, 16 Oct. 1468, "of Shelforthe, Cambs., J.P." (*m.* 46) and again, 1 Dec. 1471, "of Shelforthe, Cambs., esq. *alias* gent."

One might assume that he *d.* 1472/5, but on 20 July 1480, feoffees, including William Freville esq., convey lands in Cambs. to John Thirlow, so that if this feoffee was still alive he must have died in or after 1480.

FROWICK (FROWYK), HENRY (1390-1459); ald. of London, mercer,⁷ and of South Mimms, Mdsx.,⁸ esq. M.P. London 1422, 1423-4, 1437, 1447, 1450-1.

S. of John Frowick⁹ by Jane; *m.* Isabel (*d.* 1465) widow of William Otes, mercer, by whom Frowick had Sir Thomas and Sir Henry (*qq.v.*).

Auditor, 1421-4, 1429-31; alderman, July 1424-57; master of the Mercers' Co., 1426, 1430, 1435, 1442, 1449; sheriff, 1427-8; mayor, 1435-6, 1444-5; elector, London, 1442, 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1453, 1455; elector, Mdsx., 1450; on all London comns., 1429-52, and a few Mdsx. comns.¹⁰ (including the Lancastrian comn. of array of Dec. 1459); ambassador to the Hanse Towns, Nov. 1436;¹¹ specially lic. to buy merchandise at Southampton, Apr. 1437;¹² apptd. Justice for the merchants of Almaine resident in London, Nov. 1442.¹³ They had petitioned Parlt. in 1426 that he or one of two other aldermen should be apptd. their Justice.¹⁴ When elected to the Bury Parlt. (1447) he said that if he had "*focale sufficiens hospicia convenientia*" he was willing to assume the burden, but not otherwise.¹⁵

D. 1459; will, dat. 8 Apr. 1459, pr. 8 Mar. 1460.¹⁶

¹ Tavistock Vestry deeds.

² *ibid.*

³ *Visitn. Warw.* 75.

⁴ In 1437 William Freville, elder, had licence to grant one-third of little Shelford to his son William Freville younger and Jane his wife da. of Sir Thomas Charlton, knight (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*).
⁵ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 44/214.

⁷ Pardon Roll, 6 Nov. 1446, *m.* 21.

⁸ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 291.

⁹ See Leynham and Say pedigree in *Misc. Gen. et Herald.*, 5th Series, Vol. VI.

¹⁰ *viz.*, 3 Feb. 1453, 16 Sept. 1457, 17 Dec. 1457.

¹¹ *Foedera*, V. i. 35.

¹² Jointly with one John Abbott, mercer of London; (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1437), 45).

¹³ *ibid.* (1442), 133.

¹⁴ *Rot. Parl.* iv. 303.

¹⁵ Evidently suspicious of the hotel accommodation at Bury (*Jor.* 4, fo. 1556—*per* Miss Jay).

¹⁶ (P.C.C., 20 Stokton.) To be bur. in St. Thomas Martyr, Acon.; bequests to wife; to s. (Sir) Thomas; to Roger Appleton (*q.v.*) the yr. and Elizabeth his wife "my da."; to Isabel, da. of (Sir) Thomas, for her marriage, and to nephew (Sir) Thomas Charlton (the Speaker, *q.v.*). At some period he and Adam Fraunceys endowed a chantry near the Guildhall. *Letter Book L.* 53.

FROMWICK, (Sir) HENRY (1430-1506); of South Mimms. M.P. MIDDLESEX 1453-4,¹ 1463-5; Truro 1478.

S. of Thomas Frowick, M.P. 1419-35, *d.* 1448; *m.* Jane da. of Sir Thomas (or Roger) Lewkenor.

On Mdsx. comns. from Mar. 1461, including the Readeption comns., but not those of Richard III. J.P. Mdsx., 18 Sept. 1461 to 29 Sept. 1472; 26 Sept. 1486 to 12 Mar. 1499. In Dec. 1473 Henry Frowyk of South Mimms released to John Forster, Weldhall and other lands in Herts.² In 1475 Henry Frowyk the elder, probably the same, was sued for debt by Walter s. of William Wheler;³ pardoned his outlawry for debts to Sir Roger Lewkenor and certain London citizens, he having surrendered to the Fleet and satisfied his creditors, 1476. However, he was regularly on comns. from 1485 onwards, kntd. with 25 others at the marriage of Prince Arthur, 14 Nov. 1501; and had in 1503 the wardship and marriage of William s. and h. of Sir Thomas Haute, deceased.

D. shortly before Aug. 1506, when Henry Frowick s. and h. of Sir Thomas obtained the custody of lands and heir of Henry Frowyk, kn., deceased. This s. and h. was Thomas, and still further complicates the interminable Henries and Thomases of this formidable family. Possibly there were two Henries here, not one; perhaps the Mdsx. M.P. died about 1480.

FROMWICK (FROWYK), (Sir) THOMAS (1420-85); of Gunnersbury and Ealing; mercer. M.P. MIDDLESEX 1447,⁴ 1450-1,⁴ 1460, (? 1461-2), 1467-8. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Henry Frowick M.P. (1390-1459), by Isabel (*d.* 1465);⁵ *m.* Jane da. of Richard (or John) and Jane Sturgeon.⁶

Elector, Mdsx., 1442, 1449 (1) when called junior, and 1478 when he heads the list; J.P. Mdsx., of the quorum, 30 June 1449 to 18 Sept. 1461, 22 Apr. 1465 to 29 Sept. 1472, and 18 Dec. 1473 till death; on Mdsx. comns., including those under the Readeption and Richard III, 1453-84; sumnd. to the Gt. Council for Mdsx., 1455; granted pontage for 12 years to repair the great bridge at Staines, Oct. 1455; a feoffee of Sir Miles Windsor at Stanwell in 1456; a Yorkist in 1460-1, and in the Parlt. of 1467 he was one of those apptd. to investigate the charges against Hugh Bryce, governor of the Mint; pardoned, as "of London, gent., *alias* mercer, late of Ealing, Mdsx.", July 1468, and 1 May 1472, with the added *alias* "late of Harowe on the Hill"; kntd. 17 Jan. 1478.

D. 26 Sept. 1485, when Henry, aged 38, was his s. and h.; lands in Berks.

¹ Called junior.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls*, (1483), p.374.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/18.

⁴ In 1447 and 1450-1 his father sat for the city of London.

⁵ In her will she mentions s. Thomas and his w. Jane; also Isabel Frowyk da. of Thomas Frowyk, Henry s. of Thomas Frowyk, Thomas s. of Thomas Frowyk, Elizabeth Martin da. of Isabel Frowyk and John her s., nephew Henry Frowyk of Barnet. Exors.:—Thomas Frowyk s., William Eston fishmonger, Richard Bernes and Thomas White chaplain. Codicil dat. 3 Aug. 1465; pr. 8 Aug. 1465 (P.C.C., 10 Godyn).

⁶ Davy, Suffolk Collections, Add. MSS. 19230; see will of Nicholas Sturgeon, priest, 1439.

jointly with Jane his wife, and in Mdsx. Will, Thomas Frowick knt., of Ealing, Mdsx., and of Shaldebourn, Berks.; dat. 22 Sept., pr. 10 Nov. 1485.¹

FROXMERE, THOMAS (1435-97); of Droitwich, Worcs., esq. M.P. Weymouth 1453-4.

S. and h. of — Froxmere by Margaret sis. and coh. of Henry Fillongley (1415-70), M.P.² The Russells quarter the Froxmere arms, and he was perhaps s. of that John Froxmere of Droitwich whose da. *m.* John Russell of Berwick on Swyre (1432-1505) M.P. In the Pardon Roll, 24 Nov. 1468, he occurs as "of Droitwich, Worcs., esq., *alias* late of London, gent., *alias* late of Melford, Suffolk, esq." (m.23). In 1490 Thomas Froxmere was suing for land in Barkeby, Leics., claiming as son of Margaret sister of Henry Fillongley. The other sisters and co-heirs of Henry Fillongley were Alice, married to Darcy (*q.v.*), and Agnes married to Fraunceys.² Russell influence found him his seat.

D. 14 Aug. 1497, when Francis, aged 14, was his s. and h. Lands in Worcs., and Old Fillongley and "Marbrokys" (Marlbrook Hall) in Meriden, Warw. Will, dat. 22 July 1497, pr. 10 Aug. 1498. To be bur. in the church of Stanway, Essex. Bequests to altar of Much (Great) Tey for tithe forgotten. Residue to wife Kateryn. Exors.:—wife Kateryn and cousin Anne Montgomery (*Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 136).

FRYSE, JOHN (1440-1505); of Malmesbury or/and Marlborough; lawyer.

M.P. Malmesbury 1472-5, 1478.

Richard Fryse was M.P. for Marlborough in 1394. John Fryse was on the jury panel in Silkley Hundred, Wilts., 1462;³ a pledge in 1464, and a burgess of Marlborough 1467;³ an attorney in Wilts., 1470;⁴ in July 1471 the burgesses of Malmesbury obtained exemplification of Letters Patent—these letters having been casually lost, as John Fryse has made oath at the Chancery.⁵ Mayor of Marlborough 1471.⁶ He was probably a lawyer with practice in both towns. In 1500 a John Fryce paid half a mark for a writ in Glos., and 13s. 4d. for another in Oxfordshire.⁷ Thomas Fryse made bequests to a charity in Marlborough in 1526, Robert Fryse in 1527.⁸

FULLER, THOMAS (1415-80); of Maldon. M.P. Maldon 1455-6.

In 1436 Thomas Fuller of Sudbury, Suffolk, labourer, was sued for trespass in Essex.⁹ Whoever this may be, Thomas Fuller of Maldon took out a pardon for Cade's rising in 1450; bailiff of Maldon 1460, 1463, 1465, 1466, 1469; and he was a Maldon elector and manucaptor in 1467 and a county elector as well. In 1475/80 Thomas Fuller and Margaret his wife, executrix of William Cosins, sued feoffees to uses for a messuage in King's Lynn.¹⁰ But the name is fairly common.

¹ Masses for his own soul and for that of Thomas Bledelow, late alderman of London. His kind and loving wife to have her part and reasonable sum of money; and welbeloved daughter, Isabel, to have money. Mentions his sons Henry and Thomas; also lands in Berks., Mdsx., and Herts.—some to Jane with reversion to Thomas, and others with reversion to Henry. Exors.:—his wife Jane, John Warde, steward of Zion, and Mr. William Tornor (P.C.C., 18 Logge).

² *Geneal. N.S.* xxiii. p. 152.

³ Anc. Indicts. in Her. Coll.

⁴ Plea Rolls of K.B.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 267.

⁶ Fine Rolls, 15 Hen. VII, Apr. 12 and 4 June 1500 (mm.8 and 9).

⁷ *Wilts. Arch. Mag.* xxxix. 156.

⁸ *ibid.* xxxv. 572.

⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1436), p. 3.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 54/19.

FULNABY (FULNETBY), RICHARD (*b. c. 1400*); of Fulnaby near Wragby.¹ M.P. Grimsby 1427, 1442.

Perhaps g.s. of Sir Thomas Fulnaby (M.P. Lincs. in 1368).

In 1431 he seems to have been a retainer of Lord Roos and of Tailboys of Kyme.² Mayor of Grimsby, 1439.³ Though it is tempting to claim as the M.P. the King's Serjeant who fought at Towton and was attainted accordingly, yet a man of sixty would not have fought at Towton.⁴ There was a John Fulnaby—son or brother—who was a Lincs. elector in 1447, 1450 (*esq.*), and 1453.

FURNESS, Sir CHRISTOPHER (1420–85); porter of Windsor, 1467–77; yeoman of the bottles 1464–81; poor knt. of Windsor 1481–4. M.P. Lewes 1472–5; Bramber 1478.

Apptd. customer of Chichester, 27 Mar. 1455; ranger of Kingsbere forest, Hants, 28 Nov. 1461; exempted as yeoman of the bottles, 1464,⁵ 1467;⁶ reapptd. customer of Chichester, 13 Mar. 1466; porter of outer gate of Windsor Castle, 25 Nov. 1467; to purvey carriages and horses, 5 May 1470; his house in Westminster exempted from resumption, 1474;⁷ surrendered the portership of Windsor 1477; and his house at Westminster 1482; kntd., and made knt. of the King's alms within St. George's, Windsor, 28 Aug. 1481; *d. c.* 1485. The duties of the yeoman of the bottles were various; Christopher Fournays sued the Bp. of Arundel for £20 spent in procuring for the bishop licence to absent himself from the Parliament at York in 1463.⁸ One must suppose that he left issue, since Furnesses are Christopher to this day.

FUST, JOHN (1395–1451); of Chichester. M.P. Chichester 1449–50.

John Fust paid for a writ, 1441;⁹ was a Sussex elector 1450; mayor of Chichester, Nov. 1450 till death, Jan. 1451.¹⁰ See also John Fust M.P. Horsham.

FUST, JOHN (1435–85); of Warnham,¹¹ Sussex; lawyer. M.P. Horsham 1472–5.

Grandson or nephew of John Fust of Chichester¹² M.P. (1395–1451);¹³ *m.* Elizabeth.

Admtd. Lincoln's Inn 1453;¹⁴ *eschr.*, Surrey and Sussex, 1464–5; feoffee in Kent 1465; J.P. Sussex, of the quorum, 20 Feb. 1466 to Nov. 1470; comn. of array, Sussex, Feb. 1470; elector, Sussex, 1472, when called gent. In 1470 and

¹ *Ex inf.* Canon Foster.

² *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 110, 115.

³ Oliver, *Memorials of Grimsby*.

⁴ The King's servants were often taken from the sons of prominent merchants both in London and the provinces, which inclines one the more to distinguish between the Member for Grimsby and Richard Fulnaby the Serjeant.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* v. 537.

⁶ *ibid.* v. 594.

⁷ *ibid.* vi. 95.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 47/3.

⁹ Fine Roll, 19 Henry VI (m.23).

¹⁰ *Sussex N. & Q.* v. pp. 164, 165.

¹¹ In 1457/8 John Fust, gent., of Warnham, nephew of John Fuste, late of Chichester, sued Humphrey Heuster (*q.v.*) and ors., feoffees of said John the uncle, for a messuage and land called Halfknights in East Wittering and in Yapton, Sussex (*Early Chan. Proc.* 28/503).

¹² *Adm. Regr.* ii; he was excused at Xmas next 1454/5 "because he ought to keep the anniversary of his father on Xmas Eve" (*Black Books of Linc. Inn*, 23).

again in 1480 John Fust and Elizabeth his wife conveyed by fine to feoffees—John Stanney (*q.v.*) and ors.—one-third of the manor of West Hoathly, Sussex.¹ He probably died soon after 1480.

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GAIRGRAVE see GARGRAVE.

GALE, THOMAS (1430-96); of Dartmouth, merchant. Customer and Deputy Butler 1458-85; keeper of King's ships 1485. M.P. Plympton 1455-6; Dartmouth 1467-8, (? 1470-1), 1472-5, 1478.

Possibly s. of William Gale by Jane his wife, holders of land at North Curry, Somerset.²

In 1458 he was made deputy butler at Dartmouth, reapptd. 1474; collr. of customs and subsidy in Exeter and Dartmouth 1459-62.³ From 1461 to 1495 he occurs in the Dartmouth records.⁴ In 1462 he was charged to enquire of wines brought to Plymouth, and then charged with wrongful seizure of said wine. He sat on many other Devon. comns. 1456-84, including one under the Readeption; pardoned as customer of Dartmouth in Oct. 1468 and, as "of Dartmouth, gent., *alias* merchant, *alias* late collector of customs at Exeter and Dartmouth", 4 Feb. 1472. Thomas Gale, King's servant, who equipped two ships for six months, had licence to export cloth, Aug. 1475, and a general licence to export to Calais, Nov. 1475. The "King's servant" had further licences in 1477, and a further pardon as "of Dartmouth," 1482. He had backed a bill for Vincent Pitlesden (his colleague in the 1455 Parlt.) and on Pitlesden's death, *c.* 1475, he sued the widow Agnes for rents of the Southampton weighhouse.⁵ Eschr., Devon and Cornwall, 1484-5. Richard III in Mar. 1485 made Thomas Rogers (*q.v.*) and Thomas Gale joint keepers of the King's ships at *id.* a day each. Gale must have died soon after 1495, and was certainly dead in 1501.⁴

GALEYS, THOMAS. M.P. Chippenham 1447.

Undiscovered, but John Galeys was abbot of Tewkesbury 15 miles away, and died 1468; so that Thomas was probably a local man.

GAMON (GAMBON), WILLIAM (1415-70); of Tavistock, merchant. M.P. Tavistock 1447.

William Gamon, *alias* Gambon, of Tavistock, merchant, was pardoned his felony in having killed Nicholas Martyn with a dagger, Apr. 1448. He witnessed a lease of Petypas near Tavistock, 1460;⁶ and Thomas, s. of Thomas Gille (*q.v.*), sued William Gamon for the detention of some deeds, 1463/7.⁷ The name is associated with Moreston in Halberton, East Devon.⁸

GANSEL (GAUNSELL), THOMAS (1410-80); of Middleton, Norf. M.P. Westbury 1459.

¹ *Sussex Rec. Soc.* xxiii, 276, 282.

³ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 55/208.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 30/6.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/114.

⁴ Watkin, *Dartmouth, passim*.

⁶ Tavistock Vestry Documents.

⁸ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

Geoffrey Bunting sued a Thomas Gansell for arresting him to prevent his appearance as a witness, 1433.¹ A Thomas Gansell of Middleton, Norf., esq., joined Brian Stapleton of Norfolk (*q.v.*) in mainperning Oliver Halle, 1456;² and a Thomas Ganschill was a Lynn comnr. of sewers, 1478. It is a rare name, therefore they are probably the same man—some under-sheriff perhaps—and identical with the man returned for Westbury.

GARARD see GERARD.

GARDINER, RICHARD (1435–89); ald. of London, mercer. M.P. London 1478.

M. Audrey, widow of Thomas Barton and da. of William Cotton of Landwade, Cambs. (*d.* 1453). She *rem. c.* 1490 Sir Gilbert Talbot (*q.v.*).

Pardoned, 6 Dec. 1468, as mercer of London; ald. of London 1469 onwards; sheriff 1469–70; elector 1472; auditor 1474–6; mayor 1478–9;³ again pardoned 1480; on London comns. 1480, and 22 July 1483, when called “knt.”—possibly it was intended that he should be kntd. at the coronation of Edward V. Justice for the merchts. of Almain, 28 Feb. 1484. Two days after Bosworth the Common Council apptd. him the leading member of a deputation to ride to meet Henry VII;⁴ last mentioned as at the court of aldermen at the Guildhall, 13 Oct. 1488.

D. 18 Dec. 1489, when Mary Gardiner, aged 6, was his da. and h.⁵ Will, dat. 1 Apr. 1488, pr. 19 Apr. 1490.⁶

GARGRAVE (GAIRGRAVE), JOHN (1410–70); of Wakefield, Yorks., gent. King’s squire; Marshal of the Marshalsea 1444–60; lawyer. M.P. Bodmin 1453–4. Lancastrian.

Admitted to Lincoln’s Inn, 1428; as of Wakefield, gent., John and William Gairgrave thrice entered into recognisances in connection with official business, 1432–5, and on the last occasion John is called esq. to the King.⁷ He was marshal of the Marshalsea of the King’s Bench by May 1444 when he was owed £20; and the same year he was comsnd. to examine ships for customs. In Feb. 1446 as King’s Squire, marshal of the Marshalsea, he was pardoned all escapes. In 1450/1 he was one of the favourites whose removal from Court was demanded by the Commons.⁸ He was probably then deprived of his office, for in 1450/3, John Brenchesle sued for a writ of *dedimus potestatem* to enquire if John Gargrave, late Marshal of the King’s Bench, had delivered Brenchesle from ward by his free will.⁹ He was back in office collecting debts by Jan. 1453, but is spoken of in 1467 as “late marshal of the Marshalsea.”

He must have died soon after, and seems to have left an only da. and h., who *m.* John Bunny of Bunny Hall near Wakefield.¹⁰

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 11/517.

² Fine Roll, 33 Hen. VI (m.6).

³ While mayor he fined one of his sheriffs £50 for words unfitting which said Robert gave unto the mayor (Kingsford, *Chronicle*, ii. 163).

⁴ Jor. 9, fo. 84.

⁵ She *m.* 1504 Giles Alington esq. (*Letter Bk. L.* 317).

⁶ Westley Waterless, Cambs., and lands in London to Audrey his w. for life, reversion to Mary and heirs, remainder to Jane Barton, Audrey’s da. (*London Court of Hustings wills*, 591).

⁷ *Cal. Cl. Rolls.* (1429–35), 186, 234, 359.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* v. 216.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 19/278.

¹⁰ *Geneal. N.S.* xi. p. 42.

GARNET, WILLIAM (1395-1455); of Aylesford, Kent; lawyer. M.P. Stafford boro' 1447; Huntingdon boro' 1449 (1).

The clerk of William Garnet acts in a deed signed at Aylesford, Kent, 1430;¹ Garnet himself acts at Morden, Cambs., at Frinton, Essex, 1433; and in Essex, 1434;² Elizabeth da. and h. of Sir Thomas Cobham granted Preston in Aylesford to Garnet and his heirs, 14 June 1434.² Elector, Kent, 1433; J.P. Kent, 7 Dec. 1433 to 6 June 1443; on comns. of oyer or piracy in Kent, 1437 to 1441; a feoffee of Aylesford, 1444.

There was also a William Gernet, M.P. for Lancashire in 1431, and quite another William Garnet was an elector in Lincoln city in 1442 and 1449 (1). On the whole, as in the case of the Hextalls (*q.v.*), the connection between the Stafford House and Kent might account for a Stafford man being in Kent, or a Kent man sitting for Stafford. The name of Garnet is not common in Staffordshire, and he does not occur in Huntingdon.

GARTH, THOMAS (1445-1505); of Boxsted, Essex; King's servant; Constable of Dublin 1494-7; Marshal of Berwick 1498-1505. M.P. Bletchingley 1491-2.

Probably s. of Thomas Garth of Skipton in Craven.³

Fought for Edward at Barnet and Tewkesbury;⁴ made deputy butler at Ipswich, 3 July 1471; controller of Sandwich 1474-6;⁵ had a £10 pension as King's servant, 3 Oct. 1477; an exor. of the will of Anne (Nevill), duchess of Buckingham, 1480, from which connection he presumably got his seat at Bletchingley; on a comn. for controlling the Medway, Mar. 1483; contr. of customs at Sandwich, 1484-5;⁶ admtd. to Lincoln's Inn at instance of William Donington and Robert Reede—for a hogshead of wine, promised but never delivered—3 Feb. 1485.⁷ He was already concerned in Essex lands as a feoffee for John Wheler in 1485;⁸ one of the exors. of the will of Thomas Bouchier, archbp. of Canterbury, Jan. 1487; ordered to seize Sir James Tyrell's (*q.v.*) lands in Wales, 1488. He took out a pardon as of London and Boxted, Nov. 1490; elected for Bletchingley in 1491—probably had been often already so elected, for he can hardly have sat in that Parlt. In Dec. 1491 he was captaining troops in Kilkenny,⁹ and he was then three months in Ireland.¹⁰ Indeed, with intervals, he was in Ireland six years. In the winter of 1492-3 the earl of Kildare took Garth, "the King's Captain", prisoner in the Offaly country, and hanged his son.¹¹ He and Wyatt were commissioners to the Irish Parliament at Trim, 12 Sept. 1493.¹² He was however made Constable of Dublin and Master of the Mint there, 20 Mar. 1494; captain of the army in Ireland 1495-6. Back in England by 1498, he was made castellan of Norham, and then or earlier marshal of the town of Berwick.

¹ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1429-35), pp. 98, 102, 250, 258, 296. (All these are acknowledgments in Chancery of seisin, enrolled on the Close Rolls.) ² *ibid.* (1434), 317.

³ Thomas Garth s. of Roger Garth of Skipton, gent., was pardoned 1446; Thomas Garth of Skipton in Craven, Yorks, was pardoned 1468 (m.42 and m.16).

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1477), 60.

⁵ *Enr. Accts.*, 14-16 Ed. IV, 55-6.

⁶ Pipe Roll, 2 Ric. III.

⁷ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, i. 81.

⁸ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 360.

⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1491), 367.

¹⁰ Tellers Rolls, E. 405.

¹¹ Miss Conway's thesis, 53.

¹² *ibid.* 57.

D. shortly before July 1505, when his son William was named as his father's successor at Berwick.¹ His wife was perhaps that Elizabeth Garthe who had 5 marks under Duchess Anne's will in 1480.

GASCOIGNE, Sir WILLIAM (1404²-62); of Gawthorpe by Harewood.

M.P. YORKSHIRE 1431, 1435, 1453-4. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir William Gascoigne of the same M.P. (*d.* 1422) (who was s. of the Judge), by Jane said to be da. of Henry Wyman; *m.* clandestinely by 1426 Margaret yst. da. of Thomas Clarell of Aldwark,³ and she survived him.⁴

Already a knt. when he entered into a recognisance in Chancery, 17 Nov. 1429;⁵ 10 marks was owed to him in 1437; sworn to the peace in Yorks. 1439; sheriff, Yorks., 1441-2; pardoned his share in the murder of a collier at Tadcaster, 1444; on Yorkshire comns. from 1439 to the Lancastrian comns. of 1460; pardoned, 24 June, 1437, and in 1446, as "knt., son and heir of William Gascoigne knt., *alias* of Gokethorpe" (m.18); J.P. West Riding, 8 Dec. 1459 to 1461. His s. Nicholas appears with him as a creditor in 1457; and in July 1461 when pardoned, he is "the elder", for his s. William was knntd. at Wakefield and it will be this s. Sir William who was pardoned, 28 Mar. 1462.

D. 1461/2, succeeded by Sir William IV who *m.* Jane da. and h. of John Nevill of Womersley, Yorks. (*q.v.*).⁶

GASCOIGNE, Sir WILLIAM (1468?-1551); of Gawthorpe. Knt. of the Body 1487-1509. M.P. YORKSHIRE 1495, (? 1497), etc.

S. and h. of Sir William Gascoigne V of same (1450-87) by Margaret da. of Henry Percy, earl of Northumberland (*d.* 1485); *m.* (1) Alice da. of Sir Richard Frognall, (2) Margaret da. of Richard Nevill, lord Latimer, and widow of Edward Willoughby of Beckington, (3) Maud Linley, widow, (4) Bridget, widow of Robert Stokes of Bickerton.⁸ His son Sir William was knntd. on Flodden Field.⁹

Knntd. at the Queen's coronation, 24 Nov. 1487; made knt. of the body, and, though under age, he had licence to enter on his lands, 14 Dec. 1487; steward of Bawtrey, Yorks., 18 June 1488;¹⁰ sheriff, Yorks. (while M.P.) 1495-6; on Yorks. comns. of array 1495, 1511-2. Empson was writing to him in 1496 as "Master Gascoigne";¹¹ he was at Court—at Catherine's reception, 1501; exor. of the will of Sir John Mordaunt the Speaker, 1505;¹² attended Henry VII's funeral; present at the Field of the Cloth of Gold, and at the meetings with Charles V, 1520 and 1523. He was serving under Surrey in the army against Scotland, Oct. 1523;¹³ and was by that time treasurer to Cardinal Wolsey.¹⁴ He probably sat in every Parlt. down to and including 1523—subsidy comnr. 30 Aug. 1523. J.P. West Riding 1511-38; J.P. N'hants. 1523 till death.

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1505), 403. ² Aged 18 at his father's death. ³ *Comp. Peerage*, vi. 361.

⁴ In 1465/7 Margaret late wife of Sir William Gascoigne sued Sir William's feoffees for the manor of Thorp Arch—one of the Gascoigne manors in Yorks., and, perhaps, her dower (*Early Chan. Proc.* 32/118). ⁵ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1429), 37.

⁶ When John Neville died, 17 Mar. 1482, his heir was William Gascoigne knt. s. of Jane da. of John Nevill, and aged 30; so this must be Sir William V. born c. 1450 (*Inq. p.m.* 22 Ed. IV, No. 26). ⁷ 18 at his father's death, Mar. 1487, and 66 in Oct. 1534.

⁸ *Test. Ebor.* vi. 234-5.

⁹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 2246 (4 ii).

¹⁰ Campbell, *Materials*, ii 325.

¹¹ Pollard, *Documents*, ii. 125.

¹² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1505), 430.

¹³ He was asked to defer his claim to the arms of the earl of Westmorland (? through his grandmother Jane Nevill) to avoid dissensions in the King's army (*L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 3400).

¹⁴ *ibid.* i. 3458.

In 1534 he was zealously corresponding with Cromwell—"would enquire for all persons maintaining the bishop of Rome's authority"; but on 28 Oct. 1534 he was arrested by Cromwell's orders and brought up to London "though 66 years old at least"¹ He was fined 500 marks, but was prepared to serve the King with 100 men at an hour's notice, 1 Oct. 1536.² He attended the conference at York in Nov./Dec. 1536; and was one of those to try the rebels of the Pilgrimage of Grace, 1537.³ He continued to act almost as Cromwell's man of business in the North till 1540;⁴ obtained a pardon, 21 Nov. 1547.

D. 20 Oct. 1551, when William (VII), aged 50, was his s. and h. Will, dat. 28 Jan. 1546, pr. 23 Mar. 1552.⁵

GASCOYGNE see RUSSELL.

GATACRE, JOHN (1440-99); of Bridgnorth, esq. M.P. Bridgnorth 1470-1, 1472-5.

He was a juror at Bridgnorth in 1467, and at Shrewsbury in 1472.⁶ In 1475/85 John Gatacre esq. sued a husbandman of Envile on a bond extorted in course of a dispute as to land in Morfe and Envile, Staffs.⁷

D. shortly before 4 Nov. 1499 when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the escheator of Salop.⁸

GATE, THOMAS (1440-96); of Britwell, Bucks.; lawyer. M.P. Wycombe 1478.

Perhaps s. of William atte Gate, who was a Bucks. elector in 1447; certainly descended from John de Britwell.⁹

Eschr., Beds. and Bucks., June-Nov. 1469, Thomas Gate "of Britwell, gent., *alias* of Wycombe, late eschr.", was pardoned all arrears due to his office, 29 June 1473.¹⁰ Mayor of Wycombe 1474;¹¹ elector, Bucks., 1478, when elected for Wycombe. He was suing for land at Burnham and Taplow 1483/5;¹² and forfeited a bond of 100 marks there by breaking in riotously upon Isabel widow of Thomas Staunton, 20 July 1486.¹³ However, he was pardoned four days later,¹⁴ and at the same time made justice of assize in the Home counties—10 July 1486, 1491, 1495; justice of gaol delivery in Guildford, Maidstone, Windsor, Canterbury, Hertford, etc., 1488-95; J.P. Bucks., 3 Jan. 1491 till death.

D., to judge from his comns., 8 Mar./12 Oct. 1496.

GAUNSELL see GANSELL.

GAY, HENRY (1425-85). M.P. Oxford boro' 1478.

In 1452 a man of Middlesex owed money to Henry Gay esq.;¹⁵ and a man of

¹ L. & P. Hen. VIII, i. 1325. ² *ibid.* 522. ³ *ibid.* 1194 (4). ⁴ *ibid.* ii. pp. 330, 340.

⁵ To be bur. in psh. ch. of Harewood. Dame Bridget his w. to arrange masses for his soul. Residue to Dame Bridget and she sole exix. (*Test. Ebor.* vi. pp. 234-5). He must have had two sons named William, for one d. 1538.

⁶ Ancient Indicts. of K.B. ⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 66/276. ⁸ Fine Roll, 15 Hen. VII (m.1).

⁹ *Stonor Papers*, i. 135-7. ¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1473), 390. ¹¹ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* v. 558.

¹² *Early Chan. Proc.* 65/72.

¹³ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 511.

¹⁴ As of Brutwell, Bucks., gent.; *alias* of Burnham, Bucks., *alias* of London, *alias* late eschr. of Beds. and Bucks., *alias* of Wycombe (Pardon Roll, 1486, m.15).

¹⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1465), 474.

such a name was juror in Exeter 1471. But the Return calls him, and indeed all M.P.s, *dilectus comburgensis*, "beloved fellow burgher."

GAY, JOHN (1435-1503); of Goldworthy, Devon, gent. Capt. R.N.; yeoman of the chamber 1482-3. M.P. Tavistock 1472-5.¹

Perhaps one of the Gays of Portsmouth (see *Richard Gay*), but a *Thomas Gay* owned ships at Dartmouth in 1451. However, John Gay was a juror at Tamerton-Folyot, Devon, 1465;² was accused of piracy, July 1469; master of the *Edward*, May 1472. He is styled "knt." in the return for Tavistock, yet he was never kntd. Probably the seamen of Devon were assimilated to the seamen of the Peninsular and Orient and the master would be "Don" latinised *miles*. He was yeoman of the chamber by Mar. 1482, granted a £10 annuity paid out of Plymouth so long as he is master of the King's ship *le Carregon*. Charges of piracy were renewed in 1486; he was comsnd. to impress soldiers and sailors for the *Regent*, June 1490; and again, 16 Feb. 1491, when called Master of that ship.

D. 1 Aug. 1503, when William, aged 40, was his s. and h., seised of Goldworthy in Abbotsham manor, held of the abbey of Tavistock, and land in Kentisbeare, held of John Wykys of Mynehead.³

GAY (JAY *alias* MAUTREVERS), RICHARD (1420-80); of Kingston by Portsmouth, yeoman. M.P. Portsmouth 1447.

Perhaps s. of Richard Gay, M.P. for Portsmouth 1417, and for Shoreham 1442. There was also a Richard Gay, M.P. for Portsmouth several times between 1388 and 1406.

Pardoned, 10 Nov. 1452, as of Kingston next Portsmouth, yeoman, *alias* Richard Mautrevers (m.12); and in 1459 the same man was pardoned with the additional *alias* of "husbandman" (m.36).

GAYNECOTE, WALTER (1420-75); of Barnstaple. M.P. Barnstaple 1455-6.

Perhaps son of John Gayncot, M.P. Dartmouth 1426.

In 1454 (!) there was £1 paid to Walter "Gaynoit" for discharging his duties at Parliament.³ He was mayor 1455-6, 1457-8,⁴ and as Walter Geyncot he was put on a piracy comn. in Devon in 1468.

GAYNESFORD, GEORGE (1450-1520); of Hampton-Poyle. M.P. OXFORDSHIRE 1491-2.

Younger s. of John Gaynesford senior, of Crowhurst, Surrey, M.P. (1419-60) by Katherine Wakehurst, who *rem.*, as his second wife, Sir Edmund Rede M.P. (1418-89); m. (1) 1471 Isabel,⁵ da. and h. of Thomas Croxford of Kidlington,

¹ Not a Tavistock name, but the poet Gay was of the family (*ex inf.* J. J. Alexander).

² *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. p. 497.

³ Chanter and Wainwright, *Barnstaple Records*, ii. 103. Mr. J. J. Alexander says that it was not an unusual thing for an account of one year to record payment for the next; if there was a balance in hand the receiver went on paying instead of closing the account and handing over the balance to his successor; Mr. Alexander has noticed the same irregularity in the Exeter and Plymouth accounts. ⁴ Gribble, *Memorials of Old Barnstaple*, p. 200.

⁵ Licence to entail Hampton-Poyle on George Gaynesford and Isabel, remainder to right heirs of John Gaynesford, decd., 18 Nov. 1471 (*Cal Pat. Rolls*, 1471, 295).

Oxon. ; (2) Anne (*d.* 1498) da. of Nicholas Warham and widow of Sir (?) William Rede of Boarstall ; (3) Elizabeth da. and coh. of Sir Robert Harcourt.¹

His stepfather left him his second best mare, called a "studmare", 1489 ; succeeded his brother John (*q.v.*) at Crowhurst, 1491 ; sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 18 Mar. 1494-5, 1498-9 ; on Oxon. comns. 1501, 1504. He sold Hampton-Poyle to Richard Hungerford in 1502 for £319 ;² and he was still living in 1516 when Walter Colepeper in his will bequeathes a "damask cote to my cousyn" George Gaynesford.³

GAYNESFORD, JOHN (1419⁴-60) ; of Crowhurst, Surrey, and Hampton-Poyle, Oxon. M.P. SURREY 1453-4.

Eldest s. of John Gaynesford of the same, M.P. (*d.* 1450) ;⁵ and bro. of William (1422-83) M.P., and of Nicholas (1427-98) M.P. ; *m.* Katherine⁶ da. of Richard Wakehurst, and they had John (*q.v.*) (1439-91) and George (*q.v.*).⁷ Katherine *rem.* Sir Edmund Rede (*q.v.*).

John and Nicholas his bro. were admtd. to Lincoln's Inn for the good favour which the family had to the society, 1453.⁸ Elector, Surrey, 1450 ; on Surrey comns. 1453 to 1460, including all the Lancastrian comns. of array ; J.P. Surrey, 28 Dec. 1452 to 15 Jan. 1459. About 1455 William and John Gaynesford and Thomas Hoo had the custody of Margaret and Elizabeth Wakehurst, g.das. and heirs of Richard Wakehurst.⁹ John was exor. in 1457 of the will of Walter Grene of Hayes, Mdsx. (*q.v.*).¹⁰

D. 7 July 1460, when John, aged 21, was his s. and h. ; lands—nil in Surrey. Will of John Gaynesford senior, esq., dat. 30 May 1460, pr. 3 May 1464.¹¹ His will makes it quite clear that he married but once.

GAYNESFORD, JOHN (1439¹²-91) ; of Crowhurst esq. M.P. SURREY 1467-8.

S. and h. of John Gaynesford of same M.P. (1419-60) by Katherine (Wakehurst) ; *m.* Anne da. of Ottewell Worsley, probably 8 May 1460.¹³

¹ *Visitn. Surrey*, 92.

² Williams, *Oxon. M.P.s.*

³ *Sussex Arch. Colls.* xlvii. 61.

⁴ He was aged 30 at his father's death.

⁵ In 1446 John Gaynesford sen., s. and h. of John Gaynesford, s. and h. of Margery de la Poyle of Hampton-Poyle, sued Thomas Sliffield for Coleford, Surrey (*Geneal. N.S.* xviii. 180). On 15 July 1447, licence for John Gaynesford younger to release Hampton-Poyle to John Gaynesford elder, and he to settle it on John the younger and Katherine his wife (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1447, p. 66).

⁶ In 1453 John and Katherine conveyed Walderne by fine to Sir Thomas Browne (*Sussex Rec. Soc.* xxiii. 265).

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 295.

⁸ *Black Books of Lincoln's Inn*, p. 22.

⁹ *Sussex Arch. Colls.* xlvii. 59 ; lii, 153.

¹⁰ P.C.C., 15 Stokton.

¹¹ To be bur. at Crowhurst and a marble tomb to be built over him and Katherine his w. da. of Richard Wakehurst. Bequest to Nicholas Sybylle *cognato meo*. Lands, to s. John, in trust till he is 24. Exors. :—Katherine his w., William and Nicholas his bros., and John Ellinbridge (P.C.C., 4 Godyn).

¹² Aged 21 in 1460.

¹³ Licence for John Gaynesford esq., s. of John the elder, decd., to grant Hampton-Poyle with appurtenances in Guildford, Stoke, Sliffield and Chiddingfold, to feoffees, *viz.*, William and Nicholas Gaynesford, Bartholomew Bolney and John Catesby (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1460, p. 599).

Further settlements were made giving Anne his wife a life interest in Hampton, 1466.¹ J.P. Surrey, 5 May 1469 to 15 Dec. 1470, 12 May 1472 till death; sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1471-2; elector, Surrey, 1478. Attainted 1484 as "of Allington";² attainder reversed 1485. Pardoned, 6 Feb. 1486, "late sheriff of Surrey and Sussex, *alias* late justice of gaol delivery of Guildford for Edward IV, *alias* late of Crowhurst, Surrey, *alias* J.P. Surrey, *alias* s. and h. of John Gaynesford late of Crowhurst, deceased (m.8).

D. 1491, and is buried at Guildford. His bro. George succeeded him (*q.v.*).

GAYNESFORD, NICHOLAS (1427-98); of Carshalton. Customer, London, 1449-50; Usher of the Chamber 1461-76; Usher to Queen Elizabeth 1476-98.

M.P. Bletchingley 1453-4; SURREY 1455-6, 1460-1, (? 1463-5); Guildford 1472-5; Southwark 1478; (? 1483 Jan.); (a Surrey boro' ? 1485); (? Southwark ? 1487, ? 1488-9); SURREY 1491-2.

Third s. of John Gaynesford of Crowhurst M.P. (*d.* 1450), and bro. of John Gaynesford M.P. (1419-60) and uncle of John Gaynesford M.P. (1439-91). *M. c.* 1453³ Margaret Sydney of Sussex.

Petty customer in the port of London, 1 Oct. 1449; admtd. to Lincoln's Inn with his bro. John 1452/3—William Gaynesford being at that time Governor of the Inn; elector, Surrey, 1453 when elected for Bletchingley, 1467 and 1472 when elected for Guildford; eschr., Surrey and Sussex, 1457-8. One of the feoffees of Hampton-Poyle for his eldest brother's will, 30 May 1460. When the Yorkists arrived they made him sheriff of Surrey and Sussex, 1460-1; J.P. Surrey, 16 July 1461; on the Yorkist comms. from 28 July 1460; pardoned with other former officials, 16 Feb. 1462, being late of Godington, Oxon. or Kent. He was King's servitor and usher of the chamber when made porter of Odiham castle, Apr. 1461; granted Clifford's forfeited Surrey lands in Jan. 1462; exempted from all Acts of Resumption. In 1465 Edward IV directed lord Wenlock, the chief butler, to "lay at our trusty servant's Nicholas Gaynesford's house beside the Bernes (Barnes) a tun of good Gascon wine, that we in our hunting for the hare may have it for our drinking."⁴ J.P. Hants also, 10 Jan. 1468; sheriff, Surrey and Sussex again, 1468-9. In 1469 he sold Clifford's forfeited Isle of Axholme to Axholme Priory. During the Readeption he was removed from the bench and may be presumed to have gone into exile with Edward and to have returned with him to Barnet. He went back on to the Surrey bench and was made again sheriff of the two counties 1472-3. Evidently by 1476 he was usher of the chamber to Queen Elizabeth, when she confirmed to him the constablenesship of Odiham castle.⁵

Gaynesford remained on the bench when Richard III succeeded, but was removed in Dec. 1483, for he was a leader in Kent in the Duke of Buckingham's

¹ 3 Jan. 1466, licence for same feoffees to grant Hampton, etc., to John Gaynesford elder and his heirs. 1 July 1466, licence for John Gaynesford elder esq., to grant Hampton, etc., to feoffees—Ottewell Worsley, Thomas Urswick, Thomas Molineux, etc.—for the life of Anne, wife of John Gaynesford a da. of the said Otuel, and heirs of her body, remainder to himself and heirs (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1466, pp. 423, 522).

² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 245. Probably Allington, Kent.

³ When Wm. Gaynesford and Jane his wife vested Ashwellhall, Essex, in trustees for Nicholas and his heirs by Margaret.

⁴ Scofield, *Edward IV*, 286.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1476), 599.

rising ; attainted Jan., but pardoned his life July 1484, called " of Carshalton "—no doubt he remained with Queen Elizabeth. Attainder reversed 1485 ;¹ sheriff of Surrey and Sussex again, 12 Sept. 1485–6 ; J.P. Surrey, 11 Oct. 1487 till death. He retained his stewardship of Odiham in 1485, but lost Shalford-Clifford, which no doubt was restored to the Cliffords by the Lancastrian King ; apptd. kpr. of Banstead and Walton, Surrey, and granted £40 reward as sheriff. Received £20 a year out of Kent as his wage as usher of the chamber to Queen Elizabeth, 10 June 1486. His s. John Gaynesford was joined with him in the stewardship of Odiham, Sept. 1486, but died within the month, and on 17 Oct. 1486 Nicholas and his g.s. Robert were granted half Chebsey, Staffs., forfeited by Humphrey Stafford of Grafton. He remained on Surrey comns. of oyer and terminer and gaol deliveries till 1491 ; and in Mar. 1493 had grant of the custody of his g.s. Robert, s. of his s. John, deceased.³

D. just before 7 Aug. 1498 ;⁴ M.I. in Carshalton ch. where he was buried.⁵ Will, dat. 27 July 1497, pr. 4 Nov. 1498.⁶

GAYNESFORD, WILLIAM (1425–83) ; of Lingfield.⁷ M.P. SURREY 1449–50.

S. of John Gaynesford the elder of Crowhurst M.P. (d. 1450) ; and bro. of John (1419–60) M.P., and of Nicholas (1427–98) M.P. ; m. by 1446, Jane (d. 1453), da. of John Simonds by a da. of John Gobyon of Essex ;⁸ but if he had issue, we cannot trace them.

Pardoned 24 Nov. 1446, with Jane his wife, da. and h. of John Symonds, late of Toppesfield, Essex, late recorder of London. John Gaynesford, senior (q.v.), and William were feoffees for the abbey of Lingfield, 1449 ; and William and his wife Jane demised to Nicholas Gaynesford the manor of Ashwell-hall, Essex, 1453. On Surrey comns. 1452 to 1460—not the Lancastrian ones ; elector, Surrey, 1459, 1460. William and his bro. Nicholas were exors. of the will of their eldest bro. John Gaynesford M.P., 1460.

But there were two William Gaynesfords. Besides this bro. of Nicholas, there was their uncle William, born c. 1400. They do not seem to be called elder and younger ; but we think the 1449 M.P. was the younger one, younger son of the senior line of Hampton-Poyle. A William Gaynesford of Blockfield in Lingfield died in 1483, and may well be our man.⁹

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 273 ; vi. 245.

² Palmer's Index to the Fine Rolls.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1493), 419.

⁴ Fine Roll, 13 Hen. VII (m.4). Writ *diem clausit* to eschr. of Surrey.

⁵ Inscribed " Pray for the soulis of Nicholas Gaynesford on tyme esquier for the body of the most noble prices Edward the IIII and Henry the VII, and Margaret his wyffe one of the gentilwomen of the most noble princesses Elizabeth and Elizabeth wives of the forsaid most noble prices Kings " (W. D. Gainsford, *Annals of the House of Gainsford*).

⁶ To be bur. by High Altar of Carshalton ch. Bequest to grandson Robert ; to grandda. Margaret, da. of s. John, 100 marks for her marriage. To s. Robert his grey ambling gelding and bay gelding. Exors. :—w. Margaret, John à Lygh (q.v.) of Alyngton, William Buke and John Kyrton. His good master John Riseley (q.v.) to be overseer (P.C.C., 27 Horne).

⁷ Pardon Roll, 24 Nov. 1446—of Lingfield, *alias* of Toppefeld, Essex (m.20).

⁸ *Surrey Visitm.* 92.

⁹ Manning and Bray, *Surrey*, ii. 349.

GAYTON, ROBERT. M.P. Steyning 1460-1.

This is not likely to be the citizen and grocer of London who flourished 1438-68; more likely to be the Robert Gayton, late of Lynn, merchant, who was pardoned 13 Nov. 1455, together with Jane his wife, *alias* Jane Wankelyn widow (m.17)—for Steyning was one of the Duke of Norfolk's boroughs. Most likely to be neither of them but some young lawyer; possibly a son of either. In 1465/70 Robert son of John Gayton sued feoffees of John's will for tenements and a wharf in Stratford atte Bowe.¹

GEDGE (GEGGE), ROBERT (1410-70); of Lincoln; lawyer. M.P. Lincoln city 1442, 1460-1.

An attorney in Notts., 1450;² on comn. for raising archers from Lincoln city in 1457. There was a grant to Roger Gedge and Hugh Fenne (*q.v.*) of debts due to Robert Gedge, late of Soham, Norfolk, Nov. 1452.

GEDNEY, WILLIAM (1405-60/1); of Cardington; Clerk of the Signet; Secretary to Queen Margaret 1445-61. M.P. BEDFORDSHIRE 1447.

M. c. 1450 Margaret, widow of Richard Chamberlain of Cotts, Bucks.³

The King's servant, William Gedney, was exempted from all offices, May 1431; he was secretary to the ex-Queen Katherine in 1433.⁴ Having had from Katherine, the King's mother, a grant of Kirton and Long Bennington, Lincs. (which, on the Queen's death, the King had granted to another), the King granted to William Gedney, King's squire, the stewardship of Berkhamsted, 10 Nov. 1438. He was sent to Humphrey of Gloucester at Tenby with letters, Nov. 1440;⁵ was granted the wardship and marriage of James, s. of James Gascoigne, Oct. 1441; was paid 20 marks for his expenses on a mission to Normandy, 3 Oct. 1443;⁵ and he and two other King's servants were granted £20 yearly out of the issues of Coventry priory, 1443. In Dec. 1444 the same three were granted the same, or another, pension out of the customs of Sandwich. A collector of customs and subsidy in Boston 1444;⁵ apptd. Secretary to Margaret of Anjou, Jan. 1445. In this capacity he received funds for his expenses to go to France to fetch her, although he did not actually cross to France at that time.⁶ The enrolled accounts of that year show him as one of the five clerks of the King's Signet, receiving an issue of clothes. In Oct. 1445 he was paid for acting as King's messenger for 32 days between Berkhamsted and London. He sat in the Bury Parlt. 1447; sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1449-50; pardoned Jan. 1459.⁷

GEGGE see GEDGE.

GENEY see JENNEY.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 34/34.

² Plea Rolls, Easter 28 Hen. VI.

³ In 1450/1 William Gedney esq. and Margaret his wife, late wife of Richard Chamberlain esq. of Cotts, sued William Aldewynkle esq., one of the feoffees of Richard Chamberlain, for her dower, being one-third of Denford, Cotys, etc., in N'hants. and Bucks.

⁴ J. Stevenson, *Wars of the English in France*, Rolls Series II. i. 263.

⁵ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

⁶ Stevenson, *loc. cit.*, 455.

⁷ As "late sheriff of Beds. and Bucks., late of Wodeford, N'hants., late of Cardington, Beds." (m.4).

GEORGE, RICHARD (1415-71); King's Serjeant-at-Arms 1445-70.
M.P. Carlisle 1467-8.

Appointed Serjeant-at-Arms with 12*d.* a day, 9 Dec. 1445. On special comns. from 1447 in all parts of the country, Hull, Yorks., Portsmouth, Wight, Bristol, Harwich, Winchelsea, London, Kent, Southampton, Suffolk, Colchester, Sandwich and Somerset, *i.e.* on piracy cases, to muster troops, to make arrests and to seize ships and men for service. On 15 June 1450 he was to arrest Lord Saye's goods in Kent, after this Lord's murder by Cade's mob. In August 1454 he and the bailiff of Scarborough are to arrest Andrew Trollop who keeps the seas. In 1457 he accounts for kid-skins seized at sea.¹ He is always called King's Serjeant-at-Arms, and the revolution of 1461 made no difference to him. He had a regrant of the office of Serjeant, 14 July 1461, with a livery of the squires of the Household. The Serjeant and his wage were exempted from resumption in 1449/50, 1455, 1461, 1464, 1467/8—had livery of clothes 1455, 1459, 1461.

There was another Richard George—page of the Chamber in 1455, groom of the Chamber in 1459—possibly a son.² The Richard George esq. who was made keeper of the swans on Thames by the Readeption govt., 22 Dec. 1470, is more likely the old Serjeant-at-Arms. But he was dead and succeeded by his s. and h. William at Sawbridgeworth, Herts., by 1472/3.³

GERARD, JOHN (1390-1455); ald. of Norwich. M.P. Norwich 1423, 1425, 1432, 1435, 1442, 1447.

Sheriff of Norwich 1422; alderman by Nov. 1429; sworn to the peace in Norfolk, 1434; J.P. Norwich, 1438 to 1441, in 1446 and thereafter; on several comns., 1440-3; pardoned, Nov. 1446, when called alderman; an elector of Norwich 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1450. On 12 Dec. 1446, John Gerard, gent., citizen of Norwich, released to feoffees lands in Carleton.⁴ If he is the same as John Garard of Honyng, Norfolk, late living in Dickham, then he was dead in 1455. On 26 June 1441, letters of denization were issued to John Gerard, born of an English mother in Norwich.⁵ It is well-known that the surname Gerard comes from the christian name so very common in the Low Countries. But, if this is the M.P., then he must have been M.P., J.P., sheriff and alderman while still an alien!

GERARD, JOHN (1415-75); of Purbeck, Dorset, gent. M.P. Dorchester 1442.

Descended doubtless from Richard Gerard, M.P. Dorchester 1360-69.

John Jerrard was on an inquest taken at Dorchester in Oct. 1456; pardoned 15 Mar. 1462, as "of Purbeck, Dorset, gent." (m.32), and 16 Dec. 1471 as "of Stypyll (Steeple), Dorset, gent., *alias* of Purbeck."⁶

¹ *Envr. Accts.* F. 35 Hen. VI. C.

² *Exchq. Accts.* 361/6.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 47/141.

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 228.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1441), 549.

⁶ There were other Gerards in Dorset, and long after, in 1545, there appears a William Gerard, s. and h. of John Gerard in the Dorset records.

GERARD, Sir PIERS (1407-47); of Bryn. M.P. LANCASHIRE 1445-6.

S. and h. of John Gerard of Bryn in Ashton (*d.* 1431), by Alice Botiler;¹ *m.* Isabel, in or before 1428, when his father settled land in Rainhill, etc., on him and his wife.

A Lancs. elector, 1432, 1433. In 1431 he succeeded to paternal estates of a clear value of 100 marks a year in Ashton, Rainhill, Melling, Skelmersdale, etc., Lancs.;² sworn to the peace in Lancs., 1434. He was still esq. in 1440 when making a contract of marriage between Thomas, his son, and Douce, da. of Sir Thomas Assheton.³ Kntd. 1440/45.

D. 26 Mar. 1447, seised of Ashton, *alias* the manor or capital messuage of the Bryn. Custody of his lands and of his s. and h. Thomas, aged 16, was given to Thomas Daniel (*q.v.*), and afterwards transferred to Thomas Assheton. His widow, Isabel, had dower.⁴

GERARD (GARARD), RICHARD (1435-95); of Shinfield, Berks. M.P. Wootton Bassett 1467-8.

The following are to be tried and delivered from Wallingford gaol:—Thomas Rogger of Chipping-Lambourne, Berks., esq., William Sturmy of Knolle, Wilts., gent., Richard Gerard of Bockhampton, Berks., yeoman, and also Richard Gerard of Shinfield, Berks., 15 Sept. 1460.⁵ There is also a general pardon to Richard Gerard, gent., *alias* yeoman, 28 Nov. 1483, and in May 1491 Richard Gerard of Shinfield, Berks., gent., was pardoned outlawry for not appearing to answer a charge in Co. Hereford. But Gerard (Garret) is a common name, and all the above mere guesswork.

GIBBS, JOHN (1420-87); of Fenton, Devon. M.P. Totnes 1467-8.

S. and h. of Thomas Gibbs of same. In 1461 he was comsmd. to arrest a servant of William Holland, bastard of Exeter, who was stirring up insurrections; and he was on other Devon comns. 1458-77, including those of the Readeption. Pardoned, 28 Oct. 1462, "of Fenton, Devon, esq., *alias* gent., *alias* late of Tiverton, *alias* late of Exeter" (*m.* 27); and again 1471/2;⁶ bailiff of Dartmouth 1474-5; a feoffee of John Byconnell's in 1485.⁷

D. 28 Mar. 1487, when William, aged 16, s. of William s. of John, was his g.s. and h. Lands—Boterford, Devon, and also in Ashburton, Kitcot, Totnes and Dartmouth.⁸

GIBBS, ROGER (1450-1505); of Hereford. M.P. Hereford city 1478.

M. Jane da. of Thomas Benet and had s., Robert, surviving and of age in 1505.⁹

Mayor of Hereford 1494-5, 1497-1500;¹⁰ on gaol delivery comns. at Hereford 1494, 1503; pardoned, 10 Dec. 1498, as *late* mayor and as J.P. for Hereford Co.¹¹

¹ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* xxxvii. 301.

² Lancs. I. *p.ms.*; *Chetham Soc.* i. 123.

³ Townley MS. D.D. n. 1465. ⁴ Townley MS. *ut. sup.*; *Hist. MSS. Comm.* xxxvii. 302.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1460), 648-9.

⁶ Pardon Roll, 11 Edw. IV. As "late of Fenton, *alias* Venton, gent., *alias* esq., *alias* late of Claneburgh, *alias* late of Exeter gent., *alias* late of Gydeat (Kitcot), esq."

⁷ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.* ii. p. 554. ⁸ *ibid.* i. p. 132. ⁹ John Gibbs was M.P. Hereford, 1558.

¹⁰ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 294; Duncomb, *Herefordshire*.

¹¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1498), 154.

D. 1505; will, dat. 26 Mar., pr. 8 Apr. 1505. To be buried in St. Peters, Hereford. Masses for self and wife Jane, for parents and for Robert Halliday, for his father-in-law Thomas Benet. Jane his wife to have lands in Aylestoneffeld. Exors. :—Richard Browne, and son Robert Gibbes (mayor 1522).¹ Overseer :—Mr. Robert Bean and Sir Richard Delaber (*q.v.*).²

GIBTHORPE (GYBTHORP), JOHN (1420–60); of Thorpe by Wainfleet, Lincs.; yeoman of the Crown 1452. M.P. Taunton 1449 (1).

As yeoman of the Chamber, he was granted for life the custody of Odiham Park, with 4*d.* a day, to hold by self or deputy, Apr. 1452; in Dec., then called yeoman of the Crown, he was granted 6*d.* a day out of the issues of Wilts. Eschr., Lincs., 1458–9 and on a Lincs. comn., 1458. The link between Lincs. and Taunton is furnished by the pardon roll, 12 Feb. 1462, where appears “Simon Gibthorpe, exor. of the will of John Gibthorpe, late eschr. in Lincs., *alias* Simon Gibthorpe of Thorpe by Waynflete, Lincs., gent.” (m.40)—for Waynflete, bp. of Winchester, came from Waynflete, and the bishopric owned Taunton and controlled its representation. There is no trace of the name Gibthorpe in the Taunton records.

GIFFORD (GYFFORD), WILLIAM (1410–60); of Ishill, esq. M.P. GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1449–50.

The will of Robert Gifford of Weston-under-Edge, Glos., was pr. at Lambeth in 1446. This may be his father or his brother. *M.* (1) Jane, da. of John Rogers, and (2) Elinor, da. of Sir John Paulet.³

Sheriff, Glos., 1445–6; elector, Glos., 1447, 1449 (1), 1455; on Glos. comns., 1445 and 1451. As William Gifford the elder, he settled the manor of East Ging in Berks., Feb. 1455, and probably died soon after.

GILBERT (GYLBARD), JOHN (1435–99); of Whitcombe in Corton, Som., esq.; ? lawyer. M.P. Melcombe 1491–2.

S. and h. of John Gilbert of Queen Camel, senior, by Christine da. of John Walker;⁴ *m.* Jane, who survived him, and had Robert, *b.* 1459.⁵

A Somerset elector 1460; apptd. deputy butler at Bridgwater, 21 June 1471; eschr., Hants and Wilts., *c.* 1473; on Wilts. comn., 1473; with Jane his wife and Robert their son, he held an office in the Isle of Wight, 1484;⁶ made Keeper of Stowe park, Som., 4 Oct. 1485; pardoned, 12 Nov. 1494;⁴ J.P. Devon, 22 May 1494 till death. In 1495 he obtained an exemplification of a charter not affecting himself, hence probably a lawyer.

D. 22 Aug. 1499, when Robert, aged 40, was his s. and h.; lands—Somerset and Hants. Will, as of Whitcombe in Corton-Denham, dat. Apr., pr. Nov. 1499. Mentions his lands at Somborne, Hants, and in Isle of Wight; also sons Robert and John, and w. Jane.⁷

¹ See note ¹⁰ on p. 372.

² P.C.C., 28 Holgrave.

³ *Geneal N.S.* xii. 77.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1494—John Gilbert of Whitcombe, Som., esq., *alias* s. and h. of John Gilbert late of Queen Camell, senior, *alias* tenant of Sterte, Som., *alias* late eschr. of Hants and Wilts., for Edw. IV, *alias* tenant of Knyghton, Wolverton, Sandham, Languard, Clyffe and Broke, Hants (m.37).

⁵ *Somerset Visitn.* pp. 126–7.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1504), 392.

⁷ Somerset wills, *Som. Rec. Soc.*

GILBERT, RICHARD (1425-80); of Salisbury. M.P. Salisbury 1461-2.

In 1447 Alice da. of John Gilbert quitclaimed South Broom house in Salisbury to Richard Gilbert and others.¹ Many of the Gilbert family, but not Richard, had houses in Salisbury in 1452.² Richard was an elector for Wilts. 1455; a feoffee of Amesbury with Henry Long (*q.v.*) in 1457/60;³ burgess of Devizes 1467.⁴ He was still living in 1474/5 when he was paid by the churchwardens of St. Edmunds for assistance in one of their lawsuits.⁵

GILDON (GYLDREN), JOHN (1455⁶-1509); Yeoman of the Crown 1492-1502; Usher of the Chamber 1502-7. M.P. Shoreham 1491-2.

He was a yeoman of the Crown by 5 Mar. 1492, when he prayed licence for a Scottish chaplain to enjoy an English benefice. He was granted a pension of 6*d.* daily as yeoman usher of the Chamber, 3 Aug. 1502.⁷

D. 1507/9; will as "of London", dat. 1507 (?), pr. 1509.

GILL (GYLLE), THOMAS the elder (1400-66); of Dartmouth, and of Hatch, Devon. Shipowner; lawyer; customer 1439-54.⁸ M.P. Totnes 1429-30; Dartmouth 1433, 1435, 1442, (? 1445-6), 1447, 1449-50; Barnstaple 1450-1; Dartmouth 1455-6.

M. Catherine, widow of Henry Osborn.⁹

On Devon comms. 1431 to Aug. 1455 called "the elder", and he is frequently of the quorum (therefore perhaps lawyer as well as shipowner), and sometimes described as "of Barnstaple"; occurs in the Dartmouth records from 1432; licensed to arm certain barks, 1436; collr. of customs and subsidy in the ports of Dartmouth and Exeter, Mar. 1439; and at Southampton, May 1439. He provisioned the passage of Sir Edward Hull (*q.v.*) and troops to Aquitaine, 1440.¹⁰

As a customer of Southampton he was ordered to seize ships to carry an embassy to Normandy, 1441; and granted extra wages for the service.¹¹ His principal business seems to have been ship-owning, for in June 1434 Gill obtained a licence for John Lyfard to take 50 persons on the *Anthony* of Dartmouth on pilgrimage to St. James of Compostella.¹² In May 1447, just after the Parlt. at Bury in which he sat, Gill was granted the office of surveyor of the officers in Poole, Melcombe, Dartmouth, Exeter, Bridgwater, Plymouth and Fowey, within and without the customs houses, to act by self or deputy, with wages from the customs of Dartmouth; and further to survey all the books of the customers and arrest all who withdrew goods whereon customs should be paid; eschr., Devon and Cornwall, 1447. His son, Thomas Gill the younger, who sat with him in the 1442 Parlt.,

¹ *Wilts. Arch. Mag.* xliv. 386.

² *ibid.* xxxvii. 79.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/453.

⁴ *Anc. Indicts.* of K.B.

⁵ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

⁶ He cannot be the John Gildon of Malden, Surrey, who was wounded and appears on the *Anc. Indict.* 1464.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1502), 261. After his death William Keby succeeded him in this office, 30 May 1509. *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 54 (90).

⁸ *Issue Rolls*, *passim*.

⁹ Debt owing to Thomas Gill and Catherine his wife, late wife of Henry "Osbaron", late mercer and citizen of London, 1439.

¹⁰ *Exchq. Accts.* 53-27

¹¹ *Issue Rolls*, 1441.

¹² *Foedera*.

had probably taken over a share in the shipping business, for Thomas Gill is owner of "*Le Yonge Gilles*", and Gill the elder owned "*Le Antony Gylle*" in 1451; "*Le George*" of Dartmouth is called "late of Thomas Gill" in 1453. Pardoned, 1446, as of Devon; and in 1452, as of Nitheway, *alias* of Hacche, Devon, gent. A fishmonger of London sued him in 1454 for the capture of the bishop of St. Andrews' ship "*Le Marie*" by William Kydde and other pirates of the West Country, and for its deliverance to Sir William "Kanete" (Keneth ?) of Scotland.¹ Pardoned, 1456² and 1458.³ In 1456 he certainly needed one of these useful pardons, for a powerful comn. consisting of Sir Hugh Courtenay and others was apptd. to seize and bring before the Council Thomas Gill and John Page of Plymouth and five others, who had committed offences and had been commanded to appear but had not done so; and in Feb. 1459 the whole of the previous case is repeated at length and Thomas Gill alone had not appeared, and, if he cannot be arrested, proclamation of forfeiture is to be made against him.⁴ No doubt the secret of all the charges made against him is to be found in the riotous state of anarchy which existed in Devon from 1450-60 rather than in his association with Capt. Kidd, but as Gill continued to be apptd. to comns. right up to the fall of the Lancastrian dynasty and not thereafter, he may be assumed to have been on the side of whatever Government there was. He was still "of Dartmouth", 1463-4.

D. shortly before 18 Jan. 1467, when the writ *diem clausit* was sent to the eschr. of Devon for Thomas Gille senior.⁵

GILL (GYLLE), THOMAS, the younger (1425-85); of Hatch-Arundell, Devon, esq.; customer. M.P. Totnes 1442; Dartmouth 1467-8; (Totnes 1470-1 ?).

Probably s. of Thomas Gill the elder M.P. (1400-66); *m.* Amy da. of Robert Cammel.⁶

Mentioned in the Dartmouth records from 1448; apptd. contr. of customs in Exeter and Dartmouth, 8 May 1448; which office was re-granted to him, 1461, 1469; pardoned, 8 Apr. 1458 as of Woodhouse, Devon, gent., late of Kingsbridge (m.21); eschr., Somerset and Dorset, 1460-1; water bailiff of Dartmouth and deputy Butler in the port of Exeter for life, 18 July 1461. A comn. was apptd., July 1462, to enquire into riots, etc., committed against Thomas Gill, the eschr.; in Sept. 1462 he was not only pardoned £32 which he owed to the King, but obtained licence to crenelate his manor house at Hatch-Arundel, "in consideration of his good and gratuitous services";⁷ eschr. also of Devon and Cornwall; customer of Poole and Weymouth. He sued John Yeabbecombe, clerk, and William Gambon (*q.v.*) for detention of deeds, 1465/70; and Sir William Bouchier and

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 29/3.

² Senior of Hacche and Nitheway, Devon, gent. (m.9).

³ Senior of Hacche, Devon, *alias* of Nethewey, gent., *alias* late of Dartmouth, *alias* late customer of the great and little Customs of Dartmouth (m.34).

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1459), 493.

⁵ Fine Roll, 6 Edw. IV (m.22).

⁶ 1460/65 Robert Cammel and John Wyke sued Thomas Gill the elder for covenants upon the marriage of Thomas Gill the younger with Amy, da. of Robert Cammel; and Thomas Gill the younger and Amy, his wife, sue Walter Reynell (*q.v.*) and others, probably trustees (*Early Chan. Proc.* 29/74, 29/75).

⁷ *Cal. Charter Rolls*, vi. 188.

others, feoffees to uses, for a messuage in Bowden beside Totnes, 1465/70.¹ Pardoned, 27 Jan. 1471 "of London, gent." and 24 Dec. 1471,² which may indicate that he was in the 1470-1 Parliament. He may have been still alive on 12 Nov. 1484 when there was an acquittance of arrears due, £57 7s. od.³

GILLIOT (GILYOT), (Sir) JOHN (1450-1510); ald. of York; grocer; stapler; goldsmith. M.P. York city 1487, 1489-90.

S. and h. of John Gilyot, mayor of York 1464, 1474 (*d.* 1480), by Jane da. of John Lancaster (*q.v.*); *m.* Katherine (dead in 1488), (2) Maud (*d.* 1552/9),⁴ da. of Henry Vavasour of Haslewood, Yorks.; issue, William, Lawrence, Peter and two das.

Entered Merchants' Guild and *Corpus Christi* Guild, 1480;⁴ made free of York city by patent, 1481;⁴ chamberlain, 1482; sheriff, 1484-5; master of the Merchants' Company, 1485, 1486, 1500-1; elected alderman, 22 May 1487;⁵ returned for York, Oct. 1487; apparently returned again (but one of four on Scaife's Lists) 1489; mayor, 1490-1, 1503-4;⁶ kntd. 14 Nov. 1501 at the marriage of Arthur, prince of Wales.⁷ He was one of about 500 merchants of the staple who were "pardoned" for technical offences, 27 Nov. 1505.

D. 1510, when William, aged 21, was his s. and h.; lands, Yorks. Will of John Gilliot, knt. and alderman of York, dat. 28 Dec. 1509, pr. at York 4 Mar. 1510.⁸ To be bur. in St. Saviour's, York, next to his w. Dame Mawde. Masses for souls of his parents and his wives Katherine and Mawde; bequests to sons Peter and Lawrence, to das. Mawd and Margaret. His s. William principal exor., with Sir Robert Wilberforce, George Evers and William Hoby. Supervisor, William Shirburn, priest.⁸

GILLIS (GILYS), ROBERT (1410-70); of Wilts. M.P. Calne 1442.

Perhaps s. of John Gillis M.P. for Calne 1422-3, elector, Wilts., 1437.

He was one of those to be prayed for at St. Loo's chantry in Calne in July 1446; a juror in Hants 1460, at Winchester 1460, and at Salisbury 1462.⁹ Thomas Parys (*q.v.*) of Salisbury, mercer, owed Robert Gillis £20 in 1465.

GILYOT see GILLIOT.

GIMBER (GYMBER), HENRY (1420-70); of Ellington. M.P. HUNTINGDONSHIRE 1450 till unseated on petition.

The Indenture which returns Robert Stonham and John Styvecle is not between the sheriff and the electors, but merely attests that the electors made the election. Attached thereto is a petition in English which seems to allege that, though Stonham and Styvecle, "esquires of your said honorable household" had been chosen, yet

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/6 and 33/131.

² As of Hacche, Devon, esq., *alias* of Alvington, Devon, *alias* late escheator of Somerset and Devon, and of Cornwall and Devon, *alias* late controller in the ports of Exeter and Dartmouth, *alias* late customer of Poole and Weymouth, *alias* of Kingsbridge, Devon, *alias* of Woodhouse, Devon.

³ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander, who shows that he was godfather to Thomas Hatch, *b. c.* 1474.

⁴ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

⁵ *Test. Ebor.* iv. p. 12n.

⁶ Drake, *Eboracum*, 363.

⁷ Shaw, *Knights*, i. 147.

⁸ *Test. Ebor.* v. pp. 12-17.

⁹ *Anc. Indicts.*; Index at Her. Coll.

the Sheriff had returned Gimber to be of the said knights, "which is not of gentell birth." If so, the original return has been destroyed. This important illustration of mediæval elections has been discussed by Dr. Stubbs (in *Constitutional History*, iii, 437). We are not sure that the actual return bears out Dr. Stubbs' view, but the whole matter will be more appropriately dealt with in the Lists Volume.

Probably s. of Thomas Gimber of Ellington, who occurs in 1414.¹

J.P. Hunts., 12 Feb. 1455 till death, and J.P. Cambs., 28 May 1463 to 2 Jan. 1464. A plaintiff in fines concerning Ellington and Diddington, 1449, 1464.² He was also on many Hunts. comns. 1455 to 1459, including the Lancastrian arrays in both Hunts. and Rutland. One might suppose from his "ungentell" birth and his comns. of the peace that he was a lawyer and died 1467/70.

GINNOUR (GYNNOUR) *alias* SEELES,² THOMAS (1410-60); of West Firle, Sussex, gent.; ? lawyer. M.P. Midhurst 1447; Shoreham 1450-1; Bletchingley 1459.

Perhaps s. of William Gynnour, who was sworn master of the mysteries of the steynours in London in 1432.³ As "of West Firle, Sussex, gent." Thomas was pardoned for being out with Cade; apptd. by Penycoke (*q.v.*) Feb. 1453, as his attorney to receive the body of John s. and h. of John Leye of Flamerston, Wilts. (*q.v.*), whose wardship had been granted to Penycoke.⁴

GIRLINGTON, NICHOLAS (1420-64); of Girlington in Richmondshire. Retainer of the Duke of York; lawyer.⁵ M.P. WESTMORLAND 1447. Yorkist.

A "cousin" and exor. of William Girlington, alderman and M.P. for York city (1400-44).⁶

When he was returned for Westmorland in 1447 his servant, Harwood, was returned at the same time for Appleby. This was one way of doing the trip to town economically.

On an Essex comn. in 1448, and on others in London and Northumberland from 1450 to 1462, all Yorkist; J.P. North Riding, 5 Nov. 1451 to 9 June 1455, 5 Apr. 1458 to 7 Mar. 1460, and 1 Nov. 1461 till death. He had a dispute with John "Gra" in Apr. 1451 respecting the manors of Ingleby and Multon Hall, Cumbd.; pardoned, 12 Oct. 1455, as of York, late of London, gent., and 27 June 1458, as exor. of the will of Geoffrey FitzHugh knt., and with other feoffees of lands in Yorkshire. When the Yorkists came, Girlington—for good service to the

¹ *Hunts. Feet of Fines* (Cambs. Antiq. Soc., 1913), by G. J. Turner, pp. 100, 108, 110.

² John Howell of Sussex m. a da. and h. of Thomas Seeles, *alias* Gynnour of Sussex, and had a grant of arms from Clarenceux in the time of Henry VI (*Visitn., Kent*, 124).

³ *Letter Book K.* 149.

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 286.

⁵ In *Analecta Eboracensia* Sir Thomas Widdrington wrote:—"I have heard a tradition which is derived from the report of Mr. William Girlington of Lincoln's Inn, 1612, that there were two brothers of the Girlingtons, both lawyers; the one sided with the House of York, the other with that of Lancaster. And they were interchangeably Records of this city, as the White Rose or the Red Rose was more weighty in the balance."

⁶ In 1457/60 Nicholas and other exors. of William Girlington sued John Marshall on a bond given by William to wed one Janet Goldyng (*Early Chan. Proc.* 26/617).

King and to his father, Richard of York—obtained a pension of £20 a year from the King's manor of Spofforth.

D. Sept. 1464; will, dat. 17, pr. at York 22 Sept. 1464. He *m.* Elizabeth,¹ and to Elizabeth was granted in Feb. 1465 the escheated lands late of Edmund Fysshe, late of York, for Girlington's good service to the King and to the King's father, and for his imprisonment and death, and for the relief of herself and of their two sons and daughter; this grant was exempted from the Act of Resumption in 1467. The death can hardly have been a violent one, as he made a will and it was proved so promptly.

GIRLINGTON, WILLIAM (1395-1444); of York, draper. M.P. York city 1442.

Third son of John Girlington of Girlington in Richmondshire;² *m.* Janet Golding, who *rem.* Deyne and *d.* 1457.³

Chamberlain of York, 1421;² sheriff, 1426-7; mayor, 1440, called "draper"; £5 was owed in York to William Girlington, citizen and draper of that city, June 1439.

D. 1440; will, dat. 20 May 1440, pr. at York 7 June 1440.⁴ Nicholas Girlington of Girlington (*q.v.*), when he died in 1464, left money for the souls of himself and William Girlington. William Girlington was buried at St. Andrew's.² He owned property in "little Seint Andrewgate", and at Gainford, Durham.²

GISBOURNE see TAYLOUR.

GITTONS *alias* LLOYD, JOHN (1445-1505); of Shrewsbury, draper. M.P. Shrewsbury 1478, 1484.

S. of Jevan Lloyt of Longnor, Salop, weaver.

Admtd. burgess of Shrewsbury, Oct. 1465, as "John Lloyt *alias* Guttyns, draper, son of Jevan Lloyt." Bailiff of Shrewsbury 1482, 1490, 1494; contributed 43s. 4d. to the "benevolence" 1491; was sued for a corrody at St. Peter's Abbey, Shrewsbury, which had been pledged to him, 1475/85.⁵ In 1494, as bailiff, he received Henry VII, who was lodged in the abbey, and the account of the feast has survived. Gittons records that he rode before the King carrying the mace from the abbey to the castle; how he surrendered the mace to the King at Stanbrig, and how he was commanded to keep the town's liberties which were shown the King. In 1500 both John Gittons and his s. Richard are named in a deed; and he held lands in Meole-Brace, Pulley, Horton and Woodcote, Salop.⁶

¹ According to the will of Jane, sometime w. of William Girlington of York, his s. Nicholas married Elizabeth (*Test. Ebor.* ii. 93-5). ² *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

³ He must have *m.* Joan (Jane), *alias* Janet, for in 1454 Nicholas Girlington and other exors. of William Girlington, draper, and Janet his w., sued John Marshall, sometime receiver to John, late Cardinal Archbp. of York, in respect of a bond concerning the marriage of William and Janet (*Early Chan. Proc.* 24/52). Janet *d.* in 1457, and her will shows that she *rem.* one Deyne (*Test. Ebor.* ii. pp. 93-95). That her name was Janet Goldyng can be seen from *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/617.

⁴ William Girlington, citizen and draper of York. Bequests to the w. of Nicholas Girlington, his kinsman; to his own w. Jane he leaves a house in Little St. Andrews, and another one to Nicholas Girlington. Exors.:—his w., Richard Warter, citizen and merchant of York, the said Nicholas Girlington, William Stillyngton, John Marton and Robert Warderop.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 54/315.

⁶ *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

GLASYN, JOHN (1415-82); of York, mercer. M.P. York city 1470-1.

M. (1) Ellen; (2) Jane, da. of William Neville of Thornton Bridge.¹

The inventory of the estate of Thomas Gryssop of York, chapman, includes debts owed him by John Glasyn, mercer.² He was made free of York city, 1436; entered the Corpus Christi guild 1451;³ chamberlain, 1452;⁴ sheriff, Mich., 1453-4;⁵ a York elector 1453, 1472, 1478; pardoned, 8 Feb. 1460, "of York, merchant, *alias* mercer" (m.6). The will of William Neville esq., pr. 1468/9, shows his widow Jane,⁴ and 22 Feb. 1483 the bp. of Dromore has licence to veil Jane Neville, *alias* Glasyn, widow of John Glasyn of York, merchant.⁵ So that he probably *m.* Jane, his second wife, *c.* 1470.

Will, dat. 28 Dec., pr. 2 May 1483.⁶

GLOUCESTER, JOHN (1415-80); of Southwark. Clerk of the Gt. Roll of the Exchequer 1445-61; lawyer; coroner; bailiff of Southwark 1453-72; customer of Sandwich. M.P. Southwark and Melcombe Regis 1449 (1); Shoreham and Melcombe Regis 1449-50; Melcombe Regis 1450-1.

Possibly s. of John Gloucester, M.P. for Southwark in 1423 and for Ludgershall in 1431, who was apparently living in 1436 as purveyor of coals to the Scullery.

Clerk to Robert Cawood, clerk of the great roll of the Exchequer in 1441 and 1444; himself clerk of the great roll, July 1445 to Dec. 1461, with £10 a year salary.⁷ He was one of those parishioners of St. Margaret's, Southwark, who founded a guild there, May 1449. Styled "clerk of the Exchequer", he had a grant of two crofts in Willesden, Apr. 1449;⁸ admitted to Lincoln's Inn, 1451; one of the keepers of Dodmerton, Glos., in Mar. 1453, on the mainprize of Andrew Keble (*q.v.*) of Kent, gent., controller of the gt. roll;⁷ bailiff of Southwark and elector in Surrey, 1453 and 1472; J.P. Mdsx., 4 Apr. 1455 till removed at the Readeption in 1470; on comns. in Kent 1451 and 1458, and in Mdsx. from 1457 to 1477. He was granted the custody of the lands and heir of Robert Wichingham during the minority of the s. and h. John, but John had been abducted, and a comn. was apptd. in Warwickshire to enquire into whose hands the heir had come, Nov. 1456. In 1455 and 1460 livery of cloth was issued him as engrosser of the Writs at the Exchr.;⁹ a yeoman of Southwark sued John Gloucester of Southwark, engrosser,¹⁰ for trespass; and as engrosser¹⁰ of London, he was owed 40 marks in 1458; he was Coroner of Surrey in 1460. With other Lancastrians he was pardoned, 12 Feb. 1462, as "of Southwark, gent., *alias* esq., *alias* engrosser,¹⁰ *alias* collector and customer in Sandwich" (m.45). John Gloucester was robbed at Brentford in Mar. 1472.¹¹

Here is an Exchequer official, clerk of the Gt. Roll, one who was actually the engrosser of the Gt. Roll, twice doubly returned, and three times entered as member

¹ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

² *Test. Ebor.* iii. 104.

³ Lists & Indices, MSS. York.

⁴ *Test. Ebor.* iii. 263

⁵ *ibid.* iv. 341.

⁶ To be bur. at St. Michael's-le-Belfrey, near his w. Ellen (*ex inf.* W. J. Paylor).

⁷ Issue Rolls *passim*.

⁸ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 139.

⁹ *Exchq. Accts.* 361/6.

¹⁰ It is open to question whether "*ingrossator*" meant "wholesaler," "grocer" or "engrosser of deeds." It must surely be the last. How else explain these *aliases*, Lincoln's Inn and the Coroner?

¹¹ *Anc. Indicts.* K.B.

for the Crown borough of Melcombe. This is an illuminating identification. It seems slightly more probable that he suggested his own name to the sheriffs of Dorset and Sussex, than that he filled his own name into a blank. The imaginary conversation would be:—Sheriff—“But we can’t possibly find anybody. I tell you there are only half a dozen hovels.” Gloucester—“Gadsooks, man! then put down mine. We must have your Return made properly.” It raises a further nice issue. How far did the clerk of the Great Roll of the Exchequer perform functions now exercised by the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery? The Clerk of the Great (Pipe) Roll is one of the six chief Exchequer officers whose payment is recorded regularly every six months on the Issue Rolls.

GLOVER, JOHN (1410-60/1); auditor of accounts. M.P. Warwick boro’ 1449 (1).

John Glover was appointed jointly with John Lutlington, as auditor of the accounts of the ministers of the possessions late of Edmund Tudor, earl of Richmond, Feb. 1459; and of the bishopric of Durham 1457-8.¹ It is possibly the same man who was purveyor of the avenary of the Household in 1453 and 1455. Certainly he was the John Glover who was made auditor of the lordship of Denbigh, late of Richard, duke of York, on 17 June 1460. That office came to an end within a few days—possibly his life as well.

As there is no Warwick Glover at all, the auditor seems the most probable identification; and he probably died during the troubles 1460-1, as he is not among the officials pardoned in Feb. 1462. The John Glovers of Berks. and Bucks., sworn to the peace in 1434, remain out of the picture.

GLOVER, PHILIP (1445-1500); of Hereford. M.P. Hereford city 1491-2.

Mayor of Hereford 1487-8;² on gaol delivery comm., Hereford 1496.

GLYN, JOHN (1448-1512); of Morval, Corn.; tin-controller; lawyer. M.P. Old Sarum 1478; Launceston 1491-2.

S. and h. of John Glyn of same (an attorney, murdered 29 Aug. 1472),³ by Jane; ; m. Katherine da. of Humphrey Fulford and widow of Ralph Prye; she d. 1525.⁴

Admtd. Lincoln’s Inn 1470/1, and pardoned three vacations considering that he would sustain great labours with regard to prosecuting the appeal as to the death of his father;⁵ eschr. of Lincoln’s Inn 1474-5; put out of the society for using unseemly words in the presence of the governor 1478/9, and only readmitted on fine; again put out of commons for playing cards within the Inn and readmitted on a fine of 21s.⁶ He was suing John Anger for detention of deeds, 1475/85;⁷ was practising piracy in Cornwall, 1483;⁸ complained of trespass in Cornwall,

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1458), 416.

² Duncumb, *Herefordshire*.

³ Murdered by Thomas Clemens (q.v.) (*Rot. Parl.* vi. 35).

⁴ Vivian, *Cornish Pedigrees* 178.

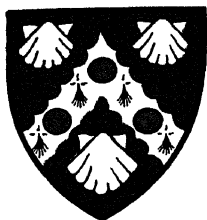
⁵ *Black Books of Lincoln’s Inn*, 53.

⁶ *ibid.* 66, 146, etc.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 53/24.

⁸ Comm. apptd. on complaint of William le Goauth of Brittany that he seized *le Nicholas* and carried it off to Fowey, contrary to treaty (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1483, 355).

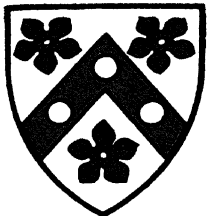
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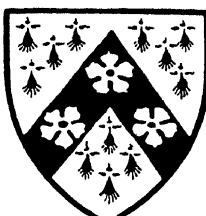
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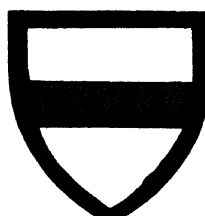
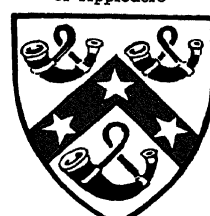
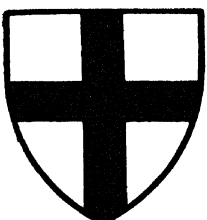
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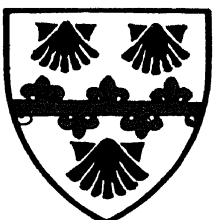
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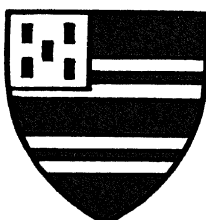
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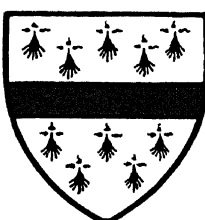
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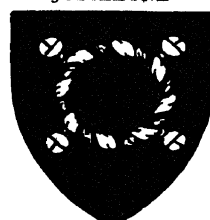
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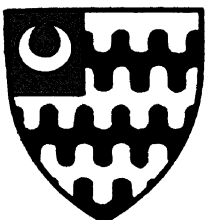
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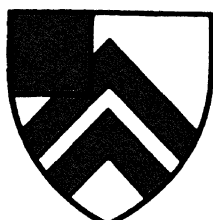
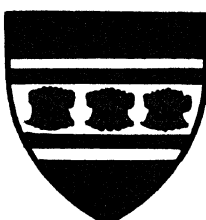
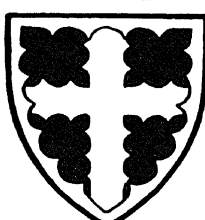
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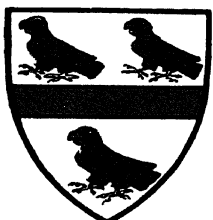
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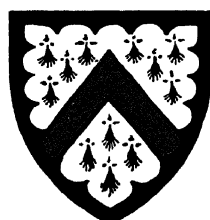
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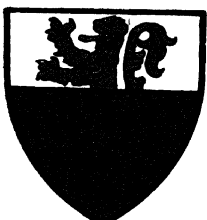
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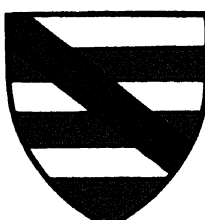
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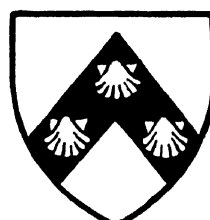
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1489; on comns. of oyer 1500, of subsidy 1504; one of the tin-mine owners pardoned in 1508, no doubt on payment; apptd. controller of the coinage of tin in Cornwall, *vice* Thomas Arundel, decd., 17 Feb. 1509.¹ J.P. Cornwall, 12 Dec. 1492 till death.

D. 3 May 1512,² when his son of the same name was yeoman usher of the Crown.

GODARD, JOHN (1450-1500); of Winchelsea. M.P. Winchelsea 1485-6.

Mayor of Winchelsea 1489-90. A John Godard was M.P. for Sandwich 1377-1402, and *Thomas* Godard was mayor of Winchelsea in 1502.

GODEMAN see GOODMAN.

GODFREY (GODEFRAY), JOHN (1410-65); of Winchelsea; keeper of Eltham. M.P. Winchelsea 1442, 1449 (1).

On a piracy comn. at Winchelsea, 1450; £100 was owed to John Godfrey, "carbolle", and Susan his wife, in London, Aug. 1455.

D. just before 19 Apr. 1465, when a fresh grant was made of the custody of Eltham, Kent, void by the death of John Godfrey.

GODFREY, RICHARD (1440-1501); of Northill, Beds. M.P. BEDFORDSHIRE 1467-8,³ 1491-2.

S. of Henry Godfrey "of Norrell"⁴ (*d.* 1460), by Jane de Meppershall of Northill (*d.* 1492); *m.* (1) Elizabeth da. of Nicholas Conysford,⁵ and (2) Margery who survived him.

Feoffee in 1462 for Reynold Butler of "Northyvell".⁶ J.P. Beds., 3 Mar. 1467 till made sheriff 1493; 27 Nov. 1499 till death. Eschr., Essex and Herts., 1470-1. On all Beds. comns. from May 1471, including all those of 1483-4 and the subsidy of Jan. 1488. One of the founders of a guild at Biggleswade, 1475. Elector, Beds., 1478; sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1489-90, 1493-4.

D. 1501. Will, dat. 1 Sept. 1500, pr. 24 Oct. 1501.⁷ In Apr. 1506 John Vintner of Cardington was granted the custody of the lands and heir of Richard, decd., and the marriage of the s. and h. Richard, and the custody of the dower lands of the widow Margery. From the will and the nonage of the heir it would seem that all five children were by the second wife.

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1509) 598.

² See note 4 on p. 380.

³ The Christian name only is given on the Return. Fine Roll, 8 Edw. IV, m.13.

⁴ *Visitn. Beds.* 16.

⁵ *Ex inf.* Miss Margery Fletcher.

⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 263.

⁷ To be bur. at "Northenel" beside his w. Elizabeth. Bequests to w. Margery, and the goods she brought him; to s. Richard plate of gold at Northenell; to das. Anne, Margaret, Elizabeth, Katherine £20 each; to his relative William Skipwith who rents his land at Hitchin; to Thomas Grey a horse and a long toga trimmed with white lambs wool. Residue equally among five children. Exors.:—John Fissher and John Mordaunt, King's serjeants-at-law, William Gascoign, Robert Spencer, William Leventhorpe, Thomas Grey. Supervisors, George, earl of Kent, and Katherine his countess. Also Margery his w. is to have "Northenel" for life, reversion to Richard and heirs male, remainder to testator's heirs of body, according to the last will of my father Henry Godfrey. He mentions Margaret Godfrey, late abbess of Elneſtow (P.C.C., 2. Blamyr).

GODMANSTON (GODMERSTON), JOHN (1405-59); of Frinton-on-Sea. M.P. ESSEX 1445-6, 1449 (1).

John Godmanston esq. s. and h. of William Godmanston of Frinton esq., bought 125 ac. in Clacton, 2 Dec. 1430.¹ His s. William fought at Barnet and was attainted.

Sworn to the peace in Essex, 1434; feoffee at Ardleigh in Essex, Feb. 1444; sheriff, Essex and Herts., 1452-3; elector, Essex, 1429, 1435, 1449 (2); J.P. Essex, 22 Jan. 1457 to 15 Nov. 1458. On all the Essex comms. 1436 to 1456; pardoned, 6 Jan. 1459, as "esq., of Little Bromlegh, Essex, *alias* of Frynte, Essex" (m.37).

He is called "a great admirer of the fine arts," and helped Waynflete to found Magdalen College, Oxford, in 1448. The Master of the Hospital of St. John, Oxford, granted to John Godmanston of Essex, esq., by charters of 19 and 20 June 1448, certain lands in Oxford; the lands were granted that William Waynflete might found a Hall in honour of the B.V.M. and St. Mary Magdalene on parcel thereof; therefore the King pardons all dues connected therewith, 25 July 1448.² In 1449/50 he was an assessor of the subsidy in Essex.³

D. 24 Apr. 1459, when William, aged 24, was his s. and h.; and on 15 May 1460 the eschr. of Essex was ordered to hold his inquest on Margaret who was wife of John Godmanston.⁴

GODWYNE see GOODWIN.

GOLDING, HUGH (1420-80); ald. of Bath. M.P. Bath 1467-8.

He was living in Walcote st., 1450; supervisor of the will of William Birkhill of Bath,⁵ 1453; collector of subsidy in Bath, 1453.⁶ An alderman in 1475.

GOODKNAP, WILLIAM (1455-1501/4); of Hull. M.P. Hull 1495.

There was a John Goodknap of Alford, Lincs., in 1456—maybe the father.

Sheriff of Hull 1493-4; mayor 1497-8.⁷ D. 1501/4; will of William Goodknap, of Hull, dat. 25 June 1501, pr. at York, 26 Aug. 1504—bequests to churches.⁸

GOODLOCK (GOODLOK), GEOFFREY (1400-52); of Isleworth, Mdsx.; of the Chancery, 1442-52. M.P. Ludgershall 1432; Wells 1435, 1437; Romney 1445-6; Reigate 1447; Romney 1449 (1), 1450-1.

In Mar. 1442 Goodlock and John Morker were granted the office of Spigurnel of the Chancery to hold in person or by deputy, and Goodlock was further granted an annual livery at Christmas of a vesture of the suit of the esquires of the Household, which grant Morker already had; exempted from serving on juries, assizes, etc., 1443. Bailiff of Romney, 1445, 1448.⁹ When at the Parliament of Bury St. Edmunds, he was added to the pardon roll, 8 Feb. 1447, and described as of Isleworth, Mdsx. (m.5). He was paid 20s. by Romney for being at the Parliament of 1449 (1).¹⁰

¹ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1430), 98.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1448), 170; Richard Chandler, *Life of Waynflete* (1811), 49.

³ Fine Roll, 28 Hen. VI (m.6).

⁴ *ibid.* 38 Hen. VI (m.22).

⁵ *Somerset Wills*.

⁶ Fine Roll, 31 Hen. VI (m.4).

⁷ Sheahan, *Hist. of Hull*, 296.

⁸ *Test. Ebor.* iv. 61 n.

⁹ *Ex inf.* Miss Roper.

¹⁰ *Hist. MSS. Com. Report V.* p. 545.

D. 1452; will as of Isleworth, Mdsx., dat. Oct., pr. 8 Nov. 1452.¹ He left everything to his wife Elizabeth, whom he made executrix. She survived him until 1486, presumably having remarried a man of the name of Potenhams, and the children mentioned in her will are probably the children of this later marriage. She left instructions to be buried next to Geoffrey in the church of All Saints, Isleworth.²

In some way or other Goodlock must have been connected with John Stafford, the Lord Chancellor; for, when Goodlock sat for Wells, Stafford was Bishop of Bath and Wells, and, when he sat for Romney and was made bailiff of Romney, Stafford was Archbp. of Canterbury, with whom the right to appoint the bailiffs of Romney lay. Also, through all this time, from 1432 to 1450 Stafford was Lord Chancellor, in whose office Goodlock was spigurnel.

GOODMAN (GODEMAN), WILLIAM; of Lewes and of Alkham, Kent.³
M.P. Lewes 1449 (1).

He was perhaps son of John Goodman, M.P. for Lewes in 1447. There had been other Goodmans, Members for Lewes, and he was doubtless a burgess of Lewes; but he may have lived in Kent—for in Jan. 1448 John Den of Hythe broke the close of William Goodman of Alkham, Kent, and took 11 sheep.⁴

GOODWIN (GODWYNE), JOHN (1385-1457); of Wells, glazier.
M.P. Wells 1423, 1427, 1450-1.

He was a glazier of Wells in the Wells City Charters, 1413; "Master of the City of Wells," 1434; executor, with William Carent M.P., of the will of John Stourton of Preston-Plucknett in 1438;⁵ and a witness to a writing of the bishop of Bath and Wells in Dec. 1452, called "burgess". He occurs as a pledge in the Wells City Charters continuously down to 1456, but not thereafter.

GOODWIN, JOHN. M.P. Calne 1453-4.

Once upon a time Queen Margaret wrote to John Goodwin to obtain a mare and foal for her; but there were more than one John Goodwin. A John Goodwin was M.P. for Calne in 1305.

GORE, THOMAS (1410-65); of Henton in Steeple Ashton, Wilts. M.P.
Devizes 1455-6.

In 1408 there was a grant of Broughton-Gifford, Wilts., by Thomas Gore to Thomas s. of Robert Gore, and to Jane his wife. In 1448 Thomas Gore "of Henton"⁶ conveys the same to feoffees—Sir Robert Hungerford, Sir John Baynton, Walter Parle and Thomas Tropenell—which had descended to him by the death of Jane, late wife of Thomas Tropenell junr.⁷

¹ Lambeth, 261 Kempe.

² P.C.C., 26 Logge.

³ The family held land in Wivelsfield, Sussex, in 1385. See John Godman M.P. Lewes 1392, etc., *d.* 1400 (*Family of Godman*, P. S. Godman).

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1448), 309.

⁵ *Somerset Rec. Soc.* xlvii, pp. 105-49.

⁶ Gore of Melksham bought Alderton c. 1392, and had land at Henton in 1442 (G. M. Young).

⁷ *Tropenell Cart.* ii. 263.

GORE (GOORE), THOMAS (1415-80); of Gore Court, Kent. M.P. Dover 1450-1, 1463-5.

He is called by Bavington-Jones, an officer of Dover Castle and of Gore Court, Kent.¹ He was Chamberlain of Dover 1434-5, 1439-40, 1456-8; a jurat of Dover from 1451 to 1470, and almost certainly earlier; mayor of Dover 1449, 1450, 1456, 1457, 1459, 1460, 1462 and 1467.² If he was really an officer of Dover Castle, then there can have been little democracy in the government of that Cinque Port. In 1476/7 Romney paid Thomas à Gore for a capon given to the Lord Cardinal.³

GORING, JOHN (1435-1496); of Lancing, Sussex; ? lawyer. M.P. SUSSEX 1467-8; (? 1470-1).

Perhaps son of John Goring, sworn to the peace in Sussex in 1434; *m.* Agnes, da. and coh. of William Bekke of Chidham, Sussex.

On Sussex comns. from 1462, styled "younger" till the Readeption comns. of 1470, including all those of 1483-4 except the subsidy of Apr. 1483—so that he may have been M.P. Sussex in 1483 Jan. J.P. Sussex, 5 July 1461 "younger" to 20 June 1471, 10 Nov. 1475 to Sept. 1485, 2 Oct. 1486 till death; feoffee for Henry Percy, earl of Nhd., in Somerset and Dorset 1463;⁴ a feoffee of Brabourne, Kent, for John Lewkenor in 1465 and surviving 1495;⁵ feoffee for Surrey lands 1466-7;⁶ helped to found a chantry at Chichester for the Okehurst family in 1467. Pardoned, 30 Jan. 1472, "of Barketon, Sussex, gent., *alias* late of Southlannsyng, senior, gent., *alias* late of London, gent." So he may have sat in the 1470-1 Parliament. More probably a lawyer, for he was so often a feoffee. As he was "senior" in 1472 it may well be his son who sued Thomas Bellingham for land in Chidham, Sussex, as "John son of John and Agnes Goring da. of William Bekke"⁷—who was also under arrest in Guildford gaol in 1484.

To judge from his J.P.ships John Goring *d.* 18 Feb./12 Dec. 1496.

GOSEBOURN (GOSEBONE), HENRY (1470-1522); ald. of Canterbury. M.P. Canterbury 1504.

Thomas and *William* Gosebourne were sworn to the peace in Kent, 1434. Henry was comnr. of gaol delivery at Canterbury, 1510 and 1513.

D. 1522; will of Henry Goseborn, gent. and alderman of Burgate ward, dat. 11 Apr. 1522. To be bur. in St. Alphege's church. Lands in Canterbury and Kent to s. Edward; mentions wives Katherine and Agnes—das. Margaret and Anne, Elizabeth w. of Edward Gay, Agnes w. of Robert Harding, and Alice Symon. Exor.:—bro. Master Robert Gosebourne.⁸

GOSSE, WILLIAM (1420-75); of Bridgwater. M.P. Bridgwater 1449 (1), 1460-1.

Heir of Richard Gosse, customer of Bridgwater 1439-46, who came from Wembdon, Somerset.⁹

¹ *Annals of Dover*, 290. ² Dover Accts., Add. MS. 29810, 29616; Statham, *Hist. of Dover*.

³ *Hist. MSS. Com. v.*, Romney MSS., p. 545. ⁴ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. pp. 199, 228.

⁵ *ibid.* p. 461. ⁶ *Geneal.* xix. 103. ⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 61/226.

⁸ *Test. Vetust.* p. 597. Master R. Gosebourne (*d.* 1523) was incumbent of St. Alphege's Church (Stephenson, *Mon. Brasses*, 213).

⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1446), p. 27.

In the Borough Accounts for 1449 payment is made of 40s. to Mansell and Gosse, being burgesses of the town to Parlt. In 1453 William Goos was to be arrested and brought before the King and Council. He was pardoned all arrears of account as heir and tenant of the lands of Richard Gosse, late collector of customs in Bridgwater, decd. and as heir to Margery, widow and executrix of Richard, Nov. 1461. He shared in a grant of Huntspill Marsh, Som., forfeited by the Earl of Wilts., Dec. 1461. But the mayor of Bridgwater was directed to arrest William Gosse and John Gosse once more and bring them before the King and Council, July, 1472, and only silence follows.

GOURELEY, WILLIAM; auditor of the Exchequer. M.P. Horsham 1453-4.

In 1443 William Goureley had a grant of the reversion of the keeping of the castle of Horston, Derbys. In 1448 Goureley and John Byrston had a joint grant in survivorship of the office of Auditors of the accounts rendered by ministers of the King in the Exchequer. He seems to have come from Derbyshire, for, in 1443/50 or 1455/7, he was suing Thomas Neville, late sheriff of Notts. and Derbys., on a bond.¹

GOWER, DAVID (1405-52); of Reading; yeoman of the avenary 1430-52; rider of Windsor forest. M.P. Reading 1447.

David Gower is called yeoman of the avenary in Feb. 1430.² It must be the same David Gower who gave 3s. 4d. to the work of St. Laurence, Reading, 1440;³ was a pledge in Reading, 1445; owed the Reading guildhall 20s. in Apr. 1446; and sat for Reading in 1447. In Oct. 1452 John Marshall, yeoman of the chamber, was granted the office of riding forester of Windsor forest, as David Gower, decd., had had the same. Windsor forest is near Reading, and to be its forester was a regular Household appointment such as a yeoman of the avenary might well hold. Moreover, David Gower does not appear any more in Reading.

He died therefore 1452, and is perhaps the father of Edward Gower, M.P. (1430-85), clerk of the works at Clarendon.

GOWER, EDWARD (1435-90); of Beverley, Yorks., esq., *alias* stock-fishmonger. Clerk of the Works at Clarendon 1461-72; Usher of the Chamber 1484-5. M.P. Helston 1467-8; (somewhere? 1484).

Perhaps s. of David Gower, rider of Windsor, M.P. (1400-52) or related to Sir Thomas Gower of Sittenham, M.P. (1435-85).

On 11 May 1461 he was made clerk of the works at Clarendon for life with 12d. a day, and he accounts as such 1461-71,⁴ and was duly exempted 1464, 1467/8. But he was a feoffee of land in London in 1463, and in Bucks., with the Bishop of Exeter in 1465. In 1465/70 he was suing feoffees to uses for lands in Cottingham, late of Thomas Gower (d. 1461);⁵ as of London, gent. he was a mainpernor for the Bp. of Worcester as keeper of the temporalities of the bishopric of Llandaff, Mar. 1467.⁶ Pardoned, 28 June 1469, "of London, esq., *alias* gent., *alias* stock-

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 15/123.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1430) 3.

³ Kerry, *Reading*, p. 12.

⁴ *Exchq. Accts.* 460/11.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/336.

⁶ Fine Roll, 7 Edw. IV (m.6).

fishmonger, *alias* late of Beverley, Yorks., esq." (m.2)—a rare and remarkable combination. The Readeption government made him troner and peseur of the port of London, 23 Oct. 1470, and renewed his clerkship of Clarendon, 26 Jan. 1471. Edward pardoned him, 14 Dec. 1471, "of London, esq., *alias* stockfishmonger, *alias* late of Beverlae, Yorks., esq."; but the Clarendon office was transferred to Thomas Troys, 27 Feb. 1472.

Both Gowers rose again with the coming of Richard III. Edward was made Usher of the Chamber and granted the keeping of Batchworth, Herts. Pardoned, 20 Feb. 1485, "stockfishmonger of London, late clerk of the King's works at Penn and Clarendon, Wilts." (m.13). Batchworth was transferred elsewhere, 24 Sept. 1485, "in as ample a manner as the rebel Edward Gower had the same." But he was not slain—pardoned, 11 Dec. 1485, esq. *alias* of London esq., *alias* stockfishmonger, *alias* late of Beverley, Yorks., *alias* late of More, Herts. (m.7). More is Moor Park where George Neville, archbp. of York, lived till his arrest in 1472.

GOWER, (Sir) THOMAS (1435–85); of Sittenham and Sheriff Hutton. Knight of Body 1483–5. M.P. Scarborough 1460–1; (and ? 1484).

S. and h. of Thomas Gower of same,¹ captain of Cherbourg and rider of Galtres (*d.* 1461), M.P. Appleby 1435.

Elector, Yorks., 1460 when elected for Scarborough, 1467, 1472 esq. On 27 July 1461, made riding forester of Galtres in his father's place. Yorks. comns. 1463, 1468; escheator Yorks. 1464–5; pardoned, 20 Jan. 1471, "of Stytenham, Yorks., esq., *alias* of Sheriffhuton, *alias* late escheator." To be arrested with Robert and George Gower and men of Scarborough, 20 June 1471; and again, with Sir Launcelot Threlkeld, 4 July 1471. Pardoned, 18 Feb. 1473, "of Sittnam, gent., *alias* esq., *alias* late escheator of Yorks." (m.30). Knighted by Richard of Gloucester in Scotland 1482; J.P. East Riding, 26 June to 5 Dec. 1483; knight of the body, 28 Mar. 1484, with 100 marks a year out of Yorks., increased to £100 a year, 6 Aug. Comns., Yorks., May and Dec. 1484.

He is said to have died 22 Aug. 1485, which is very near Bosworth; and he was succeeded by his son Thomas, who was pardoned, 20 Oct. 1486; and died 28 June 1487, his brother John, aged 15, being his heir. It was only then that the inquest on Sir Thomas was taken—Sittenham worth £38 and "Hoton on Darwent" £20 a year. This is the ancestor in the male line of the Leveson-Gowers, dukes of Sutherland.

GOYLYN, JOHN (1435–1506/7); of Oxford, fishmonger. M.P. Oxford boro' 1472–5.

John Goylyn *senior* was exor. of the will of John Fitzalayn (*q.v.*), pr. 1454 by John Goylyn *junior*; ² J.P. Oxford town, 1475; cit. and fishmonger of London, victualling Calais, Jan. 1477; elector, Oxon., 1478 (called gent.); eschr., Ox. and Berks., *c.* 1480–1; ³ as "senior" he was "of Sandford", 1482.⁴

D. 1506/7; Inq. on John Goylyn, seised of lands in Oxon. and N'hants.⁵

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1461), 151.

² *Liber Albus Oxon.* 75.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1482), 307.

⁴ Wood, *City of Oxford*, iii. 79; *ex inf.* Dr. Salter.

⁵ Inq. *p.m.* 22 Hen. VII, C. Vol. 20, Nos. 117, 122.

GRACE, THOMAS (1420-75); of Dover, haberdasher. M.P. Dover 1463-5, 1470-1.

Chamberlain of Dover 1445 and 1450-1; jurat 1457-8, 1467, 1468, 1469; in 1470 his name is in the list of jurats but crossed out, perhaps because of that unfortunate Parliament in which he sat. In Sept. 1462, and again 10 May 1463, 16 men of Dover were pardoned and the names include Thomas Grace, haberdasher. Mayor of Dover 1462-3 when elected to Parliament. He was elected 16 Jan. 1463 for the Parlt. at York and again on 1 Apr. 1463 when it was changed to Westminster. He witnessed many Dover deeds 1462 to 1467.¹ In 1470/1 he was paid for 16 days at Parliament 32s., and later (for 18 days) 36s.²

GRAFTON, JOHN (1415-65); of Shrewsbury, merchant. M.P. Shrewsbury 1461-2.

In 1445 24 advisory burgesses of Shrewsbury petitioned Parliament; among the 24 is John Grafton.³ He lent money for the defence of Calais in 1450,⁴ and as a merchant of the staple of Calais the Crown was continually in his debt 1454-6.⁴ He may have been dead by 1468, when *Thomas* Grafton of Shrewsbury, merchant of the staple, was pardoned. A Robert Grafton was M.P. Shrewsbury 1386-90.

GRAMFREE see GRAUNDFOTE.

GRANTHAM, EDWARD. M.P. Wareham 1472-5.

Unidentified; perhaps bro., hardly Edward the son (*b.* 1457), of Thomas Grantham of Lincoln M.P. (1430-84). Wareham belonged to the Crown.

GRANTHAM, THOMAS (1430-84); of Lincoln, merchant; victualler of Calais 1473-4. M.P. Lincoln city 1472-5, 1478.

Eld. s. of Seman Grantham, mayor of Lincoln, mercht. (*d.* 1453), by Isabel his first wife.⁵

On comn. *re* archers in Lincoln, Dec. 1457; pardoned, being then merchant of the staple, 1464; mayor of Lincoln 1465-6; victualler of Calais, 1473-4⁶—and William Tytteleley was his factor in Calais.⁷

D. 22 Mar. 1484, when Edward, aged 26, was his s. and h.; seised of Laughton by Wragby, Lincs. Vincent Grantham M.P. Lincoln 1529 may well be his grandson.

GRANTHAM, WILLIAM (1405-65); of Leicester, draper. M.P. Leicester boro' 1449-50.

A William de Grantham was admitted freeman of Leicester in 1364/5,⁸ and may be an ancestor.

He was a plaintiff in an action for wrongful detention brought about by

¹ Statham, *Dover Charters*, 233, etc.

² Brit. Mus. Addl. MS. 29616; and Egerton MS. 2090.

³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 121. ⁴ *ibid.* v. pp. 208, 296.

⁵ *Lincs. Pedigrees* (Harl. Soc.), 421.

⁶ He accounts as Victualler 1473-4 (*Enr. Accts.*, F.14, Ed. IV. B.); *Early Chan. Proc.* 49/39.

⁷ Wm. Tytteleley, factor in Calais of Thos. Grantham of Lincoln, sued Robt. Bate for embezzling money and bills belonging to Grantham, 1482/3 (*Early Chan. Proc.* 62/314).

⁸ Hartopp, *Register of Freemen of Leicester*, p. 44.

Sir Richard Hastings knt. of Kirby, 1435.¹ In 1442 Thomas Gaddesby, saddler, sold his lands in Leicester to William Grantham, draper. He was feoffee in Leicester in 1445, was acting as deputy to the bailiffs in 1443, mayor 1443-4, and steward of Leicester fair 1449/50.

In Apr. 1478 he is described as "now dead", and he might have been dead for 20 years so far as the Leicester records show.²

GRAUNDFOTE (GRAMFREE), BABYLON (1420-80); of Rye esq.; ship-owner. M.P. Rye 1459, 1460-1, 1461-2, 1463-5.

Perhaps s. of Richard Graunford of Broadwater in Sompting, Sussex, gent., who was pardoned 1446 (m.19).

The Gestling Hundred Court introduces Babylon in 1447 at Iklesham, Sussex. The jurors say that Alice Taillour is a common "scolde" and uses "sorserie", amerced 4*d.*; and Jane Danyell conspired with Alice to carry out certain magic arts against Babylon Graunfort to the hurt of his body, amerced 12*d.*³ Babylon was an elector in Sussex 1449 (1). Thereafter the Chamberlain's Accounts of Rye recount his doings; he was paid 6*s.* 8*d.* for the hire of two horses to go to London, 1450;⁴ first on the list of Jurats 1456/7; sold salt to the town, at 3*s.* a load; pardoned, 20 Jan. 1459, as "esq. of Winchelsea *alias* Rye"; bailiff (King's) of Rye 1459-61, 1466-74; during 1459/60 they paid him for 40 days at the Coventry Parlt.,⁵ with extra 10*s.* 8*d.* "for riding up to London whence he was sent up to the King and the Lords, for the town, with excuse, what time it was not as it is now, blessed be God of the grace of amendment and so continue."⁶ All of which means that they had sent Babylon to the "Parliament of the Devils" at Coventry, and wished, after the Earls had landed, that they had kept Babylon at home. Elected again to the Parlt. of 1460,⁶ 1461 and 1463.⁷ On a piracy comm. with the mayor of Winchelsea, July 1461; he and his son John were granted for life the office of bailiff of Rye, 1466; mayor of Rye 1463-75.⁸ In 1468 this "merchant of Rye" is charged as an accessory before the King's bench.⁹ On 28 Jan. 1471 he was pardoned—"late of Rye, merchant, *alias* esq.", again 9 Jan. 1472, "Babilo Graunfort of Rye, esq." By 1474 his son John was a Yeoman of the Crown, and took over, sole, the bailivy of Rye. Babylon was still mayor till 28 Aug. 1475; he had workshops in the market and in the strand, and paid 12*d.* rent for the "Ynnyng at the Gutt";¹⁰ a shipowner in 1475;¹¹ and Master Graundfort was present at the Cinque Ports meeting at Romney in 1476.¹² Both his names show close association with the other side of the channel; though it remains doubtful whether the surname comes from a French Grandfort or from an out-size in shoes.

¹ Hartopp, *Roll of the Mayors of Leicester*, p. 3-34.

² Bateson, *Records of Leicester*, pp. 254, 422, 433, 448, 453.

³ *Sussex Rec. Soc.* xxxvii. 150.

⁴ *Hist. MSS. Comm. Rye MS.* v. 491.

⁵ Rye, Chamberlain's Accounts, i. 87*d.*

⁶ For going for us, 5 Oct. 1460 to 22 Nov., to Parlt. beginning at Westminster 7 Oct., *et postea infra palacium episcopi Londoniensis*, 36*s.* 10*d.* (Chamberlain's Accts. i. 97).

⁷ Paid to the Mayor for riding to York 8 days at 40*d.* a day, 26*s.* 8*d.* (*ibid.* i. 106*d.*); paid the Mayor for his wages for being for the town at the Parlt. held at London, beginning 9 June, from 8 June to 18 June following at 16*d.* a day, 16*s.* (*ibid.* 104*d.*).

⁸ L. A. Vidler, *Rye*, 159.

⁹ Ancient Indicts of K.B. 1467, 9/322.

¹⁰ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* v. 493.

¹¹ *ibid.* p. 494.

¹² *ibid.* p. 495.

GRAVENOR, ROWLAND (1465-1525); of Bridgnorth. M.P. Bridgnorth 1487, 1497, 1504.

He was bailiff of Bridgnorth 1495, 1499, 1502, 1505, 1508, 1510, 1514, 1517, 1520, 1523.¹ Humphrey Gravenor of Farmcot, Salop, was probably his son.

GRAY, JOHN; of Sussex. M.P. Hastings 1449 (1).

John Gray and Richard Greenhill were the exors. of William Lawrence in Sussex, Nov. 1448.

GRAY (GRAA), THOMAS (1450-1515); ald. of York, goldsmith. M.P. York city 1495.

This family had sent many M.P.s from York to Parlt.—John le Graa 1306, William Graa 1347 to 1372, Thomas Graa 1376 to 1396; and a Sir John Graa held land in Lincs. 1467.

Made freeman of York 1469; chamberlain 1481-2;² entered Corpus Christi guild with Margaret his wife, 1485; master of the archiepiscopal mint within the Palace garth, York, 1487; sheriff, 1488-9; alderman from 3 Mar. 1492 till 1514. He lived in St. Sampson's parish; was mayor 1497-8; rented gardens from the city 1505. But he fell on evil days. On 5 June 1506, the Council "having in their tender consideration the great decay and poverty of Mr. Thomas Gray, alderman, ordained that he shall have the oversight of the common work and artillery of the city" for life, receiving 5 marks a year "and keep his room as an alderman. . . . so that he have his cloak and a servant after him." And in May 1514, "not able to bear and maintain the room of an alderman to the honesty and worship of this city" he was allowed to resign and was granted a yearly rent of 4 marks.³

GRAYSON (GRAYSTON), THOMAS (1435-95); of Dartmouth and of Kennford, Devon, and of Exeter and Plymouth, merchant; yeoman of the Chamber 1476-85; customer 1479-85. M.P. Dartmouth 1478; Plymouth (? 1484 while mayor), 1487.

He had Letters of Protection for one year, to stay with Lord Fauconberg in Roxburgh castle, 3 Feb. 1457; made parker of Keirbullok, Corn., June 1461; and, jointly with Avery Cornburgh (*q.v.*), keeper of that and other Cornish manors, 9 Dec. 1461. Therefore he was probably already, like Avery, of the Household. He was comsmd. to seize ships 1475, to arrest rebels 1482. About this time he moved from Dartmouth;⁴ he is called groom of the Chamber, when granted Kennford, Devon, forfeited by Earl of Devon, 1 Sept. 1476—yeoman of the Chamber, when he and Richard Cruse were granted forfeited gear at Topsham, 3 May 1478. The same man is called "of Exeter, merchant, collr. of customs at Exeter and Dartmouth," when in spite of being customer he was granted licence to trade abroad, 26 Nov. 1479; and that grant was repeated, Feb. 1480, "because he is wrongly called Grayston", to Thomas Grayson of Kennford.⁵ John Orenge

¹ Bridgnorth records, *per* H. T. Weyman.

² Davies, *York Records*, 120; Drake, *Eboracum*, 363.

³ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from the York Corporation Minute books.

⁴ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1480), 177.

(*q.v.*) was his deputy collr. at Exeter and Dartmouth 1482; Grayson, yeoman of the Chamber, was pardoned all arrears as collr. of customs, 5 Mar. 1482. He retained all his offices under Richard III; was granted Landulph, Corn., worth £20 a year, 8 Mar. 1484; on a piracy comn., Mar. 1484; pardoned, as "Yeoman of our Crown and collr. of customs at Newcastle, Exeter and Dartmouth, *alias* of Plymouth", 28 May 1484; mayor of Plymouth 1483-4, 1486-7, 1489-90.¹ He lost his offices after Bosworth; but was pardoned, 13 Dec. 1485 as gent.—late Yeoman of the Crown to Edward IV and Richard III, late collr. of customs, late of Exeter, late of Plymouth, merchant (*m.2*).

He occurs in Plymouth as late as 1491,² but must have died soon after. There can be no doubt of the unity of the mayor of Plymouth with the merchant of Exeter, the squire of Kennford, the collr. of customs, and the yeoman of the Crown.

GREBY, WILLIAM (1475-1511); of Lynn, gent. M.P. Lynn 1504.

M. Margaret (*d.* 1506/8),³ widow of John Waleys of Lynn, merchant.

Admtd. freeman 1501/2, with Guybon, his colleague in 1504; mayor of Lynn 1505; bailiff, at some time, of the fee of Richmond and warrener of Swaffham, Norf.—for this post "as held by William Greby" was granted to Edward Vaux, 28 Mar. 1512.⁴

GREEN (GRENE), HENRY (1415-69); of Warminster, Wilts., and of Drayton in Lowick and Grafton-Underwood, N'hants. M.P. WILTSHIRE 1442; NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 1447.

S. and h. of John Green of Warminster, died shortly before 18 May 1433, when Henry was still under age;⁵ *m.* (1), 1439, Constance;⁶ and (2), ? 1451, Margaret, widow probably of alderman John Gedney of Lincoln,⁷ holding dower in Gedney, Lincs.

Feoffee for the Hungerfords, 1441; J.P. Wilts., 7 Jan. 1441 to 16 Mar. 1453; on Wilts. comns., 1442, 1443; sheriff, N'hants., 1444-5; on N'hants. comns. 1446 to the Lancastrian array in Dec. 1459; J.P. N'hants., 26 May 1446 to Sept. 1460. In Apr. 1447, just after he had been M.P., he was granted a yearly fair at Warminster.⁸ In Apr. 1449, because he was seised of Grafton by Worton, N'hants., whereof the woods are within the King's forest of Rockingham, therefor the King disafforested the said woods; and the Parlt. of 1449-50 exempted him as King's Squire from the Act of Resumption in respect of free chase in these woods.⁹ In Jan. 1452 Henry Green and Margaret his wife had a confirmation of one third of Gedney, Lincs., Margaret's dower. Pardoned 1455 as s. and h. of John Green.

¹ R. N. Worth, *Plymouth*, 126.

² East, *Plymouth*.

³ Will of Margaret Greby, dat. 8 Nov. 1506, pr. in P.C.C., 4 Nov. 1508 (7 Bennett).

⁴ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. p. 549.

⁵ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1433), 207.

⁶ In 1439 Henry Green conveys to trustees his manors of Warminster, Westbury and Ditteridge, and the advowson of the last, all in Wilts., for use of himself and Constance, his wife, for life.

⁷ William Frith, late apprentice to John Gedney, alderman, decd., sued one Welby of Gray's Inn, attorney to Henry Green of Melton, N'hants., on a bond, 1443/57 (*Early Chan. Proc.* 16/582).

⁸ *Cal. Chart. Rolls*, vi. 85, 113.

⁹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 195.

Pardoned, with other Lancastrian officials, 11 Feb. 1462;¹ retained with 100 marks yearly out of the issues of N'hants., Jan. 1464; J.P. N'hants., 1 Mar. 1463 till death; sheriff of N'hants., 3 Feb. to 8 Nov. 1465; exempted from all offices, May 1466. That he lived in N'hants., where he was an elector in 1467, may account for his recovery after 1462; for Q. Elizabeth lived at Grafton Regis.

D. 22 Feb. 1469, when Constance, aged 22, wife of John, yr. s. of Humphrey Stafford, duke of Buckingham, was Green's da. and h. In May 1469 his feoffees granted Drayton, N'hants., Warminster, Wilts., and Roding, Essex, to the King's kinsman (Lord) John Stafford, knt.,² and Constance. Comberton was granted to Margaret, the widow, for life, together with Buckworth, Hunts., and Grafton and Hardwick, N'hants.

GREEN (GRENE), JOHN (1400-60); shipowner of Sandwich. M.P. Sandwich 1422, 1423-4, 1427-8, 1432, 1445-6, 1455-6.

John Green, with Adam his brother, and "Molonde" Bocher, all of Sandwich, owners of certain ballingers, were to be arrested for piracy at Plymouth, Apr. 1430; John Beech and Thomas Synt, of Colchester, exors. of Richard Beech, sued John Green of Sandwich for lands in Sandwich, 1433/43.³ He was one of those to support the royal canopy at Queen Margaret's coronation, 1445; was sued, as bailiff of Sandwich, by Andrez Jacobisson of Holland for the seizure of his ship, 1449/53.⁴ Mayor of Sandwich, Dec. 1453 to Dec. 1456; on comn. to defend the Straits of Dover, Dec. 1454; pardoned 20 Apr. 1458, as "late mayor of Sandwich, *alias* mayor, *alias* gent., *alias* merchant" (m.13). Boys says that he was sometime Town Clerk of Sandwich.

GREEN, JOHN (1410-70); of Melcombe. M.P. Melcombe, called "senior", 1460-1.

He was pledge for the Melcombe M.P.s in 1449 (Jan.); and is presumably father of John Green (1435-90), merchant of Melcombe who sat for the borough in 1478.

GREEN, JOHN (1420-73); of Gosfield, esq.; lawyer. M.P. ESSEX 1455-6, 1460-1 (SPEAKER).

The identification of this Speaker depends on his (? second) wife, and two pardon rolls. He *m.* 1451, Edith da. and h. of Thomas Rolf and widow of John Helyon of Gosfield.⁵ She was pardoned, as widow of John Green esq., late J.P. Essex, late comnr. of oyer, 1488.⁶ He was pardoned, 1471, as "of Gosfield

¹ Pardon Roll, 1462, as of Drayton in "Lufwick", N'hants., esq., *alias* late sheriff of N'hants. (m.43).

² Lord John Stafford was brother to the young Earl killed at St. Albans, and to Lord Henry Stafford, husband of the Lady Margaret. He was made Earl of Wilts, 1470, *d.* 1473.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 10/190.

⁴ *ibid.* 7/47.

⁵ In Apr. 1451 John Green of Gosfield and Edith, widow of John Helyon of Gosfield, tenant in chief, were pardoned for marrying without licence (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1451, 427).

⁶ Pardon Roll, 4 Nov. 1488, as "late of Gosfield, widow, late wife of John Green esq., late J.P. Essex, late comnr. of oyer in Essex (i.e. in 1472), *alias* Edith formerly wife of John Elyon of Gosfield" (m.27).

and of Widdington, gent., s. and h. of John Green of Widdington, decd." The man was hardly even a "notable esquire", and that he should have been chosen Speaker requires more explanation than a casual association with Sir John Wenlock in 1451.¹

S. and h. of John Green of Widdington, Essex, living 1452;² *m.* 1451³ Edith, widow of John Helyon of Gosfield and Bumpstead-Helyon.⁴

A feoffee in Essex 1446;⁵ on comns. for Essex from 1448 till death, including the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459, the Yorkist comns. of 1461, and the Readeption comns.; J.P. Essex, of the quorum, 12 May 1453 till death; an attorney in Beds., Essex and Herts., 1450-70;⁶ elected for Essex in June 1455 and again in 1460, when he was chosen Speaker, 7 Oct. 1460. In this Parlt. he was made one of the King's feoffees for the Duchy of Lancaster,⁷ but his sole reward was that he and his brother William were made joint stewards of the Earl of Oxford's forfeited lands in the Eastern counties, Mar. 1462.⁸ The ex-Speaker was at the Council meeting in London, 27 Feb. 1468;⁹ pardoned on the restoration of Edward IV in 1471.

D. 1 May 1473; in Gosfield church are 3 armorial shields and portion of an inscription to John Greene who *m.* Editha da. and h. of Thomas Rolf and his date of death.¹⁰ He had a yr. bro. also John;¹¹ his da. and h. Agnes *m.* Sir William Finderne (*q.v.*).

GREEN *alias* ROBINSON, JOHN (1420-68); of Hull, writer and merchant. M.P. Hull 1461-2.

Before 1457 this merchant of Hull was importing wine from Bordeaux.¹² Pardoned, 9 Oct. 1455, "of Hull, clerk, writer or scrivener" (*m.* 31); and again, 1 Feb. 1458, "of Hull, merchant, *alias* clerk, *alias* writer" (*m.* 11); and again, 20 Feb. 1462 while M.P., "John Robinson of Boston, merchant, *alias* John Greene of Hull, merchant, *alias* late clerk of Richard Anson (*q.v.*), collector of customs in Hull" (*m.* 34). Sheriff of Hull 1454; an elector 1459; collector of customs and subsidy in Hull 1461-3;¹³ mayor 1463-4.

D. 1467/8; will of John Grene, mayor of Hull, dat. 5 July 1464, pr. at York 25 Mar. 1468.¹⁴ On 11 Oct. 1468, "Isabel Grene widow of John Grene, merchant of Hull, late collector of customs, Hull," was pardoned (*m.* 17).

¹ In May 1451 certain feoffees—Sir John Wenlock, John Green elder, William Green, etc.—settle lands in Henlow, Beds., on John Green junior (his yr. bro.), Giles Green, and heirs (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1451, 426).

² In July 1452 John Green of Widdington, Essex, was a co-feoffee in Essex with Humphrey, duke of Buckingham, and John Hampton (*q.v.*) (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 448).

³ See note ⁵ on p. 391.

⁴ In Feb. 1452 the King granted to John and William Green custody of two-thirds of manor of Helion Bumpstead, Essex, in the King's hands by reason of the death of John Helyon and the nonage of Isabel and Philippa, which grant nullified the grant of the marriage of Isabel and Philippa made to Thomas Thorpe (*q.v.*); but in May 1453 Thorpe got these Letters Patent revoked (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1543, 78).

⁵ *Cal. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 208.

⁶ *Plea Rolls*, Easter 28 Hen. VI; Mich. 38 Hen. VI; Easter 10 Edw. IV.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. 387.

⁸ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 445.

⁹ In none of these cases is he ever called "elder."

¹⁰ *Ex inf.* Sir W. Gurney Benham.

¹¹ In 1480/3, John Green the younger of Braughing, Herts., sued William Sendall and others for a message in Braughing, late of his brother, John Green the elder (*Early Chan. Proc.* 33/215).

¹² *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/164.

¹³ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

¹⁴ York Wills, 4. 230.

GREEN, JOHN (1435-90); of Melcombe, merchant, and of Hants. Purveyor to the Household 1483-8. M.P. Melcombe 1478, (? 1485-6).

Perhaps s. of John Green senior M.P. Melcombe in 1460.

He was a pledge for the Melcombe M.P.s in 1467; a purser in Portsmouth 1474; apptd. customer of Southampton, 14 Dec. 1483; purveyed oats and hay for the King's horses, 30 June 1483 to 16 May 1488; eschr. for Hants 1484-5; on comn. for a piracy case in Devon, 1483, and for array in Hants, Dec. 1484, and to repair *la Marie* of Yarmouth, 30 May 1485. Pardoned, 12 Dec. 1485, as "of Melcombe Regis, Dorset., merchant" (m.2).

GREEN (GRENE),¹ Sir ROBERT (1430-73); of Hayes, Mdsx., and of Darcies or Cresbrook in Cheshunt, Herts.; King's Knight 1472-3. M.P. MIDDLESEX 1472 till death.

S. and h. of Walter Green of Hayes (1390-1456) M.P., by his 2nd wife Elizabeth da. of Robert Warner (*d.* 1440) of Cowley Peachey, Mdsx.; *m.* Cecily (*d.* 1481), da. and h. of Sir John Clay (*d.* 1465 (*q.v.*)) of Darcies, by whom he had Edward (*d. s.p.* 1493) and Cecily.²

An exor. of the will of his father-in-law Sir John Clay, 1465;³ a feoffee for Thomas Windsor (*q.v.*) in Stanwell and West Hagbourne, Berks., 1 Feb. 1466;⁴ elector, Mdsx., 1467; comnr. Mdsx., 1467, 1472 (twice); kntd. at Tewkesbury, 4 May 1471;⁵ J.P. Mdsx., 29 Sept. 1472 till death; retained as commander of a force of men-at-arms and archers for service in Burgundy, 1 Dec. 1472.⁶

He must have *d.* in 1473, according to the date of his only comn. of the peace,⁷ and he probably died in France.⁶

GREEN, THOMAS (1405-65); "tapycer" or draper of Leicester. M.P. Leicester boro' 1450-1, 1459.

Described in a Hastings deed as a "tapycer", and resided in the Saturday market.⁸ Mayor of Leicester, 1445-6, 1457-8; steward of the fairs 1448-9; elector, Leicester, 1450 when elected and 1453. He may have descended from William Green, M.P. Leics. 1369. He is certainly not the contemporary Sir Thomas Green of Green's Norton (1400-62).

D. before 1470, leaving issue.

GREEN (GRENE),⁹ WALTER (1390-1456); of Hayes, Mdsx., esq. Controller of Tonnage and Poundage (London). M.P. MIDDLESEX 1414, 1420, 1423-4, 1426, 1429-30, 1435, 1439-40, 1445-6.

¹ Arms:—see those of his father.

² *Middlesex Pedigrees* (Harl. Soc. lxx.), 79; Lyson, *Environs of London*, v. 14; *V.C.H. Herts.*, iii. 451. ³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1465), 436.

⁴ The feoffees included John Holgrave, Chief Baron (*q.v.*), his bro.-in-law; *ibid.* (1466), 476. ⁵ Shaw, *Knights*, ii. 14.

⁶ Charles of Burgundy came to terms with Louis XI; Green and his force must have gone however, for Sir John Paston (*q.v.*), writing from Canterbury, 16 Apr. 1473, says that "the most part of the sowdyors that went over with Sir Robert Green have leeff, and be comyn hom"; *Paston Letters*, No. 723, iii. 89; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1472), 363.

⁷ The next comn. is dat. 18 Dec. 1473.

⁸ Hartopp, *Roll of the Mayors of Leicester*, p. 34.

⁹ Arms:—Az., a chevron ar. between three bucks or. Both his arms and those of his second w., Elizabeth Warner, are on his M.I.

S. of Walter Green of Bridgnorth, Salop ;¹ *m.* (1) ——— da. of ——— Ady,² by whom he had Jane (*m.* Miles Windsor of Stanwell, Mdsx., who had Thomas (*q.v.*)) and Catherine (*m.* Sir Edmund Rede and John Gaynsford (*qq.v.*)) ;³ *m.* (2) Elizabeth (*d.* 1481), da. and h. of Robert Warner M.P. (*d.* 1439) of Hayes, Mdsx.,⁴ by whom he had (Sir) Robert (*q.v.*), John, Jane and Alice (*m.* John Holgrave (*q.v.*)).⁵

On Mdsx. comms. (including *oyer et terminer*), 1416–55 ; J.P. Mdsx., 12 Feb. 1422 to 28 Nov. 1439, and 8 July 1440 till death ; controller of tonnage and poundage in port of London, 11 Mar. 1426, the appt. being renewed, 10 Mar. 1432 ; sworn to the peace in Mdsx., 1 May 1434. On 10 Aug. 1434 he bought from Isabel widow of Thomas Broun, grocer of London, the “Cheker on the hoope” in “Walthamcrouche” and the “Belle on the hoope”, also in Waltham Holy Cross.⁶ He was collr. of wool subsidy and customs at Ipswich, 1439–40 ;⁶ elector, Mdsx., 1437, 1442, 1447 (heading the list), 1449 (1). In 1445 he conveyed premises in Hendon to the Hospital of St. Bartholomew.⁷

D. 8 Dec. 1456 ; will, dat. 6 Dec. 1456, pr. 11 Feb. 1457 ;⁸ bur. in Hayes church—M.I.⁹

GREENFIELD (*alias* COKE), JOHN (1420–61) ; King’s servant ; clerk of Counting House ; steward of Odiham castle 1452–6 ; constable of Winchester castle 1456–60. M.P. Melcombe 1455–6. Lancastrian.

In Sept. 1452 the King’s servant, John Greenfield, was made steward of Odiham.¹⁰ He is described as clerk of the Counting House when he surrendered this grant to be made instead constable of Winchester castle, Nov. 1456 ; pardoned, 14 Feb. 1456, as “*alias* Coke, of Winton, Hants” ; a co-feoffee, with many lawyers, of Dedham, Essex, 1457 ; as King’s servant he got the reversion after Thomas Montgomery’s death of the office of Warden of the Mint in the Tower with a wage of 2s. 6d. a day, Nov. 1458.¹¹ The constablenesship of Winchester, in the King’s hands by act of the Parlt. at Coventry, was re-granted to him, 21 Dec. 1459.¹²

He probably *d.* in the troubles of 1460–1, as he had no pardon ; but a John Greenfield, lawyer and J.P. of the West Riding, 23 Aug. 1460–5, was serjt.-at-law 1463, King’s serjt.-at-law in 1469.

¹ *Middlesex Pedigrees* (Harl. Soc. lxx.), 79.

² “... Ade of St. Ivone (?)” ; *ibid.*

³ *ibid.* But Gaynesford’s will clearly shows Catherine da. of Wakehurst.

⁴ *ibid.* ; Lysons, *Environs of London*, v. 14. In the reign of Richard II the manor of Cowley Peachey (or Pecche) was the property of the Charltons till, in 1431, Sir Thomas Charlton, the Speaker (*q.v.*), conveyed it to Thomas Warner (presumably father of Robert Warner) and others. Robert *d.* seized of it 17 Hen. VI.

⁵ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1434), 323.

⁶ Jointly with one John Hunte ; described as “customer of Ipswich” while on a Suff. comm., 4 May 1439.

⁷ *London & Mdsx. Arch. Soc.*, v. 274.

⁸ P.C.C., 15 Stokton. Bequests to w. Elizabeth, and da. Jane for her marriage. Exors. : Elizabeth, John Gaynsford (*q.v.*), John Arderne, (Sir) Robert, his s. (*q.v.*), and John Catesby, his s.-in-law ; to be bur. at Monken Hadley, Mdsx. (he was actually bur. at Hayes, but also owned lands in Hadley).

⁹ Brass, with his effigy in armour and marginal inscription, on an altar-tomb. “*Hic iacet Corpus Walteri Grene Armigeri qui obiit in Festo Concepciois be Marie Virginis Videlt Octauo die Decembris Anno dni MCCCC ...*”

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1452), 15.

¹¹ *ibid.* (1458), 469.

¹² *ibid.* (1459), 570.

GREENFORD (GRENEFORD), JOHN (1410-74); of Folkestone, Kent, and of London. Steward of Dover 1449-74; lawyer. M.P. Winchelsea 1449-50.

On comns. in Kent 1431 to 1441 and 1451 and 1462; sworn to the peace in Kent, 1434; is described as seneschal of Dover castle when he was paid 6s. 8d. "for his friendship" by Romney corporation, 1448/9;¹ pardoned as "of Folkestone" for being out with Cade, 1450; and Henry Horn of Lydden by Dover was pardoned for having left the service of John Greenford before the end of his term, 1453. A Kent elector, 1453; "seneschal" of Dover castle and steward of the Admiralty Court at Dover, *c.* 1455;² pardoned, 12 Apr. 1458, as "late of London gent., *alias* of Leden (Lydden), Kent, *alias* of Winchelsea"; elector of Kent, 1460; a feoffee to uses in Kent 1465/70. Greenford must have been one of the dictators of Kent after the suppression of the bastard Fauconberg's rebellion; for the Canterbury Accounts note a payment for wine given to Sir Thomas Bourchier, Sir John Fogg, Sir William Hawte, John Greneforth esq., and John Rowe—commissioners of the King at the Castle, Jan. 1472. J.P. Kent, and of the quorum, 18 July 1471 to 24 Nov. 1473.

D. 1474; will dat. 24 Jan., pr. 14 June 1474.³

GREENSHILD, HENRY (1420-71); of Sandwich. M.P. Sandwich 1460-1.

Mayor of Sandwich 1458-9, 1459-60 (elected to Parlt. during office), 1466-7. *D.* 12 Jan. 1471 (possibly 1472) and trustees conveyed his land, Wodenesbergh, Greneshieldes land and Hemwold, to feoffees for the use of St. Thomas Martyr, Sandwich.⁴

GREG see GRIGGE.

GREGORY, WILLIAM (1430-87); of Romney. M.P. Romney 1484.

At various times Romney corporation paid sums of money to William Gregory—9d. for sharpynge, roggyng, and settinges the bomes (booms across the haven mouth), 1468/9, 4d. for carrying a load of hay from Willyngham to the Gote, 1478, 5s. for half a porpoise, 1480/1.⁵

D. 1487, when the will of William Gregory of Romney, senior, was pr. at Canterbury (C.3.142).

GRENE.... see GREEN....

GRESLEY, Sir JOHN (1418-87); of Drakelow, Derbys., and Colton, Staffs.

M.P. STAFFORDSHIRE 1450-1, 1453-4; DERBYSHIRE 1460-1; STAFFORDSHIRE 1461-2; DERBYSHIRE 1478. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Sir John Gresley of the same, M.P. (*d.* 1449), by Elizabeth da. of Sir Thomas Clarell of Aldwark, Yorks.; *m.* in or before 1455, Anne da. of Thomas

¹ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* v. (Romney MSS.) 542.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 72/46.

³ To be bur. in Lydden church next to Font. Bequests to da. Agnes w. of John Copple-dyke (*q.v.*) and to da. Alice w. of John Monyn. Wife Margaret, sole exix. (P.C.C., 15 Wattyss).

⁴ *Inq. Misc.* 21 Ed. IV, No. 27.

⁵ *Hist. MSS. Comm.*, Romney MSS., pp. 545, 546, 547.

Stanley of Elford M.P., and sis. of his colleague in Parlt., Sir John Stanley. His descendants in the male line were till lately still at Drakelow.

Elector, Staffs., 1442, and till his father died he lived at Colton. As of Colton "Knt." he was on the Pardon Roll, 30 May 1446—but he was not then a knight. Eschr., Staffs., 1451-2, and in arms with the Duke of York in 1452; pardoned, 29 June 1452; kntd. 1452/3; sheriff, Notts. and Derbys., 1453-4 (knt.). J.P. Derbys. 1453-8, 1460-70, 1475-87. His feuds with the Vernons of Haddon began in 1455—they were Lancastrian, he Yorkist. He and Roger Vernon were summoned to appear before the King in July 1455—after St. Albans, but the feud continued for eight years; pardoned, 1456. The Lancastrians removed him from the bench in 1458, but he was put on the comn. of array for Derbyshire in Dec. 1459.

When Edward IV came, Gresley and the Blounts ruled Derbyshire and were on all the comns. Sir John went north with Edward IV in Dec. 1462.¹ The Vernons tried the law in vain; even Wolseley, baron of the Exchequer, failed against the law and the tenants of Gresley.² He was made J.P. Staffs. also, 1464 till death, not even removed at the Readeption. Indeed he probably followed Clarence, and was pardoned, 1 Dec. 1471. In 1474 he was one of the permanent retinue of Lord Hastings; but the troubles of 1483-5 passed him by, save for a pardon, 20 June 1484.³

D. 30 Jan. 1487, succeeded by his son Thomas Gresley, M.P. Admstn. of his will was granted at Lambeth, 4 Oct. 1487.⁴

GRESLEY, Sir THOMAS (1455-1504); of Colton, Staffs., and of Drakelow, Derbys. M.P. Stafford boro' 1478; Appleby 1491-2.

S. and h. of Sir John Gresley of Drakelow M.P. (1418-87) by Anne (Stanley); m. c. 1474 Anne da. of Sir Thomas Ferrers of Tamworth castle, by whom he had Sir George Gresley.

He was a retainer of Lord Hastings, 1474; kntd. 1487/8; sheriff, Staffs., 1489-90, when he was given a "reward" of £100, and 1497-8. He lived at Colton during his father's lifetime. The list of the Commons House in 1491 gives Thomas "Grisley" as M.P. for Appleby. No such person can be found in Westd. or Cumbd. and the name should probably be "Thomas Gresley, knt."

D. at Drakelow, 28 Jan. 1504, when William, aged 23, was his s. and h.; lands, Derbys., Staffs., Leics. and Lincs. His wife Anne survived him.⁵ Will, dat. 25 Jan., pr. 26 Apr. 1504.⁶

GRESSINGTON, WILLIAM; of Lincoln. M.P. Lincoln city 1447, 1449 (1).

He was a Lincoln city elector in 1453. Grassington is in Yorkshire.

¹ *Staffs. Colls.*, 1934, 77.

² *ibid.* pp. 78-86.

³ "John Gresley of Drakelow, late esq. now knt., *alias* late J.P. of Edward IV, *alias* late of Colton." (m.28).

⁴ *Staffs. Colls.* i. N.S. pp. 57-61.

⁵ *Staffs. Colls.* 1917, 26-34.

⁶ To be bur. in Gresley Abbey. £40 a year to fulfil a marriage contract with Sir William Vernon—between Vernon's s. and Gresley's da. Benet, and for the marriage portion of Gresley's das. Elyn and Mary; 10 marks a year to each of his yr. sons, John, George, Robert and James; Dame Anne to enjoy all his purchased estates for life. Exors. :—w. Anne, Sir George Hastings, and Dan Robert, priest of Gresley. Witnesses—Geoffrey Willers esq., John Laugharn, gent. (P.C.C., 7 Holgrave).

GREVET, THOMAS.

M.P. Shoreham 1442.

No mention found.

GREY, HENRY (1400-54); of Ketteringham, esq. M.P. NORFOLK 1450-1.

Sheriff, Norfolk and Suffolk, 1430-1, 1434-5; escheator 1437; a comnr. in Norfolk 1438. In June 1454 he was one of those who informed the Justices of the riots done by Robert Ledham,¹ and he was dead in Sept. 1454, when his son Henry was in ward to Lord Grey of Ruthyn.² This son Henry was keeper of the armoury in the Tower, was knighted at Tewkesbury, and died "very old" and owner of Ketteringham³ in 1496.

GREY, Hon. Sir JOHN (1445-99); (Lord Grey of Wilton). Knt. of Body 1483-5. M.P. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 1478, (? 1484); sumnd. 1497.

S. and h. of Reynold, lord Grey of Wilton, Heref. (1420-94), by Tacine, illeg. da. of John Beaufort, duke of Somerset; *m.* (1) Lady Ann Grey da. of Edmund, earl of Kent, (2) Elizabeth widow of Sir Thomas Cokesey M.P. and da. of Thomas Vaughan.⁴

He was granted the tronage and pesage of Southampton, 28 Nov. 1469; Richard III granted him £40 a year for life, 17 Sept. 1483; and, for his good service against the rebels, gave him the manor of Whethampstead, Beds., forfeited by Sir Roger Tocotes (*q.v.*); on comn. to arrest the rebels, 10 Dec. 1483. Kntd. 1478/83. J.P. Heref., 29 June 1487 to 11 Mar. 1497; on Bucks. comns. Dec. 1483 to 1491, including both arrays of 1484; J.P. Bucks., 20 May 1493 till death; summoned to Parlt. as Lord Grey of Wilton, Nov. 1496; but not in 1495.

D. 19 Dec. 1499, when Edward, aged 40, was his s. and h.; lands—Lincs. etc.⁵

GREY (GRAY), RALPH (1405-63); of Brent-Pelham, esq., lawyer. M.P. HERTFORDSHIRE 1439-40.

As esq. of "Brendpelham" he was one of those taking recognisances in 1433;⁶ a feoffee for land in Farnham, Essex, in 1437.⁷ Elector, Herts., 1437; J.P. Herts., and of the quorum, 28 Nov. 1439 (after his election) till death; J.P. also of Cambridge town, 7 Feb. to 8 Oct. 1460; elector, Herts., 1449 (2), 1450 when called "gent.", and 1455; on comns. in Herts. 1442 to 1461, including many gaol deliveries and the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459; also on the Yorkist comns. in 1461. In July 1458 he and Thomas Erskine had the wardship and marriage of John, s. and h. of John Harleston; and in Nov. 1458 he was one of those who founded a chantry at Wimpole, Cambs., in memory of William Staundon, mayor of London. As Ralph Gray the elder he was a feoffee of Liston-Overhall, Essex, in May 1462.

D. 31 Dec. 1463, when Ralph, aged 24, was his s. and h.; lands—Brent-Pelham.

GREY, (Sir) RALPH⁸ (1427-64); of Chillingham, Heton and Wark. Lieut. of Roxburgh 1452-60. M.P. NORTHUMBERLAND 1449 (1).

He is described in the return as "s. and h. of Ralph Grey knt." of Heton;

¹ *Paston Letters*, i. 276.

² *ibid.* i. 302.

³ *ibid.* iii. 380-1.

⁴ *Comp. Peer.* vi. 180-1.

⁵ *Inq. p.m.*, 10 Hen. VIII, No. 278, Vol. 79.

⁶ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1433), 239.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 166.

⁸ Arms:—Gules, a lion within a border engrailed silver.

and Sir Ralph died 1443. His mother was Elizabeth da. of Henry, lord Fitzhugh of Ravensworth, Yorks., and Elizabeth paid 400 marks in Nov. 1443 to have the marriage of her son Ralf (then aged 16), ward of the Crown, whom she married to Jacquette, probably one of Margaret of Anjou's ladies; Jacquette survived him.

In Dec. 1449 Ralf Grey succeeded to his father's lands. By indenture of 1 Mar. 1452 he was retained, with William Neville, lord Fauconberg, as keeper of Roxburgh for 12 years, taking £1,000 a year in time of truce and £2,000 in time of war. Kntd. between 4 May 1452 and 1 Mar. 1453 when an elector, Nhd.; sheriff, Nhd., 1455-6, 1459-60; keeper of the truce with Scotland in June 1457;¹ on Northumbrian comns. 1454 to June 1460.

When Edward IV moved north on Towton he specially put pain of death on any of his followers who should spoil Sir Ralph Grey's lands in the North; and yet Grey probably fought for Henry VI at Towton.² However, the lord of Chillingham joined the Yorkist forces, and in Nov. 1461, with Hastings and Sir John Howard, he was besieging Alnwick castle—then held for King Henry by Tailboys of Kyme. Alnwick fell 31 July 1462, and was entrusted to Grey to hold for Edward.³ What happened then is still obscure. On 21 Nov. 1462 Grey was still trusted and put on a comn. Queen Margaret landed with French troops in that November, and easily re-took the Northumbrian castles. Grey then joined the Earl of Worcester in recovering Dunstanborough for the Yorkists. This they effected (27 Dec.), and the Lancastrians, Somerset and Sir Nicholas Latimer, were sent to Edward IV at Durham and pardoned. Grey and Sir John Ashley were then made joint governors of recaptured Alnwick. Grey quarrelled with Ashley; and, when Margaret and the Scots came South, he turned Ashley out of Alnwick and handed the castle over to Margaret in May 1463.⁴ After Hedgley Moor and Hexham, 15 May 1464, Grey, escaping, fled north and took shelter with Sir Humphrey Nevill in Bamborough. Already in Jan. 1464 the lands and revenues of Sir Ralf Grey, traitor, had been taken into the King's hands, and now, in June 1464, he and Sir Humphrey Nevill were exempted from mercy. They held Bamborough till the walls were beaten down by the Calais cannon; and then Grey being injured and perhaps thought dying, Nevill surrendered, stipulating only for all lives save Grey's, 30 June 1464. Grey was taken to Doncaster, tried, sentenced and beheaded there, 10 July 1464.⁵

His inquest *post mortem* gives Thomas, aged 4, as his s. and h.; his widow, Jacquette, was granted Apr. 1465 all her husband's lands in Northumberland; and the Earl of Northumberland had the custody of Thomas, who was allowed to enter on his lands in Nov. 1473, when only 17 years of age.

It is difficult to explain Edward IV's tenderness towards Sir Ralph Grey, and the restoration of his lands to his widow in 1465, except on the assumption that all Greys, however unrelated, were to him equally dear.

GREY, Sir THOMAS (1435-95); of Crawdon; Squire and knt. of the Body 1461-88; Vice-marshal 1482-3; P.C. 1488-95. M.P. CAMBRIDGESHIRE 1472-5, 1478, (? 1483 Jan.). Yorkist.

¹ *Foedera*, V. ii. 74.

² Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 157. The Scots, to help Q. Margaret, had just taken and rased Grey's castle of Wark.

³ *ibid.* i. 249.

⁴ *ibid.* i. 287.

⁵ *ibid.* i. 337.

Probably a cadet of Grey of Codnor.¹

Squire of the Body with £40 annuity out of Cambridge town, 1461; had custody of Tuddenham's lands, 1462; had grant of Croydon, Cambs., forfeited by Sir William Tailboys of Kyme, 5 June 1462;² J.P. Cambs., 4 July 1461 to 1470, and 10 Dec. 1473 till death; eschr., Norf. and Suff., 1461-3; sheriff, Cambs. and Hunts., 1469-70, 11 Apr. to 9 Nov. 1471; on Cambs. comns. from 1462 to 1486 including the subsidy comn. of Apr. 1483, and the array of 1 May 1484. For his services to the King in war and his loss of his inheritance in Berwick in the hands of the Scots, this King's squire was granted £20 yearly out of Boston customs, 17 May 1465.³ His other service was the keeping of dethroned Henry VI in the Tower.⁴ Pardoned, 21 Nov. 1469;⁵ customer of Southampton, 18 Nov. 1469. At Tewkesbury, according to Fabyan, Sir Thomas Grey was one of those who stabbed one Prince of Wales to emphasise their loyalty to the other; and there he was certainly kntd., 4 May 1471. He had Tilbury by Clare, Essex, forfeited by the Earl of Oxford, 1475; the stewardship of Clavering, forfeited by Clarence, 1478; chamberlain to Duke of York, Jan. 1477; vice-marshal of the constable of England, 14 Nov. 1482; excluded from the Act of Apparel, Feb. 1483,⁶ perhaps again M.P. He took little part under Richard III, but Henry VII made him again knt. of the Body with £20 a year, keeper of Newport, Essex;⁷ steward of Clavering, 21 Nov. 1488, and then called King's Counsellor!

To judge from his comns., he died c. 1495—parentage, wife, issue all unknown. He is not to be confounded with Sir Thomas Grey, born c. 1455 to Elizabeth Wydevile, cr. Earl of Huntingdon in 1471, and Marquess of Dorset.

GREY, THOMAS (1450-1507); of Cople, Beds., esq. M.P. WARWICKSHIRE 1491-2.

He may be the Thomas Grey of Haddenham, Cambs., nephew to the Bp. of Ely, who was made assistant supervisor of the bishop's manors in 1469.⁸ He was engaged for service as a custrell in the French expedition for one year from 13 Nov. 1474, at the enormous wage of 1s. a day and 6d. a day bonus. He was to attend about the King's person with six archers, each at 6d. a day.⁹ He was exor. of the will of Richard Godfrey of Northill, Beds. (q.v.), in 1500, and a feoffee in Suffolk, 1504.¹⁰

D. 1507; will of Thomas Grey of "Cowpull," Beds., mentions lands also in Leics. and Warw.¹¹

¹ A Thos. Grey "knt." (?) supervised in 1469 the manors of Wm. Grey, bp. of Ely (1410-78); and the bp. of Ely is said to have been a Codnor Grey (*Dict. Nat. Biog.*) (*Early Chan. Proc.* 59/260; 64/363).

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1462), 210; exempted, *Rot. Parl.* v. 534, 588; vi. 81.

³ *ibid.* (1465), 440.

⁴ £106 paid to Thomas Grey esq., for his expenses and the diet of Henry VI in the Tower, and of himself and servants there (Devon, *Issues*, 492).

⁵ As of Little Tilbury, Essex, squire of the Body, late eschr.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 221.

⁷ *ibid.* vi. 221.

⁸ *Ex inf.* Dr. Palmer, Cambridge; but see Thomas Grey knt. M.P.

⁹ *Foedera*, V. iii. 46.

¹⁰ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 435.

¹¹ P.C.C., 24 Adeane.

GRIGG (GREGGE), ANDREW; servt. to Duke of Suffolk. M.P. Wallingford 1442.¹

Thomas Grigg was M.P. for Westbury 1450; but the duke of Suffolk had a hold on Wallingford, and in 1450 Andrew Grigg was receiver for Suffolk's widow, Alice, the dowager duchess.²

GRIGG (GRYGGE), RICHARD (1410-65); of Dover, vintner and taverner. M.P. Dover 1449-50,³ 1450-1.

He lived in Snargate street, Dover.⁴

On 23 May 1432, £5 was issued to Richard Grigg, who lately exposed himself to great danger at sea in a certain boat proceeding from Dover to Calais to obtain a true knowledge of the arrival of the King in Calais, and returning thence to Dover in the same boat to inform the Duke of Gloucester and the Council, then at Canterbury.⁵ A jurat of Dover by Aug. 1430, and in 1440, 1458, 1462; at the coronation of Queen Margaret, being paid 26s. 8d. for his expenses by the Dover corporation. He was mayor of Dover 1450-3;⁶ as mayor he was one of those to muster the thousand men going with Gervase Clifton to France, Aug. 1452; pardoned, 20 Feb. 1459, of Dover, vintner, merchant, and taverner. In 1465/70 Grigg sued feoffees to uses for land in the dene of Haythurst in Staplehurst, late of John Bratyll, as dower of Bratyll's daughter Marion, late wife of the plaintiff.⁷ As he does not occur in the list of jurats at Dover after 1462 he probably died c. 1465.

GRIGG (GREG), THOMAS. M.P. Westbury 1450-1.

In 1465/70 Halnath Mauleverer and Jane his w., late w. of Thomas Carew, sued Thomas Coudorowe and Thomas Grig, late feoffees to uses, for the dower of the said Jane in Devon and Corn.⁸ Westbury seems to have preferred carpet-baggers down to the time of Manasseh Lopes and Sir Robert Peel.

GRIMSBY (GRYMESBY), (Sir) WILLIAM (1420-82); of Grimsby, Howden, etc. Yeoman of the Crown 1454-7; Squire of the Body 1457-61; Treasurer of the Chamber 1456-60. M.P. Grimsby 1449 (1); LINCOLNSHIRE 1459; (? 1470-1); Grimsby 1472-5. Lancastrian.

Perhaps s. of John Grimsby, M.P. Hull 1437, or of Simon Grimsby, M.P. Grimsby 1407.

He was yeoman of the stole, 1454;⁹ yeoman of the Chamber, when he had a livery of cloth in 1455; receiver of the profits from mines in Cornwall and Devon, Mar. 1455; made yeoman of the Crown, 8 Dec. 1454, with the normal 6d. a day out of Lincs. On 24 Aug. 1456 he was promoted to squire of the Body, and Robert Savage took his place as one of the 24 yeomen of the Crown; steward of Burwell by Louth, Oct. 1456; water bailiff of Calais 1456-7. By 5 Nov. 1456 he had

¹ John Stokke appears on the Return, but Andrew Grygge on the back of the writ.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1450), 431.

³ In the 1449-50 Parlt., Grigg was paid for the sessions both at Westminster and Leicester, but Ralf Toke, his partner, was paid for the first session only. In the next Parlt. he was paid £13 6s. for 113 days at Westminster.

⁴ *F. Devon, Issues*, 418.

⁵ Statham, *Dover*, 166.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 34/86.

⁸ *ibid.* 32/42.

⁹ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 225.

succeeded Merston as keeper of the jewels and Treasurer of the Chamber;¹ was granted £200 for expenses, 1457; and the same year he had a livery of cloth as "Squire of the Body, Under-Treasurer of England."² His wage was exempted from resumption in 1455, and he was reappointed keeper of the jewels and Treasurer of the Chamber in July 1458. For good service he got some of the Duke of York's forfeited privileges in Jan., and of Radford's forfeited lands in Lincs. in Feb. 1460; named on Lincs. comms. down to 16 June 1460; wherefore he may have been at Northampton fight. He certainly fought at Wakefield and at Towton and was attainted. He was one of those excepted by name from Edward's pardon on 6 Mar., and with Halley and Penycok escaped from Towton; his capture was ordered, 10 Apr. 1461, and his lands in Grimsby, Howden and Clee were granted to John Ferriby M.P. Anne, "late wife" of William Grimsby, rebel, was allowed the lands of her inheritance in Castle Bitham, Caunthorpe and Careby, Lincs., Aug. 1464.³ This last entry looks as though Grimsby were dead, and among the ancient indictments of the King's Bench is to be found an entry stating that William Grimsby, a prisoner in the Marshalsea, has died of Black Jaundice, 1462. But, as his petition in 1472 clearly shows, he was not dead, and in June 1462, Montfort, Whittingham, Finderne and Grimsby, "King of Arms," were with Queen Margaret in France.⁴ Warkworth has it (p. 18) that Sir William "Gremyby" was executed after Tewkesbury; but the *Paston Letters* correct him, equally doubtfully, reporting Sir William Grimsby "yet on lyffe." If he was knighted by Margaret in France it was certainly not recognised at Westminster, and he received a pardon 4 Dec. 1471, "William Grymbesy of Grimsby esq." So it came about that he was elected for Grimsby again, to the 1472 Parlt., and there he, calling himself "squire," did petition for and obtain the reversal of his attainder of 1461.⁵ He even progressed, J.P. Leics., Mar. 1475; made customer of the port of London, Nov. 1477; supervisor of all officers in the ports of Thames, May 1478; and he acquired a life interest in Edgcote, N'hants., 1 Nov. 1478.

D., to judge from his J.P.ships, between 4 Feb. 1482 and 4 Jan. 1483. He is a remarkable example of a man twice killed by fame, who survived each revolution, very much alive to the end.

GRINDELL (GRENDEL), JOHN (1455-1520); ald. of Lynn; merchant. M.P. Lynn 1489-90, 1495.

M. Margaret (d. 1510), da. of Thomas Thoresby of Lynn (q.v.).

Elected for Lynn to the Great Council 1487; mayor of Lynn 1489-90, 1490-1; alderman by 1495. On their return from the 1495 Parlt.—namely on 8 Jan. 1496—"this same day John Grynall, alderman, and William Horwode, chochen burgess of the last Parlt. cam in and shewid what actes were made in the said

¹ He sued for the return of jewels which had been pledged for a loan by his predecessor. The case went before the Exchequer Chamber and the Crown recovered from the creditor (*Select Cases in the Exchequer Chamber*, p. 129). His Office as Treasurer of the Chamber must not be confused with the more important Treasurership of the Household.

² *Enr. Accts.* 361/6.

³ The Parlt. of 1467 exempted from the Act of Resumption the grant of Anne of Aug. 1464, speaking of her still as "late wife of William Grimsby." Perhaps, like Anne of Exeter, she had divorced the refugee.

⁴ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 252.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 17.

Parliament which actes the said John Gryndall aldirman declared and redde opynly afore alle the congregacion here."¹ Apptd. by 1497 Parlt. as a comnr. to appt. the collrs. of subsidy voted in that Parlt.;² pardoned, 1510, both jointly with Richard Vessy—probably joint owners of a ship—and also by himself as "of Bishops Lynn and Techemarche, Norf., mercht., alderman of Holy Trinity Guild."³ A comnr. of gaol delivery 1516, then called senior.

A John Grindell "junior" was admtd. freeman 1489/90; perhaps a yr. bro., for his own son John was admtd. freeman 1499. It may be this son who md. Thoresby's da.; he was certainly the mayor of Lynn 1515 and 1524, alderman, and died 1539.⁴ The M.P., his father, must have died 1516/23.⁵

GRYPE, JOHN (1425-70); of Wells, brewer. M.P. Wells 1461-2.

John Grype, brewer, was admitted to his freedom in Wells 1447, by the pledges of Stephen Merston and Henry Selwode.⁶ He was frequently a pledge himself, and for the last time in 1468.⁷

GRY.... see GRI....

GUILDFORD, JOHN, junior. M.P. Bedwin 1472-5.

The Return is clearly "John Gylford junior" not "Gyfford" as read by Pryne. But this M.P. cannot be Sir John Guildford (1430-93) of Rolvenden, Kent, who was kntd. 1467/70, and was eldest surviving s. and h. to his father in 1449. Bedwin always returned "carpet-baggers", friends of the Stafford-Buckingham House, and no John Gilford junior occurs in Wilts. or elsewhere. Bray or the Lady Margaret may have put a yr. bro. of Sir John's in for Bedwin in 1472, for Sir John had supported the Readeption govt., and would be playing for safety.

GUILDFORD (GULDEFORD), Sir JOHN (1430-93); of Rolvenden and Tenterden, Kent. P.C. 1487-93. M.P. KENT 1485-6.

S. and h. of Edward Guildford of Rolvenden (*d.* 1449),⁸ by Julia Picklesden of Tenterden; *m.* several times—in or after 1455 the widow of John Pimpe,⁹ and had his s. and h. Sir Richard by his first wife.

Sheriff, Kent, 1457-8; on comns. in Kent from 1454, including the subsidy of Aug. 1483 but none other of Richard III; J.P. Kent, 17 Sept. 1460 to 26 Aug. 1465, and 21 Dec. 1470-1, and 26 June to 5 Dec. 1483. In Jan. 1461 he was one of those men of Kent ordered to raise forces to resist the army from the north (*i.e.* Queen Margaret's);¹⁰ pensioned 40 marks a year, Oct. 1461, and exempted 1464;¹¹ in 1463 an apportioner of the subsidy in Kent;¹² kntd. between 30 Apr. 1467 and 5 Mar. 1470; pardoned 5 Mar. 1470—"of Rolveden *alias* of Dover, kn't.";

¹ Lynn Corpn. Minutes. ² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1496). ³ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 438 (2 m.25).

⁴ Will; P.C.C., 2 Alenger.

⁵ The subsidy comnr. of 1523 is *not* called "senior."

⁶ Wells City Charters in *Som. Rec. Soc.* 147.

⁷ *ibid.* p. 153.

⁸ Will of Edward Guildford of Rolvenden, pr. at Lambeth (175 Stafford) 1449.

⁹ His wives are given variously in *Arch. Cant.* xiv. 4-6; xxviii. 166. The widow of John Pimpe was probably called Philippa for Dame Philippe was his wife in 1474/6 (*Early Chan. Proc.* 51/99); but his widow was Dame Elizabeth.

¹⁰ *Privy Cl. Proc.* vi. 307-8.

¹¹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 531.

¹² Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

and in May 1471; but in 1471 he evidently lost his pension. With his s. Richard he led the rising of the men of Kent against Richard III. His s. escaped to Henry Tudor in Brittany, but Sir John was taken¹ and imprisoned in Newgate; attainted;² released, Mar. 1484. After the landing of Henry Tudor, when his son was knntd., the attainder was reversed;³ he was made a King's Councillor; granted lands forfeited by Stafford of Grafton, Oct. 1487; and had licence to empark 2,000 acres at Rolvenden and Cranbrook, 1487.

D. 19 July 1493; will, dat. 20 Mar. 1492, pr. 25 Aug. 1493.⁴ Succeeded by his s. Sir Richard Guildford K.G., M.P. (1450-1506).⁵

GUILDFORD (GULDEFORDE), Sir RICHARD (1450-1506); of Cranbrook and Rolvenden, K.G. Chamberlain of the Exchq. 1485-7; Knt. of the Body 1485-1506; Master of the Ordnance 1485-1506; Controller of the Household 1493-1506. Engineer. M.P. KENT 1491-2, 1495 (and probably 1487, 1489-90, 1497, 1504).

S. and h. of Sir John Guildford of same, M.P. (1430-93) by his first w.; *m.* (1) Anne, da. and h. of John Pimpe by that Philippa who became Sir Richard's step-mother (by whom two sons), and (2) Jane, who survived him, sis. of Sir Nicholas Vaux, Lord Vaux of Harrowden, by whom Henry Guildford (*b.* 1489), M.P. Kent 1529-36.

He took part with his father in the Duke of Buckingham's rebellion, being a leader in Kent. Attainted 1484; but, unlike his father, he escaped to Brittany, returned with Henry Tudor and was knntd. at the landing, 7 Aug. 1485. Fought at Bosworth and immediately given many offices:—knt. of the Body, Chamberlain at the receipt of the Exchq. (which he held till 1487), Master of the Ordnance with 2s. a day, and of the armoury with 1s. a day,⁶ keeper of Kensington (where the King lived before his⁷ coronation), Privy Councillor.

It cannot have been mere luck that the favourite servants of Henry VII differed from the favourites of other reigns; they were more modest in their demands, and of superior intelligence, for the evidence survives in the patent rolls. Guildford, Bray, Morton, Empson and Dudley were able men above the average and must have been wisely chosen and no result of accident. Guildford's bent was engineering; that was why he was Master of the Ordnance. He controlled and built fortifications, artillery and ships.⁸ His engineering was civil as well as

¹ When the rising failed he was concealed by his neighbour Walter Roberts of Glassenbury in Cranbrook (Hasted, *Kent*, vii. 95). ² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 245. ³ *ibid.* vi. 273.

⁴ To be bur. at Tenterden. Bequests to Tenterden and Rolvynden for tithes forgotten; to s. Sir Richard. Exors.:—Dame Elizabeth his wife and Sir Richard his son (P.C.C., 29 Dogett).

⁵ In the *Dict. Nat. Biog.* (under his son) and in Hasted, *Kent*, vii. 178, he is called Controller of the Household and Privy Councillor to Edward IV, but we have failed to find any evidence of this.

⁶ To date from 8 Aug. 1485:—*Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Richard Guildford.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 354, 407.

⁸ He built Camber castle by Rye and actually engaged in the design and building of the Navy; he is even called "Master" of the *Mary Guildford*. He was paid for the novel construction of a ship to be made *de novo* with Ordnance and fittings. Or again, to have the oversight of the new making of a ship . . . to be like unto the *Colombe* of France and of 700 tuns portrage . . . a right substantial and royall vessell. He supplies, if he does not design, bows, spears and barrells of gunpowder (Campbell, *Materials*, i. pp. 104, 107, 136-7, 322).

military—there is still “the Guildford level” lying across Kent. The King made him trustee for his wills,¹ made him controller of the Household when Sir Roger Tocotes died in 1492. Sheriff of Kent 1493-4. In the 1495 Parlt. he was one of the four M.P.s deputed to announce to the Chancellor the election of the Speaker,² and in that Parlt. he obtained an Act for disgavelling the lands he had inherited from his father in Kent. Banneret at Blackheath, 17 June 1497; K.G. 1500. He probably sat in all of the Parlt.s of Henry VII, being one of those apptd. by Parlt. to levy the aid in 1504—one may assume that he sat for Kent. In 1506 he went on pilgrimage to the Holy Land and there he *d.* at Jerusalem, 6 Sept. 1506.³ Guildford's chaplain wrote an account of “The Pylgrymage of Sir Richard Guylforde to the Holy Land” which Pynson printed in 1511.⁴ Will, as of Halden, Kent, and of Sussex, pr. in P.C.C. 1508 (28 Fetiplace).

GUISE (GYSE), THOMAS (1460-1500); of Worcester, gent. M.P. Worcester city 1491-2.

Yr. son of John Guise of Aspley Guise, Beds., and of Holt and Churchill, Worcs.; yr. bro. of Sir John Guise, who *d.* 1501 when his s. and h. John was 16.⁵

In 1483/5 Alice Guyse widow of John Guyse, and Thomas Guyse son and exor. of the same, sued John à Brigge for refusing to restore a Statute Staple.⁶ Pardoned, 12 Feb. 1488.⁷

GULYS see GILLES.

GUNTER, GILES (1415-85); of Racton, Sussex. M.P. Arundel 1442.

Yr. s. of Roger Gunter and bro. and h. of John and William Gunter of Racton.⁸

Apparently still living 24 Apr. 1480, when William Gounter esq., bro. and h. of John Gounter esq., late of Rakton, conveyed lands in Hampshire to feoffees, i.e. to William Fisher (*q.v.*), Richard Harper (*q.v.*) and Thomas Lovell;⁹ but dead in 1486 when Edmund, his s. and h., was suing for land in Som.⁸

GUYBON, THOMAS (1475-1520). M.P. Lynn (1504), 1510.

M. Elizabeth da. of Thomas Thoresby¹⁰ of Lynn (*q.v.*).

Admtd. freeman 1501/2; when elected M.P. in 1503 he refused to serve and William Trewe was chosen in his stead, Jan. 1504; sheriff, Norf. and Suff., 1514-5.

GYLDREN see GILDON.

GYNE, JOHN (1400-52); of Dunwich. M.P. Dunwich 1447, 1449-50.

John Gryme was one of the two bailiffs of Dunwich in 1442, 1445.¹¹ The spelling Gryme is, however, probably wrong, as it was John Gyne of Dunwich

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 510b.

² *ibid.* vi. 458b.

³ *Inq. p.m.* 23 Hen. VII, C. Vol. 21, No. 18; *Arch Cant.* xxviii. 176.

⁴ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Ric. Guildford.

⁵ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. pp. 300, 320, 321.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 60/134.

⁷ Pardon Roll, 12 Feb. 1488, Thomas Gyes of Worcester, gent., *alias* of Holt, Worcs., *alias* of Elmore, Glos. (m.r.).

⁸ *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. 88.

⁹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 428.

¹⁰ *Ex inf.* Mr. Anderson of Lynn.

¹¹ Thomas Gardner, *History of Dunwich*.

whose will was proved at Ipswich 1444/5.¹ It is elsewhere written "Gene" or "Genn".² In July 1450 a John Gyne of Great Waltham, Essex, was pardoned for being out with Cade.

D. 1452; will, dat. 13 June 1452, proof granted in the church of St. Peter's, Dunwich, 31 July 1452. To be bur. in St. John's, Dunwich. Annuity of 3s. 4d. to his w. Julian. To the town of Walberswicke 100 marks towards payment of the 15th whenever called for. To his w. Julian his place in Bromeswell, and Marsh in Westleton. Residuary legatees, Nicholas Shipman and Thomas Wheteleff of Dunwich. Supervisors:—Geoffrey Prys esq., and John Wood, notary.

GYSE see GUISE.

GY..... see GI.....

HACCHE see HATCH.

HADDLESEY (HADELSEY), JOHN (1420-80); of Hull, merchant.³
M.P. Hull 1467-8, 1469.

A forced loan had left the Crown in his debt which Parliament consolidated in 1455; pardoned, 8 Mar. 1458, "of Hull, merchant" (m.19); elector, Hull, 1459, 1472; directed to seize war stores and meal for the *Grace Dieu* in Mar. 1460, and appointed by the Yorkists controller of the scrutiny in the port of Hull, 17 July 1461. Sheriff of Hull 1462-3; pardoned 1468, "of Hull, merchant, controller of the scrutiny at Hull" (m.3). He traded with the Levant, for he was sued for figs and raisins seized on board the *Mary* of Rouen by a carvel of Lord Roos and delivered to Haddlesey at Flamborough.⁴ Mayor of Hull 1470. He was dead by 1475/85 when his exor. John Thomlinson was sued for detention of 50 roundettes of malveysey which had been deposited with him.⁵

HADDON, THOMAS (1405-60); of Sandwich. M.P. Sandwich 1437, 1442, 1447, 1449 (1), 1449-50.

Perhaps s. of Robert Haddon M.P. Sandwich 1410. M. Agnes, widow of William Bridges, Garter King of Arms.

In 1432/43 the abbot and convent of Boxlèy sued Thomas Haddon and John Canterbury, alderman of Sandwich, for messuages and lands in Sandwich and Woodnesborough, Kent.⁶ Haddon was mayor of Sandwich Dec. 1437-40 and Dec. 1447-8; attended the admission of Humphrey, duke of Buckingham, as Lord Warden, July 1451; on comns. in Sandwich, Dec. 1454, with other Sandwich M.P.s. Pardoned by the Yorkists, 10 Oct. 1455, Thomas Haddon and Agnes, who was the wife of William Brugges, *alias* Garter, late "Armer" of the King, and exix. of his will (m.26).

HAGGE (AGG), JOHN (1450-98/9); ald. of York. M.P. York city 1483 June.

¹ Ipswich Probate Office.

² *Ex inf.* V. B. Rickword.

³ A Robert Hadilsay, inn-keeper, was chamberlain of Hull in 1430, and bailiff in 1433 (*ex inf.* A. S. Harvey).

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/472.

⁵ *ibid.* 59/112.

⁶ *ibid.* 5/16.

Perhaps s. of John Hagge *alias* Agge, shipman of Hull, pardoned in 1452.

Made freeman of York, 1470; chamberlain 1477; sheriff 1480-1. Entered the Merchants' Guild 1473, master thereof 1484; also Member of the Corpus Christi guild, which he joined with his wife Agnes in 1474. Elected alderman, 28 Jan. 1498.¹ *D.* 1498/9; will, dat. 25 July 1498, pr. at York, 25 Oct. 1499. To be bur. in St. Margarets, Micklegate. Legacies to children John, Robert, Miles, Martin, William, Elyn, Janet, and Anne. The 14 torches of the III guilds to be borne before his body. Residue to Trinity House in Micklegate for the souls of "Sir" Robert Bellamy, "Sir" John Bellamy, John and Agnes. By 1514 John and Miles were in Holy Orders, and Agnes the widow had died.²

HAKEDY (HAKLEY), RICHARD (1405-55); King's Apothecary; garbler of spices. M.P. Winchelsea 1450-1.

The King's squire, Richard Hakedy, King's apothecary, was granted a pension of 40 marks a year out of Southampton on 5 May 1441. On 3 Oct. 1442 the same King's squire was appointed garbler of spices in London, Southampton and Sandwich; and the appointment was renewed 8 Mar. 1448. The appointment was annulled by the Parliament of 6 Nov. 1449; wherefore Richard Hakedy got himself returned to the next Parliament. But no fresh grant came in his direction and in 1457 William Godfrey was King's apothecary and was made garbler.³

HAKLEY see HAKEDY.

HAKLUYT (HAKLET), RALPH (1445-96); of Leominster. M.P. Leominster 1478, (? 1484).

S. of Richard Hakluyt of same, an elector, Heref., 1449; *m.* Isabel, da. and coh. of Thomas Corbet of Caus.³

Sheriff, Heref., 1476-7; on Heref. comns.—the two arrays of 1484 and others down to 1490; made steward of Fownhope during the minority of the Earl of Warwick, 29 Nov. 1485; J.P. Heref., 11 Nov. 1486 till death. In 1490, Eastham, Worcs., forfeited by Humphrey Stafford of Grafton, was granted jointly to Sir George Vere and Ralph Hakelet esq.

D. probably 1495/6, to judge from his comns. But a Ralph Hakluyt was sheriff of Heref. 1507-8, 1518-9 and flourished in 1523—probably a son.

HALEWELL, Sir JOHN (1450-1500); of Trenode, Corn., and of Bigbury, Devon. Steward of Duchy of Cornwall 1486-1500; Admiral 1491; knt. of the Body, 1490-1500. M:P. CORNWALL (? 1487), (? 1489-90), 1491-2, 1495.

M. by 1483 Isabel, widow of Sir Thomas Beaumont.⁴

Pardoned, 5 Feb. 1472, as "of Bykebury, gent., late of Pole"; a Devon elector, 1472; on Devon comns. from 1477, including the subsidy of Apr. 1483; keeper of Stokenham and constable of Plympton, forfeited by Clarence, 12 Mar. 1478; J.P. Devon, 18 Feb. 1480 to 5 Dec. 1483. He was a leader in the Duke of Buckingham's rising in Devon—"of Combe esq.", and attainted.⁴ He escaped to Henry Tudor in Brittany,⁵ but his lands were distributed elsewhere—Charles

¹ *York Wills*, 3. 307, and York Records—all *per* W. J. Paylor. ² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1457).

³ Williams, *Heref. M.P.s.*

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 246.

⁵ *Polidore Virgil*, 200.

Dynham (*q.v.*) got Halewell and Bigbury in Devon. Halewell was kntd. at the landing, his attainder was reversed in the Parlt. of 1485-6; made sheriff of Devon and Cornwall, 12 Sept. 1485-6; J.P. Devon. and Cornwall; steward of the Duchy of Cornwall, keeper of Stokenham, etc., and exempted from resumption.¹ He had licence to export 1,000 "blokkes" of tin, Aug. 1487; mustered the array for Brittany, Dec. 1488, with Sir Robert Willoughby (*q.v.*); Knt. of the body by Dec. 1490;² Admiral of the fleet on its present voyage, 10 Apr. 1491.³ He was back at Court, at York's creation, 1494; in 1494 also 800 acres in Silesworth, N'hants., forfeited by Catesby, was granted to him in tail male.

D. 1497/1500; will, dat. 31 July 1497, pr. 13 Nov. 1500.⁴ To be bur. in Bigbury ch., between his two wives. To s. Walter £10 a year out of such lands as Richard his eldest s. might provide, if he marry with consent of Richard and of William Fortescu. Marriage portions for his two das.—both called Margaret. Residue to eldest s. and he sole exor. Cousin Walter Fortescu to be supervisor.⁴

HALL, HENRY (1430-95); of Ore, Sussex, esq.⁵ M.P. Hastings 1484.

A comnr. of sewers in Sussex, called "esq.", 1458, 1465; of array 1462, Feb. 1470, and 1491. With followers from Romney he committed trespass, 1473.⁶ As "esq." he was amerced 4*d.* being a free suitor absent from the Baldeslowe hundred court, 1474.⁷ A feoffee at Winchelsea, 1474, 1475;⁸ a feoffee at Bexhill, 1486; a baron at Richard III's coronation, 6 July 1483,⁹ and perhaps therefore M.P. also 1483 (June). On 20 Nov. 1488, the earl of Oxford granted to Henry Hall of Ore esq. the manor of Westdene, Sussex.¹⁰ See Wm. Hall of Sussex M.P.

HALL (HALLE), JOHN (1420-79); of Salisbury, mercer; etc. M.P. Salisbury 1453-4, 1460-1, 1461-2. Yorkist.

His origin is obscure. He engaged in the woollen and clothing trade and was a rival of William Swayne M.P. Elected member of the XXIV, 1447; coroner of Wilts., 22 Nov. 1449; elector, Wilts., 1449 (1), 1450, 1453 when elected for Salisbury, 1467, 1478; on Wilts. comns. 1451, 1457, and as a Yorkist in Dec. 1460, Jan. 1461; as "of Sarum", Jan. 1462, to arrest Lancastrians. Mayor of Salisbury 1450-1, 1456-7, 1464-6; pardoned 5 July 1452, of Salisbury, mercer, merchant, gent., yeoman or chapman, and in May 1456; J.P. Wilts., of the quorum, 10 Nov. 1456 to 18 Nov. 1458; eschr., Hants and Wilts., 1463-4. He was one of those who purveyed goods for the Household 1457-60;¹¹ the farm of the subsidy and ulnage on cloth in Wilts. was granted to John Hall and William Stoeftord, 18 May 1459.¹² Pardoned, 12 May 1462 as merchant or esquire and 5 June 1472—merchant, esquire or chapman (m.2).

Hall, while mayor, interfered in quarrels, and it was decided that, if William Swayne (*q.v.*) and Hall should offend again, they should be fined 20*s.*¹³ In Jan. 1463 Hall, being owner of the *James* of Poole, was responsible for the seizure of

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 382. ² Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 549. ³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1491), 344, 356.

⁴ P.C.C., 10 Moone. ⁵ *Sussex Arch. Colls.* xiv. 111. ⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1473), 380.

⁷ *Sussex Rec. Soc.* xxxvii. p. 167. Baldeslowe hundred includes Hastings.

⁸ *Sussex Arch. Colls.* xv. 120.

⁹ *ibid.* xv. 182.

¹⁰ *Sussex Rec. Soc.* xxix. p. 92.

¹¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1457.

¹² Fine Roll, 37 Hen. VI (m.18).

¹³ Benson and Hatcher, *Old and New Sarum*, 136.

a Breton ship bearing a safe-conduct ; the same year pirates seized from Hall's carvel of Poole, a prize, namely the *Marie of Spain*. He was in prison in Aug. 1465 for misbehaviour in the bishop's case, and released before July 1466. Indeed he was the leader to the opposition to the Bishop.¹ He was pardoned again, 26 Nov. 1471, " esq. late eschr., *alias* of Salisbury, mercer."

D. 18 Oct. 1479, when William, aged 24, was his s. and h. ; lands—Hants and Wilts. Reynold Hall was his yr. son. He was one of the largest property owners in the city in 1455, and his " hall " still exists as a cinema.²

HALL, THOMAS (1400-57) ; of Wells, and of Freshford, Som. M.P. Wells 1431, 1432, 1435, 1437, 1442 ; Bath 1450-1.

Perhaps s. of Richard Hall M.P. Wells 1425-6.

In July 1428 money was owed to Thomas Hall by James Loty of Dunster ; pledge for various freemen of Wells in 1435 and 1441.³ D. 1457. Will of Thomas Hall of Freshford, Som., dat. 11 July, pr. 9 Nov. 1457. He leaves the residue of his estate to his son, Nicholas Hall, and makes him sole exor.

HALL, THOMAS (1450-1515) ; of Trowbridge, Wilts., gent. ; millowner. M.P. Wilton (? 1484), 1485-6.

One of the great woolmen, and pretty certainly *m.* Alice Bower of Wilton. Their s. William *m.* Elizabeth Tropenell of Chalfield.³

One of the feoffees of the Terumber charities in Trowbridge, 1483 ;³ a lieut. of the staple of Calais, 1480/3 ;⁴ pardoned, 1 July 1484, as " of Troubridge, Wilts., gent., late of Pynels next Calne, late of Newton next Steeple Aston, late of London " (m.12). Hence perhaps M.P. in 1484. He was pardoned his outlawry for not appearing when sued on a £100 debt by Sir John Turberville (*q.v.*) 1502.

D. 1515 ; will, dat. 19 Jan., pr. 7 Mar. 1515. To be bur. in the chancel of Freshford ch. To wife Alice his moveable goods and debts due ; to sons Thomas and Osmund £4 a year for life ; to son William goods at his place in Bradford and also " *in my Grist mylles* ". Exor.—son William Hall.⁵

HALL, WILLIAM (1395-1460) ; of Slindon, Sussex. M.P. Arundel 1433 ; Bedwin 1435, 1442 ; Arundel 1449 (1) ; Weymouth 1450-1.

He may be son of the William Hall who served at Agincourt as butcher to Thomas, earl of Arundel ;⁶ or he may be that butcher.

Bedwin was a boro' of the Earl of Stafford, Weymouth of the Crown.

With his wife, Elizabeth, he was sued by Sir Roger Fiennes (*q.v.*) for lands in West Dene, Sussex, in 1435/6.⁷ Apparently the same man was the sheriff's bailiff in Surrey in 1440 ; had exemption from all offices Dec. 1440 ; and had surrendered his grant of the ferries over the waters of Menai, 1443. As " of Slindon, Sussex, gent. ", he was pardoned on the Roll, 21 Aug. 1455 (m.32). Not the William Hall of Ore, Sussex, *d.* 1448.

¹ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

³ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

⁵ P.C.C., 15 Holder.

⁷ *Geneal. N.S.* xvii. 249.

² Wells City Charters, *Som. Rec. Soc.* xlv. 143.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.*

⁶ *Sussex Arch. Colls.* xv. 133.

HALL, WILLIAM (1455¹-95); of Salisbury, gent.

M.P. Salisbury 1487.

S. and h. of John Hall² (1420-79), M.P.

Eschr. in Wilts. and Hants, 1481-2;³ in 1480/3 Walter Terry sued William Hall of Salisbury, an alleged feoffee to uses, for a messuage in Northdale, Berks.⁴ As "late of New Sarum, gent.", he was a leader of the Duke of Buckingham's rising in Wilts., and attainted, 1484;⁵ attainder reversed 1485.⁶ Pardoned, 5 Feb. 1486.³

HALLEY, BARTHOLOMEW (1410-68); of King's Langley, Herts. Yeoman of the Crown or King's Servant 1433-61; porter of the Tower 1446-61. Lawyer.

M.P. Wycombe 1437, (? 1439-40); HERTFORDSHIRE 1449 (1), 1453-4.

He was made yeoman of the Crown with a wage of 6*d.* a day,⁷ 21 July 1433, renewed to him as "King's Servant", 1452; parker of Badworth, Sussex, Dec. 1436; keeper of King's Langley, 11 July 1437, and he accounts for King's Langley till 1450; he got 127 acres in Abbot's Langley in 1441; and, jointly with Thomas Scargill (*q.v.*), he obtained a yearly tun of wine from Jan. 1442. He was paid £20 in Feb. 1442 for his expenses in guarding Roger Boltinbroke, the friar, who had been in trouble concerned with Eleanor Cobham;⁸ made parker of Pinner, May 1443; was at the coronation of Queen Margaret, 1445; pardoned 1446. In 1446 he received the following offices—porter within the Tower, parker of Langley, warrener of Flamstead, and he got for his son Piers the reversion of his parkership at Langley. Halley sat for Herts. as a friend of the Abbot of St. Albans, who describes him as "*vir probus*", and "*litteratus*"—hence probably a lawyer.⁹ Although not elected to the Parlt. at Bury in 1447, he was with Sir Thomas Stanley, the Controller, when they arrested Humphrey, duke of Gloucester;¹⁰ afterwards he was granted a pension of £10 a year; on 12 Dec. 1449 he had a "present" of 60 marks. The Parlt. of 1449-50 exempted him from resumption as Usher of the Chamber, and Piers his son also, and appointed him first of the four squires to receive the moneys from the sale of wards for the payment of the arrears of Household salaries.¹¹ But the next Parlt. included him in its denunciations. He ceased to account for the rabbits supplied from Langley Park, and he must have lost other of his grants. He continued to account, however, till 1452 for the grant of the arrears of wage to the gentlemen of the Household.

He sat again in Parlt. in 1453, and was one of the four Gentlemen Ushers of the Chamber in 1454. During this Parlt. Jasper Tudor, earl of Pembroke, introduced a Bill in which he sought to get the lordship of that county, including the Priory of St. Nicholas at Pembroke. Whereupon Halley opposed the Bill as

¹ Aged 24 at his father's death, 18 Oct. 1479.

² Jane late wife of John Hall sued Nicholas Martin and William Hall, feoffees to the uses of the will of John Hall, and Reynold Hall his yr. s., for a messuage called Halles Place, Salisbury, 1480/3 (*Early Chan. Proc.* 34/39).

³ Pardon Roll, 1486, William Hall of Salisbury, gent., *alias* late eschr. for Edw. IV in Wilts. and Hants (m.8). ⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 36/52. ⁵ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 246. ⁶ *ibid.* vi. 273.

⁷ One of the twelve Yeomen of the Crown, Sept. 1437.

⁸ *English Chronicle*, p. 191; Issue Rolls.

⁹ *Register of Abbot Whetamstede*, i. 92-3; ii. 29.

¹⁰ *English Chronicle*, pp. 116, 117.

¹¹ *Enr. Accts.* F. 32 Hen. VI G.; Issue Rolls, 28 and 29 Hen. VI.

damaging to the Abbey of St. Albans, of which St. Nicholas' was a cell. Eventually a clause was inserted in the Bill saving the rights of the abbey.¹ Halley was still holding office in the Tower of London, for the Parlt. of 1455 exempted him from the Act of Resumption, so far as concerned his office of "Joiner" in the Tower with 12d. a day out of Wilts. ;² he was still Usher of the Chamber when the parkership of Langley was regranted to him the following year. Throughout these years he was witnessing many deeds at St. Albans and Westminster; made gauger in Kent in 1458; pardoned, as "of St. Albans esq., late of Chiltern Langley, Usher of the Chamber", 20 Feb. 1459 (m.26). "Sewer for the King's Mouth" and Groom of the Chamber are other *aliases* of his office at this time.

But on 10 Apr. 1461 a Yorkist comn. was ordered to arrest William Grimsby (*q.v.*), Bartholomew Halley, Piers Halley, John Penycok (*q.v.*), John Skipwith (*q.v.*), and three others. Therefore these King's servants may be supposed to have survived Northampton, St. Albans and Towton. Halley secured a pardon with the rest in Feb. 1462; and was sued on a bond, *c.* 1465, by the bailiff of Aylesbury; and he died in 1468, still at St. Albans.

His will, pr. in the Archdeaconry of St. Albans, and now at Somerset House, desires that he be buried in the monastery at St. Albans beside Florence his wife. A brass rubbing, now with the Society of Antiquaries, shows the lower half of Halley and all of Florence with indents for two sons and two daughters.³

HALLEY, ROBERT (1430-66); of Wythop, Cumbd. M.P. Appleby 1455-6.

Possibly a son of Bartholomew Halley M.P. (1410-68).

A comn. was issued for the arrest of Thomas Shepay, Robert Halley and Ellis Halley in Oct. 1453, to answer certain charges. In Nov. 1460 Robert Halley of Wythop, Cumbd., was mainpernor for Thomas Harington.⁴ In 1463 Sir Robert Harcourt and Robert Halley were commissioned to arrest a murderer. He died in Oct. 1466. Will, dat. 21 Oct. 1466, pr. at York 21 Nov. 1466 (4.69).

HALS, RICHARD, junior (1435-90); of Keynedon in Sherford, Devon. M.P. Plympton 1455-6.

Presumably s. of Richard Hals senr. (*d.* 1480), when Richard was his s. and h., aged 40. Richard Hals was sheriff of Devon 1454-5 (when "junior" was returned for Plympton) and 1458-9.

The only references to "junior" are the Return of 1455 and the pardon of 23 Feb. 1472:—"Richard Hals junior, gent., *alias* of Keledon, Devon, junior, gent., *alias* of Keledon in parish of Sherforth, junior, gent."

HALSALL, HENRY (1405-71); of Halsall, Lancs., esq. M.P. LANCA-SHIRE 1435, 1437, 1459.

S. and h. of Robert Halsall of Halsall (*d. c.* 1429); *m.* 1426 Katherine, da. of Sir James Harrington,⁵ by whom he had Margaret and Elizabeth.

¹ *Register of Abbot Whetamstede*, i. 92-3.

² *Rot. Parl.* v. 314.

³ *Brasses and Indents in St. Albans*, William Page, p. 22.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1460), 636. The document erroneously says "Whitihethorp, Co. York", but this is corrected in the index to the *Cal. Pat. Rolls*, p. 1054.

⁵ *Ex inf.* H. H. Strickland.

Eschr., Lancs., 1430;¹ sworn to the peace, Lancs., 1 May 1434;² elector, Lancs., 1447, 1449 (2), 1467; pardoned outlawry for not appearing touching a debt, 8 July 1453;³ licence to found an oratory, 27 Sept. 1453; pardoned, 20 May 1462;⁴ exempted from Act of Resumption respecting a pension of £10, 1464;⁵ comnr., Yorks., to enquire into the lands of Sir Thomas and Sir John Haryngton, decd., 30 June 1468.⁶

D. 20 July 1471; Margaret, aged 40, and Elizabeth, aged 38, were his das. and h.⁷

HALSALL (HALSALE), RICHARD. M.P. Guildford 1449 (1).

No such name occurs in Surrey, but see Henry Halsall.

HALTON, JOHN (1410-65). M.P. Bletchingley 1442.

It might be this John Halton who was sworn to the peace in Cambs. as "of Swavesey", 1434. The M.P. is more probably the man who fought a duel with Robert Norris in 1452. The expenses of making lists and barriers in Smithfield for a duel between John Halton and Robert Norris are enrolled.⁸ He died shortly before 1465, for William Halton, son of Jane late the wife of John Halton, sued Thomas son of Richard Hykkes, late surviving feoffee for uses, for the manor of Whitehalle in the parish of St. Mary's, Sandwich, Kent.⁹

HALTON, JOHN. M.P. Warwick boro' 1450-1.

Probably not the Bletchingley M.P., for a Geoffrey Halton was M.P. Warwick 1366.

HALTON (HAUGHTON), ROGER; of Beckbury, Salop. M.P. Bridgnorth 1459.

Son of Roger Haughton of Sweeney, Salop; *m.* Margaret Wolrich of Dudmaston, Salop. Richard Halton, probably his son, was made constable of Bridgnorth Castle for life.

HAMBLIN (HAMELYN), ADAM (1430-93); of Bridgwater. M.P. Bridgwater 1463-5.

Churchwarden 1454; in 1455 he paid 14s. for having his liberty in the Common Hall,¹⁰ and that year he was frequently a feoffee and trustee for the guild or chantry of Holy Trinity.¹¹ Steward of the commonalty in 1461—wine was supplied to Hamelyn's house for him and three others when they met *pro comodo communitatis ville*. Again steward 1467, the last of the burgesses to hold that office. It was not

¹ H. H. Strickland, *Lancs. M.P.s*, 41. ² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1434), 379. ³ *ibid.* (1453), 15.

⁴ As "of Halsall, Lancs., *alias* late surety for Sir Thomas Harrington, late farmer of Gresmerelagh-rigge, Langdon (Langdale), Casterton and Arnelset (Arnside), Westmd., which Margaret, duchess of Somerset, held in dower after the death of Duke John her husband, and of the herbage of Dalehede and park of Troutbekke which Robert Ingleton lately held at farm, *alias* farmer of part of Apulthwaite under Milnbek" (m.10).

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* v. 547.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1468), 103.

⁷ Lancs. Inq. *p.m.*, *Cheetham Soc.*, ii. 87; dat. 24 June 1472; lands, Lancs.

⁸ *Enr. Accts.* F. 31 Hen. VI. 2.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/314.

¹⁰ Bridgwater C. D. 1662.

¹¹ *ibid.* 952, etc.

till 1467 that he was paid the last instalment of his expenses for the Parlt. at Leicester 7s.¹ He was a merchant and lived on the north side of the High Street. Mayor 1480, and possibly earlier also.²

D. 1493; will, dat. Eve of St. Margaret 1493, pr. 28 Aug. 1493. To be bur. in Bridgwater par. ch. To wife Isabel/Elizabeth plate, jewels and all his lands and houses in Bridgwater and North Petherton for life. After her death house in which he lived to go to the mayor, bailiffs and burgesses to pay a chantry priest for obits. To his bro. John Hamelyn a pipe of wine and a pipe of wode. Property to revert to John Wymer and Margaret his w. and failing heirs of Margaret to his bro. John Hamelyn. Residue to wife Isabel and she exix.³

HAMBURY, JOHN; of Winchester, weaver. M.P. Winchester 1447.

He was a weaver by trade, and in 1446 he was exempted by vote of Boromote from the office of master of the Weavers' guild; he was only required to pay his share of the weavers' fee farm to the Crown, implying that there were other urgent calls on him. He and his colleague, Paris, were paid £4 2s. 8d. for their 23 days at the Parliament at Bury.⁴

HAMOND, JOHN (1415-70); of Rye. M.P. Rye 1463-5.

Mayor of Rye 1449-50, May to Aug. 1451, 1462-3; a senior jurat 1449 onwards. In 1463 there was paid to John Hamond for his wage for being at the present Parlt. at Westminster for 16 days, going and returning two days each way and no more, as was the usage so long as the memory of man—which 16 days were from 17 Jan. to 2 Feb. following, at 16d. a day—21s. 4d.⁵

HAMOND, JOHN (1420-80); of Exeter. M.P. Exeter 1453-4.

Bailiff of Exeter 1461-2; receiver or senior bailiff 1465-6.⁶ In 1475/85 Alison late wife of John Hamond sued Robert Dawe for the detention of money recovered by her before the mayor of Exeter from John à Gaunte of Cornwall, yeoman.⁷

HAMOND, JOHN (1435-95); of Winchester; recorder; lawyer. M.P. Winchester 1467-8; Calne 1472-5; Winchester 1483 (Jan.); 1491-2 (and probably at other times).

Perhaps s. of Richard Hammond who held of the bishop a tenement near the Southgate, 1447;⁸ m. Agnes da. and h. of Grenefeld of Southwellys, Hants.⁹ A member of the XXIV by 1461; in charge of the ulnage of cloth from city and county, whence he had a crown grant of 40 marks a year 1466/7; recorder, i.e.

¹ *ibid.* 1667.

² *Ex inf.* C. Bruce Dilks esq.

³ P.C.C., 29 Doggett.

⁴ Chamberlain's Rolls; *ex inf.* J. S. Furley.

⁵ Rye, Chamberlain's Accounts, 1. 107. The Parlt. did not end till Sunday before the Annunciation of B.V.M. (23 Mar.) 1465, as is shown by payments on the same folio to the mayor, Babylon Graundfote (*q.v.*).

⁶ *Ex inf.* W. A. Gay.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/101.

⁸ Pipe Rolls of Bp. of Winchester, in P.R.O.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 52/139.

Town Clerk by 1467; auditor of the Chamberlain's accounts, 1484-92.¹ J.P. Hants, of the quorum, 15 Feb. 1465 to 30 Apr. 1470. Comns., Hants, 1466-92, six times gaol delivery 1486-92. Apportioner of the subsidy in Hants, 1463;² elector, Winchester, 1478. In July 1488 John Hamond of Winchester, gent., was one of the lessees of the King's hay of Hippenscombe, Wilts.

HAMPDEN, Sir EDMUND (1405-71); of Beckley, Oxon., and Wingrave, Bucks. Squire of the Body. M.P. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 1439-40; OXFORDSHIRE 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1453-4, 1455-6, 1459. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Edmund Hampden of Wingrave, M.P. (*d.* 1420), by Jane (Stockton),³ widow of Sir Ralph Stonor;⁴ *m.* Anne widow of Sir William Moleyns, probably a Harcourt, for she was "sustained" by Richard Harcourt in the evil days of 1461.⁵

King's squire by July 1437 when he was made keeper of Woodstock park; surveyor of the game in Beckley park, 1438; in Mar. 1439, being a marshal of the Hall, he was made constable of Harlech castle. J.P. Bucks., 28 Nov. 1439 to 29 July 1459. In Feb. 1440 he was granted a pension of £20 a year, renewed in May, from the issues of Bucks. In June he was exempted from all offices, but sheriff of Beds. and Bucks., 1441-2. On 26 Nov. 1442 Edmund Hampden and John Hampden of Hampden had licence to settle Dunton, Bucks., on Edmund and Anne his wife and heirs, with remainder to John Hampden. In Apr. 1445 his grant as keeper of Beckley park was renewed and confirmed in consideration of his having brought from France to England "great and joyful rumours touching the King's Consort"; and he was Usher of the Queen's Chamber at her coronation that year. As Usher of the Chamber he was paid £100 reward 13 May 1447.⁶ In May 1446, jointly with Wenlock, he was made constable of Wicklow and of Dublin, and Treasurer of Ireland; in June he received a pardon; in Aug. 1447 he was apptd. joint Auditor of the Exchequer with a pension of 18 marks; in Oct. 1447 he and another King's squire got the post of joint sheriff of Merioneth, which grant was surrendered in 1453. J.P. Berks., 24 June 1449 to 22 Mar. 1452; J.P. Oxon., 22 Mar. 1452 till removed by the Yorkists, 17 Aug. 1460. Most of his comns. were, however, in Oxfordshire, and on every Lancastrian comn. he found a place.

He was kntd. 24 June/10 Nov. 1449; and Parlt. exempted him from the Act of Resumption, both generally and specifically in regard to his office of Queen's Carver.⁷ Nevertheless Hampden was denounced in the following Parliament, 1450-1, in which he did not sit.⁸ He was one of those indicted by Cade at Rochester; and when he was pardoned in 1452 he was simply described as of Beckley, Oxon., Knt.—nor was he included in the King's reduced Household, 13 Nov. 1454. He was sumnd. to the Great Council, 16 Apr. 1455, for Oxfordshire; and sat in the following Yorkist Parlt.; pardoned again in Nov. 1456. Shortly afterwards he was made chamberlain to the infant Prince of Wales, and

¹ *Ex inf.* J. S. Furley.

² Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV (m.15).

³ William Stockton, dying 1452, bequeathed his best gown to Edmund Hampden, s. of his sister, and makes other bequests to John Hampden, his sister's second s. (P.C.C., 1 Stokton).

⁴ *Stonor L. & P.* vii.

⁵ Issue Roll, 1 Edw. IV, No. 824.

⁶ Issue Roll, East. 25 Hen. VI, No. 768.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. 193, 198.

⁸ *ibid.* v. 216.

pardoned again in June 1458 in respect of that office. Both Hampden and Tuddenham were allies and supporters of the Dukes of Suffolk and Somerset; Hampden sat in the 1459 Parlt. and attainted the Yorkists. He came to London with Lord Hungerford when the Yorkist Earls marched up from Sandwich; and in June 1460 he was one of those besieged in the Tower, with Hungerford and Scales. Wenlock directed the attack upon the Tower, which surrendered after a three weeks' siege, 19 July 1460. Hungerford, Hampden and Gervase Clifton succeeded in escaping and joined Queen Margaret in the North. He was probably not at Wakefield, but he fought at St. Albans in Feb. 1461; and, after the victory, he went on to the City of London, but failed to get for Margaret permission to enter. He was not one of those specially exempted from pardon on 6 Mar., and, therefore, probably not concerned with the bad business at Wakefield; but he fought at Towton 28 Mar., and afterwards fled with Queen Margaret to Scotland.

He was attainted (reversed 1485), and the reversion of his lands in Oxon. and Bucks. after his wife's death was granted to the Crofts. In Mar. 1462 Sir John Wenlock, possibly as an old friend, possibly not, was apptd. keeper of the lands and of Anne the wife of Sir Edmund Hampden. An inquest in 1465 found that Hampden, late of "Barkley", Oxon., who was attainted, had been seised of Wingrave in 1461.

From Scotland, Hampden, with Whittingham and Tunstall, led a raid across the border and besieged Carlisle, but they were easily defeated and the siege raised by John Neville, lord Montagu, in June 1461. In Mar. 1462, Hampden, having been sent to France by Queen Margaret, was being entertained by Louis XI at Bordeaux. After the final disasters of 1464, when Margaret escaped to France, she lived in her father's chateau at St. Migel in Barre, and with her were a faithful few—Fortescue, Morton, Exeter, Montfort, Hampden and Whittingham. It is doubtful whether Hampden returned to England at all before the landing of the Queen at Weymouth on 13 Apr. 1471. With her he marched through Bristol to Tewkesbury, and there he died fighting.

HAMPDEN, JOHN (1400-58); of Hampden, esq. M.P. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 1427-8, 1429-30 (seated on petition), 1430, 1432, 1445-6; in all he is described as "of Hampden".¹

S. and h. of Edmund Hampden of same, s. of Alexander (*Geneal.* xix. 246).

J.P. Bucks., 3 July 1422 to 7 July 1423, and 2 Aug. 1431 till death; elector, Bucks., 1420, 1422, 1426, 1429, 1433, 1437. With his cousin Edmund Hampden (*q.v.*) and Thomas Stonhall, he was pardoned in 1425 for acquiring the Church of Dunton, Bucks. His election for Bucks. in 1429 is almost the earliest known example of a contest.² Hampden was eschr., Bucks., 1431-2;³ on many comns.

¹ John Hampden "of Great Kymbell" sat for Bucks. in 1420 and 1436.

² An inquisition was set up in Sept. 1429 to enquire whether Thomas Wharton, the sheriff, after John Hampden of Hampden and Andrew Sperling had been duly elected Knights for the shire in the County Court held at Aylesbury 31 Aug. 1429, and their names entered on an indenture to that effect, caused the names of other persons, named in another indenture, to be returned to the writ. Inquiry to be made as to the manner of the election of John Hampden and Andrew Sperling, the names of those who chose them and as to the truth of the matter. The coroners had been commanded to make the panel. The official return gives the names, from the other indenture of Sir John Cheyne and Walter Strickland, but they appear to have been unseated.

³ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1432), 199.

1430 to 1438; was a feoffee of Sutton-Valence, Kent, in 1432, of lands in Norfolk in 1434, of Hook Norton, Oxon., for Thomas Chaucer in 1435; sworn to the peace in Bucks., 1434;¹ sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1434-5, 1438-9; a feoffee for the Earl of Suffolk—doubtless his man; and lands in Norfolk and Suffolk, settled on Alice wife of William de la Pole, earl of Suffolk, in 1434, were to revert ultimately to John Hampden of Hampden.² Pardoned, June 1437, as “of Hampden esq. *alias* escheator”;³ apptd. surveyor of the King’s park of Risborough, May 1438, and joint parker thereof, May 1439; exempted from all offices, June 1440, yet repeatedly comnr. for loans and subsidies in Bucks. He was connected also with Cardinal Beaufort, and his co-feoffee in Bucks. and Beds., 1440; co-feoffee with Edmund Hampden (*q.v.*) in the settlement of Dunton, Bucks., on Edmund and his wife Anne; pardoned 1446,⁴ 1452; again sheriff 1450-1; sumnd. to the Great Council for Bucks., 16 Apr. 1455; again sheriff 1456-7; and the pardon roll of 12 June 1458 includes Thomas Hampden of Hampden, s. and h. of John Hampden of Hampden, decd. (m.3).⁵

D. 17 Feb. 1458, s. and h. Thomas, aged 24.⁶

HAMPDEN, JOHN (1458-96); of Hampden. M.P. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 1491-2.

S. and h. of Thomas Hampden J.P. (1433-80), and g.s. of John Hampden (*q.v.*);⁷ *m.* by 1477 Elizabeth da. and coh. of William Sydney of Sussex (M.P.).⁸

On gaol delivery comn., Aylesbury, 1487; Bucks. comn. 1493; J.P. Bucks., 19 Aug. 1487 to 16 July 1489, 5 Feb. 1494 till death.

D. shortly before 17 Oct. 1496, when writs *diem clausit* were issued to the eschrs. of N’hants., Oxon., Wilts., and Essex, to hold inquest on John Hampden of Hampden.⁹ John his s. and h., a squire of the Body, had licence of entry 4 Feb. 1502.

HAMPTON, JOHN (1400-72); of Stourton, Staffs. Usher of the Chamber 1429; Master of the Ordnance 1429-50; squire of the Body 1437-61; constable of Chester 1437; of Colchester 1447-72; Master of the Horse 1444-50.

M.P. STAFFORDSHIRE 1437, 1439-40, 1442, 1445-6, 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1453-4, (and probably 1459). Lancastrian.

S. and h. of John Hampton of the same, M.P., King’s Squire and ranger of Kinver Forest (*d.* 1433), by his first wife, Hawise; *m.* (1) Agnes, widow of Thomas Huntly, and (2), by 1447, Anne, da. of John Henham.

It is possible that he was the John Hampton who was at Agincourt in the retinue of Sir William Bouchier.¹⁰ He first rose as servant of the Stafford Earls,

¹ Three John Hampdens were sworn to the peace in Bucks. in May 1434, *i.e.*, of Hampden, esq., of Kymbell, and of Wykeham.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1434), 444.

³ Pardon Roll, June 1437 (m.21); the same roll includes the Squire of Hampden and him of Kymbell with Sir John Cheyne as tenants of Little Missenden (m.13).

⁴ As “of Hampden, late sheriff, and late escheator of Beds. and Bucks. and J.P. of Bucks.” (m.34).

⁵ Lipscombe cannot, therefore, be correct in stating that he died in 1451.

⁶ *Inq. p.m.* 36 Hen. VI. ⁷ Thomas, s. of John, s. of Edmund (*Geneal. N.S.* xix. 246).

⁸ *Inq. p.m.* 17 Edw. IV, No. 38—Elizabeth was aged 16 in 1477.

⁹ Fine Roll, 12 Hen. VII (m.1).

¹⁰ Nicolas, *Agincourt*, 360.

but he was already Master of the Ordnance and Usher of the Chamber by Jan. 1429.¹ Steward of Morfe and Shirlet 1429; sheriff of Merioneth, May 1433; also ranger of Kinver and water-bailiff of Plymouth in succession to his father. On 3 Mar. 1434 he got a 50 marks pension,² and in Apr. 1436 was made constable of Chester; squire of the Body by Aug. 1437, when he was granted £50 yearly out of Coventry. To this was added, in Nov. 1438, £20 yearly out of Worcester, and in Apr. 1439 £12 a year more out of Bridgnorth, and in May 1440 £40 a year more out of London. J.P. Staffs., 21 Feb. 1439 to 1461, and on all the Staffs. comns.

Eton College was founded, 3 July 1441, King's College, Cambridge, about the same time; and Hampton was one of the foundation trustees. He was in attendance on the King's person at Windsor, and engaged in the building of Eton; £20 was paid him for the work in 1442.³ Master of the Horse by Aug. 1444.⁴ He shared a hall-house in London with John Aleyn and Thomas Mayne (*qq.v.*), 1444, but his country seat was at Stourton, Staffs., where he had licence to enclose 300 acres within the forest of Kinver, May 1446.⁵ He was at the coronation of Queen Margaret, and master of her Horse 1445 to 1450.⁶ Grants from the Duchy of Lancaster and many other grants were confirmed to him by the Parliament of 1445-6 in which he sat. He was still in service at Windsor in June 1445.⁷

He was not in the 1447 Parliament, but he had a grant jointly with his wife Anne, da. of John Henham, of the office of constable of Colchester, 24 Feb. 1447, with £24 a year. The spoils of that year included also £100 reward.⁸ In Nov. 1449 he got himself made captain of Hammes castle in Picardy perhaps as a refuge; but it is unlikely that he ever went or profited thereby, for the days of prosperity were over. The Parliament of 1449-50, in which he sat, exempted him from their Act of Resumption save for that £40 a year out of London; but, later, the same Parliament removed him from most of his offices. In July 1450, Thomas Vaughan (*q.v.*) took his place as Master of the Ordnance. He remained, however, Squire of the Body, a liaison officer with the Duke of Buckingham. £24 was paid to him for providing plays and recreations for the mad King, 15 Feb. 1452.⁹ The Parliament of 1453-4, in their Act of Resumption, left him only 40 marks a year and the constablership of Colchester, though he was still Squire of the Body and specially exempted from a payment of £178 due from the customs of Southampton.¹⁰ With Somerset once more in power, Hampton was summoned to the Great Council for Staffs., 16 Apr. 1455, but he got no seat in the 1455 Parliament. Pardoned, 1 Oct. 1455,¹¹ and again 16 Feb. 1458; his wage still 40 marks a year. He probably sat in the 1459 Parliament; for on 17 Dec., for long service to Henry V and Henry VI, he was made steward of Bromsgrove, King's Norton, and Bewdley, Worcs.; and on 19 Dec. he was put on the comn. of array for Staffs. Nothing is heard of him in the revolution years 1460-1. He was pardoned with the other old

¹ Issue Rolls. Stores were delivered to him at Harfleur as Master of Ordnance in Mar. 1430 (*Priv. Coun. Proc.*). ² *Priv. Coun. Proc.* iv. 197. ³ F. Devon, *Issues*, 443.

⁴ Issue Roll, East. 22 Hen. VI, No. 753.

⁵ *Cal. Charter Rolls*, vi. 59.

⁶ F. Devon, *Issues of the Exchequer*, 449; *Exchequer Accts.* 361/6.

⁷ £36 was paid to Hampton—July 1445—for repairs to the Queen's chamber in the Castle and to the Little Bridge in the Park (Devon, *Issues*, 455).

⁸ Issue Roll, Easter 25 Hen. VI, No. 768.

⁹ F. Devon, *Issues*, 473.

¹⁰ *Rot. Parl.* v. 237.

¹¹ Pardon Roll, 1455—of Stourton, sq. of the Body, and Anne his wife (m.14).

officials, 20 Feb. 1462;¹ escaped attainder in 1461, but was to be arrested with his brother, Boyce Hampton, in 1468. He held no office in the Lancastrian Readeption, but was again pardoned in Feb. 1472.² Later this year he complains that men have broken in upon him at Stourton and beaten him, and this same year he died. Will, dat. 12 May, pr. 16 July 1472.³ He was buried at Kinver, M.I. He left no issue, and was succeeded by his brother Boyce.

HAMPTON, JOHN (1435-1507/10); of Salisbury; coroner; lawyer. M.P. Salisbury 1483 (Jan.), 1483 (June), 1483 (Oct.), 1495.

An attorney, Wilts., 1459-90;⁴ elector, Wilts., 1459, 1478; pardoned, 16 Oct. 1468, as "of Salisbury, *alias* of London, gent.", a feoffee of John Lewkenor (*q.v.*) in Wilts. 1469; and for William Leversegge, 1476; on Wilts. comns. 1478 to 1496 when called of Salisbury; exor. for John Bridges of Salisbury, 1491; coroner of Wilts. in Feb. 1486; J.P. Wilts., of the quorum, 20 Nov. 1494 till death, called "of Salisbury". A good burgess family; churchwarden of St. Edmunds.⁵ D., to judge from his J.P.ships, between 17 Sept. 1507 and 20 Feb. 1510.

HAMPTON, Sir WILLIAM (1425-83); ald. of London, fishmonger. M.P. London 1461-2, 1478.

M. Margaret, widow of John Haynson.⁶

Pardoned, 1452, "of London, fishmonger" (m.20). Purveyor of fish to the Household 1454-9; auditor of London, 1461-2, 1468-70; alderman from 1462; sheriff 1462-3; collector of customs and subsidy in port of London, Nov. 1466;⁷ elector 1467. In Apr. 1470 Common Council apptd. him one of a deputation to take a gift and loan to Edward IV.⁸ Pardoned, 2 Jan. 1471, as alderman, fishmonger and customer; kntd. by Edward on the return from Tewkesbury, for resisting the bastard Fauconberge, 21 May 1471. Mayor 1472-3; J.P. city of London, 1475;⁹ his last recorded attendance at the Guildhall is Oct. 1481.¹⁰

D. 1483.¹¹ He was the first to set up stocks in every ward for the punishment of vagabonds.¹²

HANCHETE (HANCHITH),¹³ THOMAS (1445-1509); of Caldecote in Newport Pagnell, Bucks., and of Bedford.¹⁴ Lawyer. M.P. Bedford boro' 1491-2.

S. and h. of Thomas Hanchete (*d.* 1488/90)¹⁵ (*cf.* Thomas "Hanchiche" M.P. Cambridge 1435), by Margaret (*b.* 1414), da. and h. of Philip ——— of Calverton,

¹ Pardon Roll, 1462—of Stourton, Staffs., late Sq. of the Body to Henry VI, late farmer of the subsidy in N'hants. and Rutland (m.37).

² Pardon Roll, 1472—and Anne his wife, da. of John Henham, *alias* late constable of Colchester castle.

³ To be bur. in chapel of SS. Anne and Katherine at Kinver. Bequests to wife Anne and bro. Boyce. Exors. :—w. Anne, and Thomas Frost (P.C.C., 6 Wattys).

⁴ Plea Rolls, Mich. 38 Hen. VI; Trin. 10 Edw. IV; East. 20 Edw. IV; Trin. 5 Hen. VII.

⁵ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 15/129.

⁷ Issue Roll, 6 Edw. IV, No. 837.

⁸ *Jor.* 7, fo. 213d.

⁹ *Jor.* 8, fo. 107.

¹⁰ *Letter Book L.* p. 182. ¹¹ Beaven, *Aldermen of London.* ¹² Fuller, *Worthies*, i. 566.

¹³ Also called or printed in error—Hanchich, Hauchich, Hansey.

¹⁴ Pardon Roll, 1484 (m.8).

¹⁵ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiii. 183.

Bucks., and heiress of Caldecote ;¹ *m.* (1) Elizabeth, perhaps a connection of Sir William Nottingham (*q.v.*) ; (2) Margery mother of his heir ; (3) Jane widow of John Barker.²

He was pardoned, 15 Nov. 1484, as exor. of the will of Sir William Nottingham (*d.* 1483) and with all these aliases—late of Letchworth, Cambridge, Caldecote, Bedford, Gloucester, and London, and “the younger” to distinguish him from his father.³ He, or his father, was feoffee with the bishop of Ely in Glos., 1487 ;⁴ he was suing for Calverton, Bucks., as s. and h. of Margaret, 1490.⁴ He became rich, for, by 1489, Robert Broughton held of him Broughton, Herts., and Wolston, Bucks.⁵ On comns., gaol delivery Bedford 1492, Bedford county 1493, nominated in Parl. as a subsidy comnr. for the town, 1497.⁶ It is not clear how he came to be included in the select few who were specially denounced by Warbeck in 1497—“caitiffs and villains of simple birth”⁷—perhaps an active and intriguing lawyer.

D. 20 Oct. 1509, when dower was assigned to his widow Jane, and William, aged 40,⁸ was his s. and h. ; lands—Caldecote in Newport Pagnell, held in chief, worth £7 13s. 4d.⁹ Will of Thomas Hanchete of Bedford, dat. 15 Dec. 1508, pr. 15 Oct. 1509. To be bur. in St. Paul’s, Bedford, next to Elizabeth late his wife. To Trinity altar at St. Paul’s, “My best mass books” to pray for his soul and that of Sir William Nottingham (*q.v.*). Jane his wife residuary legatee and exix.¹⁰

HANCOCK, ROBERT (1440–95) ; ald. of York, grocer. M.P. York city 1483 (June), 1485–6.

Perhaps s. of Richard Hancock, a Yorkshire elector 1442 ; *m.* Maud.

Made free of York city, 1462 ;¹¹ chamberlain, 1471 ;¹¹ admt. to Merchants’ guild, 1472 ;¹¹ sheriff, 1477–8. He was to ride to London with 200 horsemen for aid to the Duke of Gloucester against the Queen, June 1483 ; and on Richard’s visit to York later in the year, Hancock subscribed £10 to his present.¹² Elected alderman, *vice* William Lambe, 10 Apr. 1484 ;¹¹ mayor of York 1488 being a grocer.¹³

D. 1496 ; will, dat. 28 Jan., pr. at York 15 Feb. 1495. To be bur. at St. Michael’s, Ouse Bridge, near his late master Thomas Barton (mayor in 1450).¹⁴ His widow Maud survived him and *d.* 1508. In her will she describes her late husband as grocer and alderman.

HANFORD, HUGH ; of London, gent. Barrister of Gray’s Inn. M.P. Reigate 1460–1.

Perhaps son of Sir John Hanford who took the muster of the army for France at Dover and Sandwich in Aug. 1451. In 1460/5 William Woulston sued Thomas Batten, draper of London, and Hugh Hanford of Gray’s Inn, and Thomas Riseley, brasier, on a bond concerning a bargain of copper and tin.¹⁵ In Apr. 1465 Hugh Hanford of London, gent., was a pledge for Thomas St. Leger, King’s servant (*q.v.*).

¹ *Ex inf.* R. A. Ledgerd.

² See note ¹⁴ on p. 417.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1487), 189.

⁴ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiii. 150

⁵ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. p. 238.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 518.

⁷ Pollard, *Doc. Illust.* i. 153.

⁸ This William’s g.da. and the heiress of Caldecote *m.* Edward Turnour, ancestor of Lord Winterton, M.P.

⁹ *Inq. p.m.* i Hen. VIII, 24/19.

¹⁰ P.C.C., 20 Bennett.

¹¹ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from *York Records*.

¹² Davies, *York Records*.

¹³ Drake, *Eboracum*, 363.

¹⁴ *York Wills* 5. 473 (*Surtees Soc.* vi. 274).

¹⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/423.

HANSON see ANSON.

HARCOURT (HARECOURT), Sir RICHARD (1412-86); of Minster Lovel, Oxon., and of Witham, Berks. King's Squire; on Suffolk's Council 1476. M.P. OXFORDSHIRE 1445-6, 1460-1; NORFOLK 1472-5; OXFORDSHIRE 1478. Yorkist.

Second s. of Sir Thomas Harcourt of Stanton Harcourt, Oxon., and of Ellenhall, Staffs., M.P. (1377-1420), by Jane (Fraunceys). *M.* (1) by 1443 Edith (*d.* 1467), third da. and coh. of Thomas s. of Philip St. Clair of Chalgrove, Oxon., by whom he had Christopher and William Harcourt M.P. (1455-1515); and (2) in or before 1468, Catherine, da. of Sir Thomas de la Pole and widow of Sir Miles Stapleton of Ingham, Norf. (*d.* 1466).¹

Pardoned, 12 June 1446;² J.P. Oxon., 17 Mar. 1447 to 22 Mar. 1452, 21 Mar. 1455 to 16 May 1459, 17 Aug. 1460 till made sheriff (1461), 28 Oct. 1462 to 8 May 1469, and 3 Dec. 1473 till death; pardoned Oct. 1455; with Edith and the other coh. of Stanton St. John, he was pardoned arrears, 2 Mar. 1457. The King's squire, Richard Harcourt, was made parker of Cornbury, Oxon., Nov. 1460; sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., May to Nov. 1461; with Edith his wife, he had a grant of Shotswell, Warw., and at the same time he appears on the pardon roll, Feb. 1462. He was kntd. at the Queen's coronation, 26 May 1465; sheriff again 1466-7; on comms. from 1463. The Parlt. of 1467 exempted him and Edith, in respect of the manor of Shotswell, from the Act of Resumption; and in May 1468 he was given a pension of £20 for life for resisting traitors in Oxfordshire (*i.e.* Thomas Danvers, *q.v.*). He was pardoned in 1468, as of Longcombe, Oxon., with Catherine his second wife. Catherine had her dower in Ingham, Norfolk, and he was J.P. Norfolk, 12 Feb. 1469 to 10 Dec. 1470, and 20 June 1471 to 10 Nov. 1475. The Readeption govt. removed him from the Bench as an adherent of Edward IV; pardoned, 21 Jan. 1472.³

In Sept. 1472 John Paston wrote to his brother—"My lord of Norfolk and my lord of Suffolk were agreed i' more than a fortnight ago to have Sir Robert Wingfield and Sir Richard Harcourt as Knights of the Shire";⁴ so Sir John Paston gave up all hope of that seat. They were duly elected. Now called "King's Servant," he was made steward of Bampton, Oxon., during the minority of the Earl of Shrewsbury, Oct. 1473; and William, his son, was joined to him in the parkership of Cornbury, 1475. On the Duke of Suffolk's council, 1476;⁵ steward of Broughton and Bloxham, Oxon., during the minority of Lord Saye, with 100s. a year from the issues thereof, May 1477—renewed by Richard III in Sept. 1483. He was on all Richard III's comms.; pardoned with Catherine his wife in Feb. 1484, and given

¹ *Comp. Peer.* v. 397; vii. 64. William Lovel, Lord Morley (*q.v.*), *m.* the eldest of the St. Clair coheirs (*Geneal N.S.* xxi. 101).

² As of Minster Lovel, Oxon., and Edith his wife, a da. and h. of Thomas Seyntcler, esq. decd. (*m.* 39).

³ As of Ingham, Norf., kntd., *alias* late of Cornbury, late of Bryghtwell, late of Longcombe, late of Northlye, late of Stanton Harcourt, late esq., late sheriff.

⁴ *Paston Letters*, iii. 53.

⁵ Apparently the Duke's council consisted of:—Sir John and Sir Robert Wingfield, Sir Richard Harcourt, Sir Thomas Brewes and Sir William Calthorpe (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 69).

the custody of Sir Robert Willoughby's forfeited perquisites. When Henry VII came he must have lost some of his posts and emoluments, but he remained J.P. and was pardoned in May 1486 with Catherine his wife, as of Witham, Berks., knt., *alias* late of Cornbury, Oxon., *alias* late of London (m.13).

D. 1 Oct. 1486, when Miles s. of Christopher s. of Sir Richard Harcourt, aged 18, was his g.s. and h.; lands—Dorset, Berks., Oxon., Surrey and Sussex. Will, dat. 25 Sept., pr. 25 Oct. 1486:—Richard Harcourt of "Wigtham", Berks., knt. To be bur. in Abingdon Abbey. Masses for himself and for his w. Edith, and Dame Catherine, now his w. Bequests to w. Catherine, s. William, da. Isabel for her marriage, and to Margaret his da., wife of William Besillys. Margaret da. of Edward Harcourt, to be in the rule and guidance of Dame Catherine, and have 100 marks for her marriage. Residue to Dame Catherine and s. William, and they to be exors. Overseers—John, bishop of Lincoln, and John, abbot of Abingdon.¹

HARCOURT, Sir ROBERT, K.G. (1410–70); of Stanton-Harcourt, Oxon., and of Ellenhall, Staffs. M.P. OXFORDSHIRE 1447, 1450–1; BERKSHIRE 1460–1.

B. at Ellenhall, Staffs., 20 Sept. 1410, eldest s. and h. of Sir Thomas Harcourt of the same M.P., by Jane da. of Sir Robert Fraunceys M.P.; *m.* in or before 1440, Margaret, da. of Sir John Byron of Clayton, Lancs., widow of Sir William Atherton. She was still living as Harcourt's widow in Aug. 1484, and their son John had licence to enter on his inheritance in Nov. 1473.

Order to the eschrs. to give him seisin, 27 Feb. 1432; fought in France, kntd. 1433/40 and constable of Vernon in Normandy. In 1445 he was one of those sent to France to receive Margaret of Anjou and escort her to England. Pardoned, with Margaret his wife, Feb. 1446. His feud with the Staffords of Grafton began in 1448 by the killing of Richard Stafford at Coventry. The Staffords replied by raiding Stanton-Harcourt, burning house and church, and driving the Harcourts into the church tower. Sir Robert was pardoned his share in the affair, 25 May 1450, and Stafford of Grafton fell at Sevenoaks, 18 June 1450.

Sheriff, Warw., and Leics., 1444–5; of Oxon. and Berks., 1455–6; J.P. Berks., 8 Apr. 1446 to 24 June 1449, 1 May 1452 to 20 Nov. 1458, 28 Feb. 1463 to 8 Feb. 1468; J.P. Oxon., 1 May 1452 to 20 Nov. 1458, 17 Aug. 1460 till death; on comns. in Bucks. and Oxon. from 1442, chiefly non-political; an elector for Oxon., 1453; summoned to the meeting of the Great Council for Oxon., Apr. 1455—evidently assumed to be Lancastrian; and he was pardoned, as were other Lancastrians, in Feb. 1462. However, the 1459 Parlt. included his name in the list of Yorkist persons who were maintaining robbers, though it is significant that he was not attainted. By 1463 he had become a leading Yorkist; and was made Knight of the Garter. In spite of his age he was fighting in the North, being granted £300 a year for life "for his great services at the siege of Alnwick, and for the custody of the said castle," 1464.² He went with Thomas Colt (*q.v.*) on embassy to Louis XI at Rouen, May 1467.³

D. 14 Nov. 1470, when John, aged 20, was his s. and h. He was, in fact, killed by the bastard of Grafton and 150 Stafford retainers; he and Tiptoft were almost

¹ P.C.C., 27 Logge.

² *Staffs. Coll.*, iii. N.S. p. 199.

³ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 412.

the only victims of the Readeption of Henry VI. The feud did not end till Humphrey Stafford of Grafton (*q.v.*) was beheaded at Tyburn in 1486.

HARCOURT, Sir ROBERT (1466-1503); of Stanton-Harcourt, Oxon., and of Ellenhall, Staffs. Knt. of the Body 1498-1503; steward of Ewelme 1501-3.

M.P. OXFORDSHIRE 1491-2, 1495, (? 1497).

S. and h. of John Harcourt of same (*d.* 1484, which John was s. and h. of Sir Robert, K.G., M.P.), by Anne da. of John Norris of Bray (*q.v.*); *m.* Agnes da. of Thomas Limbrick (*q.v.*), and left four coheiresses; whereupon the entailed estates passed to Sir Simon Harcourt, Sir Robert's second cousin.

He had a grant of Wychwood and Burford, Oxon., 1492; sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 1492-3, of Staffs., 1494-5; J.P. Oxon., 4 Dec. 1493 till death; kntd. at York's creation 1494; a banneret at the fight at Blackheath, 1497; as knt. of the body he was granted the usual £10 a year, 1498; made steward of Ewelme, 1501; at the reception to Catherine of Arragon, 1501. In 1503 the abbot of Eynsham sued Sir Robert in the Star Chamber. He accused him of robbing the convent and of maliciously bringing suit against him—an offence the more heinous because the abbot was paying him 4 marks a year to have his favour, whereas he was their "destroyer and undoer." Harcourt replied that the abbot had invented it all to annoy him.¹

D., to judge from his J.P.ships, in 1503; but the absence of any Inquest at his death in the *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII* is not to be explained, and he may have died after the accession of Henry VIII. He was certainly dead by 1517.

HARCOURT, Sir WILLIAM (1418-75); of Erdington, Warw. M.P. WARWICKSHIRE 1467-8.

Fourth s. of Thomas Harcourt knt. of Stanton-Harcourt and of Ellenhall, Staffs. M.P. (1377-1420) by Jane da. of Sir Robert Fraunceys of Foremark, Derbys. M.P., and yr. bro. of Sir Robert, M.P., Sir Richard, M.P., and of John Harcourt. *M. Anne.*

Elector, Warw., 1453; on Staffs. comms. 1461-9. In June 1462 Sir Richard and William Harcourt "of Maxstoke, Warw. esq.", were bound to the King in 200 marks; kntd., 16 May/5 Nov. 1463; sheriff, Warw. and Leics., 1463-4. Pardoned, 26 Nov. 1471, "of Erdyngton, Warw., knt., *alias* late of Pery, Staffs., knt., *alias* late of Maxstoke, Warw., knt." Maxstoke was the Duke of Buckingham's castle.

He was dead by 1494. Will of William Harcourt knt., dat. 4 Jan. 1471, pr. 2 May 1494. To be bur. at Aston, Warw. To nephew William his two best oxen; to nephew Humphrey Sallowe a russet gown. Residue to Anne his wife and she sole exix. Supervisors, Prior of Maxstoke and Thomas Wald.²

HARCOURT, WILLIAM (1455-1515); of Witham, esq. Parker of Cornbury, Oxon., 1475-86, 1492-1515. M.P. BERKSHIRE 1491-2.

Yst. s. of Sir Richard Harcourt of same M.P. (1412-86) by Edith (St. Clair).

He was joined with his father as parker of Cornbury in Chorlbury, Oxon., 18 Mar. 1475; on Berks. and Oxon. comms. 1489 onwards, including the subsidy

¹ Leadham, *Select cases in the Star Chamber*, 1. 137-162.

² P.C.C., 9 Vox.

comn. for Oxon. in 1496. Cornbury which, on his father's death, had been granted to the King's servant, Anthony Fetiplace, was regranted to Fetiplace and Harcourt jointly, 29 July 1492.¹ Sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 1491-2 (after election to Parlt.), 1503-4, 1510-1; J.P. Oxon., 6 May 1501 to 5 Feb. 1511. He was yr. bro. of Christopher (*d.* 1474) and probably of Edward Harcourt, and a conveyance of land in Walkingstead, Surrey, in 1496 gives a clue to this difficult part of the Harcourt pedigree;² for (Sir) Simon third son of Christopher succeeded 1513/7 to Stanton-Harcourt and Ellenhall³ as well as to Witham, where his uncle William continued to live until his death. William was pardoned, 1509, as of Cornbury and of Witham, s. and exor. of Sir Richard Harcourt late of Witham, Berks. (4 m.17). He was apparently still alive and on an Oxon. comn., Aug. 1513.

HARDGILL, EDWARD (1435-87); of Mere, Wilts. Parker of Fremantle, 1461-85; Yeoman of the Crown 1460-76; Usher of the Chamber 1476-85; Verger of St. George's, Windsor, 1483-5. M.P. Weymouth 1467-8; Salisbury 1478.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Hardgill M.P. (1415-70); *m.* Elizabeth Moresby.

After Northampton he was made King's serjeant; yeoman of the Crown, 13 Nov. 1460, with 6*d.* a day out of Norwich; ranger of Fremantle and Woolmer forests, 6 Mar. 1461, with 2½*d.* a day. He accounted for Fremantle 1461-5;⁴ and was exempted as yeoman of the Crown 1464, 1467/8.⁵ In 1467 he and Elizabeth Moresby had a grant for life of Frithby, Lincs., forfeited by Lord Roos; in 1468 he was made ranger of Wychwood, Oxon., with 6*d.* a day. He was involved in the treason of Warwick and Clarence, Apr. 1470; but escaped and remained in his office; for the grant of the Duchy of Cornwall to the Prince in 1472 was "not to prejudice" this yeoman of the Crown,⁶ and in 1473 he and Elizabeth his wife were exempted for Frithby, he being called yeoman of the Crown.⁷ In 1475 he obtained a custody; in 1476 he became Usher of the Chamber, but the pension out of Norwich remained the same. A fresh grant of Frithby followed in 1477. Sheriff, Wilts., 1476-7; Hants 1477-8, when he was elected for Salisbury, engaging that he should not take more than 40*s.* for expenses however long the duration of Parliament.⁸ Sheriff, Som. and Dorset, 1479-80. At Edward IV's funeral,⁹ Sheriff, Wilts., 1483-4. Still Usher of the Chamber, he and William Evington (M.P.) were made jointly Vergers of St. George's, 24 May 1483, confirmed by Richard III.¹⁰ Richard regranted or confirmed also his parkership of Fremantle and his 6*d.* a day out of Norwich. On comn. of array, Wilts., 8 Dec. 1484. Pardoned 1484, "of Mere, Wilts., esq., *alias* gent."

He was probably dead by 25 Jan. 1488 when the rangership of Woolmer was granted to a new King's servant "as Edward Hardgill, Yeoman of the Crown had it." On 20 Nov. 1488 there was pardoned "George Hardgill, clerk, rector of Knowle, Wilts., exor. of the will of Edward Hardgill, late sheriff of Wilts., late parker of Fremantle, Hants, late sheriff of Hants, late sheriff of Som. and Dorset,

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1492), 386.

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 434.

³ Simon's issue for three generations:—John, Simon, Walter—were also Members of Parliament.

⁴ *Enr. Accts.* F. 6 Ed. IV. H.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* v. pp. 536, 548, 592, 594.

⁶ *ibid.* vi. 16.

⁷ *ibid.* vi. 87.

⁸ Benson & Hatcher, *Old & New Sarum*, 196.

⁹ Gairdner, *L. & P.* 8.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1483), pp. 348, 361.

late steward or parker of Mere, Wilts." (m.28). A *William* Hardgill was M.P. Westbury 1545-7.

HARDGILL (HARDEGYLL), THOMAS (1415-70); of Stourton, Wilts., and Shaftesbury; servant of Lords Stourton. M.P. Lyme 1453-4; Melcombe 1455-6; Shaftesbury 1460-1, 1467-8.

With Stephen Hatfield (*q.v.*), both "of Stourton", Wilts., he went mainprize for Sir Reynold Stourton, 1 May 1455;¹ controller of customs at Newcastle-on-Tyne, Mar. 1455; on a Shaftesbury comn., 13 Apr. 1461. Cf. Thomas Hardgill of Mere, Wilts., whose will was pr. in P.C.C., 1505.

HARDGRAVE, THOMAS (1420-85); of Nursling, Hants. Master of the Otter Hunt 1444-85. M.P. Marlborough 1453-4.

Presumably he came from Herts. or Hants and had no connection with Marlborough. He was made Master of the Otter Hunt, 18 Feb. 1444, with 2*d.* a day for himself, 1½*d.* for a groom, and ¾*d.* a day for each of 8 dogs, but 1*d.* a day for a dog called a "strevell"—all to be paid out of issues of Essex and Herts. This grant was resumed by Parliament 1449/50, but regranted 15 Feb. 1452, and in Nov. 1456. Edward IV carried on the hunt and the master, but he had two greyhounds and 10 running dogs. John Rogers of Frefolk, Hants (*q.v.*), and John Estbury of Letcombe, Berks., were mainpernors for Thomas Hardegrove esq., Thomas Brown, and Robert Anketyll (*q.v.*) for the keeping of "Addelyngton" and Pymore manors, Dorset, 1472.² In Dec. 1484 Richard III made Hardgrave and Thomas Dormer joint masters of the hunt. But this was a family settlement, for Dormer had married Jane da. and h. of Thomas Hardgrave by Christine da. and h. of Edmund Forster "of Nutshelling", Hants., Easter 1494, when Hardgrave was dead.³

HARDING (HARDYNG), WILLIAM (1395-1460); of Newcastle and Chilburn, Nhd. M.P. Newcastle 1433, 1447, 1449 (1), 1453-4.

S. of Sampson Harding, mayor of and M.P. for Newcastle, and M.P. for Northumberland 1421. His son, Roger, *m.* the heiress of Roger del Outh of Hollinside, Durham.

Sheriff of Newcastle, 1439-40; sheriff of Nhd. 1445-6; mayor and eschr. of Newcastle 1444-5, 1446-7, 1449-50, 1452-3; elector of Newcastle 1442, 1447, 1449 (2). In 1433 William Harding, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, gent., *alias* of Chilburne, Nhd., esq., was suing for debt. He was on comns. in 1432 and 1447 to 1454. Pardoned 1 Dec. 1455, as "of Newcastle-on-Tyne, esq., *alias* gent."

HARECURT see HARCOURT.

HARINGTON, Sir JAMES (1430-87); of Brearley, Yorks., and Hornby, Lancs. Knight of the Body 1479-85. M.P. LANCASHIRE 1467-8, 1478, (? 1483, ? 1484).

Second but eld. surv. s. of Sir Thomas Harrington of Hornby M.P. (1400-61) by Elizabeth (Dacre); *m.* Jane da. of John Nevill of Oversley and widow of Sir William Gascoyne.

¹ Fine Roll, 33 Hen. VI (m.6).

² Fine Roll, 11 Edward IV.

³ *Geneal. N.S.*

He was probably with his father and the Nevilles at Blore Heath and Ludford, 1459; pardoned all treasons, as "gent.", 25 Mar. 1460; eschr., Yorks., 1460-1; probably knntd. 1465 at the Queen's coronation.¹ On 3 July 1465 he had a grant to him and heirs male of Thurland castle and other of the forfeited lands of Sir Richard Tunstall M.P.,² or, according to *Foedera*, up to £100 a year therefrom, "for his service in capturing" Henry VI. For Henry VI and Sir Richard Tunstall, in their wanderings, came to the house of Sir William Tempest, who betrayed them. Sir James Harington came upon them while at meat. Tunstall, defending the King, gave Henry and 3 clerks time to escape for the moment and they were taken hiding in a wood. Tunstall broke away and escaped to Harlech. Harington got also 100 marks reward and £100 for expenses.³ At that time Harington's lands at Brearley, Yorks., had been seized into the King's hands, probably for default as escheator⁴ (Pardon, 9 Jan. 1466, James Harington, "knight, *alias* esq., late escheator of Yorks."); and in Dec. 1466 he got a further £340 out of the issues of Yorks.; sheriff 1466-7. He was exempted in 1467/8 in respect of those lands and grants;⁵ but in 1473 only in respect of £100 a year out of Bowland,⁶ for Tunstall was generously forgiven. His yr. bro. Sir Robert took his place for Lancs. in this Parlt.; and the two joined together to despoil the das. of their dead bro. Sir John, June 1473.⁷ J.P. West Riding, 24 Feb. 1472 till made sheriff; and 13 May 1477 till attainder. Sheriff, Yorks. again, 1475-6, and pardoned arrears, 28 Nov. 1476, "of Brerely, Yorks., *alias* of Hornby, Lancs., *alias* of Pomfret, late sheriff." He was a knight of the body by May 1479, when granted licence to encastle Farleton, Lancs., and Brearley, Yorks. In 1482 he was one of the comn. to whom the Constableness of England was entrusted in place of Gloucester. He adhered to Richard III; pardoned 26 Feb. 1484, "late of Brerely, Yorks., knight, late of Tateham, Lancs., late of Farleton, *alias* late of London" (m.10)—hence probably M.P.

Henry VII had him attainted, 1485.⁸ He was admitted to allegiance, 18 Aug. 1486, but is said to have died in poverty, 1488⁹—too poor even to pay the Chancery clerks for his pardon.¹⁰ Farleton in Kendal was granted in Mar. 1489 to Sir Edward Stanley (afterwards lord Monteagle), who had *m.* one of the ill-treated das. and heiresses of the eldest brother John. Sir James died intestate and administration was granted at York in 1493 to his bastard son John. But nonetheless he had made a will at "Brierley", 12 July 1482, on setting out on the Scottish expedition.¹¹

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1466), 479.

³ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 381.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* v. pp. 584, 608.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1473), 427.

⁹ *Inq. p.m.* Henry VII, 2. 44.

¹⁰ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 542; his bastard s. John is said to have died *s.p.* (*Misc. Gen. & Her.* iii. 236).

¹¹ To be bur. in the priory of Monk Bretton; provision for a tomb. Thos. Ashton esq., John Bosville of Chete esq., Thos. Trigott gent. (*q.v.*), and others to hold Brearley etc., Yorks.; mentions uncle, John Harington, decd.; Thos. Broughton (*q.v.*), Robt. Harington kt. (*q.v.*), Thos. Ashton esq., John Harington "my son Bastard," esq., etc., his feoffees of Over Kellet, Lancs., to pay his debts; Hemsworth to his bastard son John for life, reversion to Sir James' right heirs. His son and heir to the King's wardship during his minority. Plate to his sister Margt. Exors.:—John Harington bastard, Thos. Trigott, and clerks. Goods to his s. and h., to bastard s. John, and for his soul. Overseers:—Sir Robt. Harington his bro., Sir John Sayle his nephew, Thos. Ashton his bro.-in-law (*Misc. Gen. & Her.* iii. 269).

² *ibid.* (1465), pp. 445, 460-1.

⁴ *Enr. Accts.* F. 6. Ed. IV. F.

⁶ *ibid.* vi. 90.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 276.

HARINGTON, JOHN (1440-90); of Grantham and Fleet, Lincs. Clerk of the Court of Requests. Lawyer. M.P. Grantham 1472-5.

S. of John, s. of Thomas, s. of William, s. of Baldwin de Haryngton of Grantham.¹

Pardoned, 25 Aug. 1470, as a mercht. of the staple; eschr., Lincs., 1473-4; pardoned 10 Feb. 1477. By 1480 he had settled on his da. Agnes in marriage with Robert Harbottle, lands in Grantham, Gunby, Manthorp and Westhorp.² It is probably the same man—King's servitor—who was granted in Dec. 1483 a pension of £20 a year out of Sheriff Hutton, Yorks., for good service in connection with Bills for poor persons; also he was made Clerk of the Court of Requests.³ The pension was renewed in Feb. 1485 to Master John Haryngton.

HARINGTON, Sir RICHARD (1400-62); of West Leigh, Lincs. Soldier; Bailiff of Caen 1438-50; Controller of the Household 1452-60. M.P. LANCASHIRE 1450-1, 1453-4, 1459, (? 1460). Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir James Harrington (M.P. 1404) (*d.* 1418),⁴ and nephew of Sir William Harington, K.G.; *m.* by 1414 Elizabeth da. of Sir William Bradshagh⁵ and his s. was Sir William, M.P. (1430-88).

He served in the retinue of the Sire de Harington at Agincourt, and was knntd. 1420/30. In 1433/4 he was in Evreux with 15 lances, 20 foot soldiers and 105 archers. In 1435 he was a knight-banneret in the retinue of the Duke of Bedford.⁶ Bailiff of Caen in Mar. 1438, when he was sent on embassy to the Court of France;⁷ still bailiff in 1442, and called Captain of Caen in 1444/5 when it was besieged.⁸ He was still bailiff when it fell in 1450.⁹ Pardoned, 12 Apr. 1437, as s. and h. of Sir James Harington, late sheriff of Cumberland (*m.* 27), and 4 Nov. 1446, with the further description "Bailiff of Caen, lieutenant of John, duke of Somerset, Captain of Faleys" (*m.* 23).

He came home, sat on some comns. dealing with defence and pay in 1450-2, and was made Controller of the Household, probably in succession to his colleague Sir Thomas Stanley in 1452. When exactly he was made Controller and for how long he held the most important post in the Household is unknown. Only we know that the Parlt. of 1455 exempted him from the Act of Resumption in respect of £40 a year from the Honor of Pontefract and Duchy of Lancaster, calling him Controller of the Household, and on account of his service in France. There is no further mention of him at all till he was elected to the Coventry Parlt. in 1459. Mr. Pink's statement that he sat also in the 1460 Parlt. may be true but his authority is unknown.

D. 20 Oct. 1462, when William his s. and h. succeeded him in his Cumberland lands.¹⁰

HARINGTON, Sir ROBERT (1435-87); of Badsworth, Yorks. M.P. LANCASHIRE 1472-5.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.*

² *ibid.* 56/210.

³ K. Pickthorn, *Henry VII*, p. 37.

⁴ *Misc. Gen. & Her.* iii. 236.

⁵ H. Hornyold-Strickland, *Lancs. M.P.s*, 47.

⁶ Stevenson, *L. & P.*, ii. 436.

⁷ *Foedera*, V. i. 145.

⁸ Kingsford, *Chronicle of London*, 137.

⁹ Stevenson, *L. & P.*, ii. 631.

¹⁰ *Inq. p.m.* 7 Edward IV. No. 48.

Third s. of Sir Thomas Harington of Hornby M.P. (1410-61) by Elizabeth (Dacre), and yr. bro. of Sir James Harington M.P. (1430-87) (*q.v.*); *m.* Isabel (*d. c.* 1504) yr. da. and coh. of William Balderston (the other coh. *m.* Sir John Pilkington and jointly they held Balderston in Blackburn).

An elector, Lancs., 1467, 1478, on both occasions electing his bro.; kntd. 4 May 1471 at Tewkesbury.¹ In June 1473 Sir James and Sir Robert (while M.P.) had seized the castles and lands of their father and elder bro. (Sir John), both deceased, and turned out their nieces, Anne and Elizabeth; the chancellor orders their ejection.² Made banneret in Scotland by the Duke of Gloucester 1482;³ adhered to Richard III; J.P. Kent, 5 Dec. 1483 to 1485; attainted with Sir James 1485;⁴ admitted to allegiance, pardoned and restored as though not attainted, 17 Aug. 1486.⁵ Again attainted and probably executed, 1487. His s. and h. James, a chaplain of Thurland *alias* the younger of "Teytham," Lancs., obtained the reversal of the 1487 attainder from the Parlt. of 1504,⁶ and became Dean of York.⁷

HARINGTON, ROBERT (1450-1501); of Exton. M.P. RUTLAND (? 1487), 1491-2.

S. and h. of John Harington of the same, squire of the Body (*d.* 1481), by Catherine da. and h. of Sir John Colepeper.⁸

On array comns. Leics., May and Dec. 1484; Yorks. 1486; Rutland, from the subsidy comns. of Jan. 1488 and Dec. 1488 to the oyer of 1495; J.P. Rutland, 22 Mar. 1486 till sheriff 1491-2 (after he had been elected to Parliament), and 5 Feb. 1497 till death.

D. 1501; will of Robert Harington of Exton, esq., dat. 19 Feb., pr. 16 May 1501. To be bur. at Exton. Bequests to da. Margaret, to John Harington his son, and he residuary legatee and exor.⁹

HARINGTON, SIMON; cadet of Bishton, Salop.¹⁰ Clerk of the Crown; lawyer. M.P. Bridgnorth 1495.

M. Jane, widow of Thomas Brampstone by 1483/5.¹¹

In 1493 the Earl of Shrewsbury granted him lands in Stanton, within the demesne of Shifnal, "for good counsel given and to be given to the Earl"¹⁰—therefore perhaps lawyer. The *Salop Visitn.* calls him Clerk of the Crown, *temp.* Hen. VII.

HARINGTON, Sir THOMAS (1400-60); of Hornby, Lancs. Soldier. M.P. LANCASHIRE 1432, 1437, 1442, 1447, 1449 (1); YORKSHIRE 1455-6. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Sir William Harington, K.G. (*d.* 1440),¹² by Margaret (*d.* 1450), da. and coh. of Sir Robert Nevill of Hornby, Lancs. M.P.; *m.* Elizabeth (*d.* 1485) da. of Thomas, lord Dacre. He and his s. John were killed at Wakefield. His other two sons were M.P.s—Sir James (1430-87), Sir Robert (1435-87).

¹ Shaw, *Knights*, ii. 14.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1473), 427.

³ Shaw, *op. cit.* ii. 18.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 276.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1486), 119, 133.

⁶ *ibid.* (1504), 356.

⁷ *Misc. Gen. & Her.* iii. 236, 272.

⁸ *Rutland Magazine*, 1908.

⁹ P.C.C., 22 Moone.

¹⁰ *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

¹¹ In 1483/5 Simon Harington and Jane his wife, widow as above, sued feoffees to uses for lands near Chesterfield, Derbys. (*Early Chan. Proc.* 65/192).

¹² Pardon Roll of 1446 includes Thomas Harington, knt., s. and h. of William Harington and exor. of his will, *alias* J.P. West Riding (m.25). Beltz, *Order of the Garter*, clx.

He conveyed half Sedbergh ch. to the abbey of Coverham, 3 Jan. 1430;¹ went with the King to France in 1430, and had letters of Protection again in 1431. In 1436 he led 130 men to the relief of Calais and Crotoy. Sworn to the peace in Lancs. in 1434; joined Sir Thomas Radcliffe in a lease of Wyresdale, Lancs., 1438, which was renewed in 1443. In Apr. 1445 he went to France with a large retinue to bring over Margaret of Anjou. J.P. West Riding, 21 Mar. 1438 to 8 Dec. 1459; and J.P. Cumbd., 12 Feb. 1449 to 9 May 1452; taken prisoner by the Scots, *c.* 1448, and therefore exempted from resumption 1450; kntd. Jan./Feb. 1449 after election to Parlt.; elector, Lancs., 1449 (2) and in 1450 when his nephew was elected; pardoned, 1452, 1455, 1458 and 1459, always of Hornby, Lancs., and sometimes of Brearley, Yorks., also; on comns. 1433 to Dec. 1460, including all the Yorkist ones of that year. In May 1454 he was one of the four knights sumnd. to a Gt. Council;² sheriff of Yorks., 1455-6, a Yorkist appointment; apptd. to be keeper of the peace with Scotland, 1457;³ in Nov. 1458 he took part in a Yorkist party council at Middleham castle; and was with the Yorkists at Blore Heath, 1459. Sir Thomas Harington and Sir Thomas and Sir John Nevill, pursuing the Lancastrians after the battle, were captured next day at the bridge of Acton, Ches., by John Done of Utkinton, whose father Sir John had fallen the previous day.⁴ In Oct. his lands were ordered to be confiscated, and he was attainted Dec. 1459. After Northampton he was pardoned an old outlawry, and again made J.P. West Riding.

He was with the Duke of York at Wakefield, wounded in the battle, 30 Dec. 1460, and died next day.⁵ His s. and h. fell in the same battle.⁶ Will, see *Test. Ebor.* ii. 249.

HARINGTON, Sir WILLIAM (1430-88); of West Leigh, Lancs., and Whinfell, Westd. M.P. LANCASHIRE 1467-8; WESTMORLAND 1478, (and ? 1484).

S. and h. of Sir Richard Harington M.P. (1400-62) of West Leigh by Elizabeth (Bradshaw); *m.* 1442 Elizabeth da. of Edmund Pilkington;⁷ issue James and Nicholas.⁸

Elector, Lancs., 1447; Lancs. comnr., 1457, 1461; the herbage of Whinfell, forfeited by Lord Clifford, was granted him, 18 Feb. 1462—exempted 1467/8 and 1473. Pardoned outlawry June 1469, "of Westley, Lancs. esq.", for not paying his tailor. Knighted 1473/7. Like his other Harington relations he supported Richard III. J.P. Kent, 1 Jan. 1484-5, and on Kent comns. throughout 1484-5. J.P. Northants., 20 Sept. 1485 till death. Though not attainted in 1485, Whinfell was lost; and he died 12 Aug. 1488, seised of West Leigh and of 2/3rds of Blackrod, Lancs. His only son James died 1497, leaving 11 daughters.⁹

HARLESTON, JOHN (1403-57); of Shimpling. M.P. SUFFOLK 1431, 1439-40, 1442.

B. 1 Nov. 1403,¹⁰ s. and h. of Ives Harleston (*d.* 1403/4) by Eleanor (*d.* 1416)¹¹ da. and h. of (?) Robert Cavendish; *m.* (1) Sybil heiress of Navestock, Essex, by

¹ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1430), 38.

² *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 184-6.

³ *Foedera*, V. ii. 75.

⁴ *Gregory's Chronicle*—Camden Soc. 1876—p. 204.

⁵ Worcester, *Annals*, 775.

⁶ H. H. Strickland, *Lancs. M.P.s*, pp. 48, 49.

⁷ *ibid.* p. 49.

⁸ *Misc. Gen. & Her.* iii. 236.

⁹ W. D. Pink.

¹⁰ Proof of age, 3 Hen. VI (C. 139. 20. 47).

¹¹ 10 July 1416, the custody of the lands and heir late of Ives Harleston and of his widow Eleanor are granted during the minority of the son, John.

whom he had John and Robert M.P.; and (2), by 1446, Elizabeth (*d.* 1464),¹ da. of Thomas Heath and widow of William Berdwell.²

On Suffolk comns. from 1433 to 1450, many of them gaol delivery and *oyer et terminer*—perhaps a lawyer; pardoned, 1437;³ J.P. Suffolk, 9 Mar. 1439 till death. A Suffolk elector 1449 (2) and 1450; sheriff, Cambs. and Hunts., 7 Apr. 1450 to 8 Feb. 1451; pardoned, 1446, together with Elizabeth his wife; but in 1452 the lands of John Harleston, namely Enhale, Cambs., Wimbish, Essex, and Belaugh, Nhd., were seized into the King's hands. On 14 Nov. 1452 he was, however, pardoned; and again Jan. 1456.⁴

D. 8 Mar. 1457, when John, aged 26, was his s. and h.

HARLESTON, ROBERT (1435-71); of Enhale, Cambs. Lawyer. M.P. Maldon 1469. Lancastrian.

S. of John Harleston M.P. (1403-57), by Sybil heiress of Navestock, Essex;⁵ m. Alice or Anne (*d.* 1473), widow of John Berners,⁶ and da. of Sir Henry Bruyn of Carlton, Lincs.

He was under-steward of the Duchy of Lancaster and the Duke of Suffolk's servant when they harried Margaret Paston at Drayton, Apr.-July 1465. In 1466 he and Clement Heigham were feoffees for Thomas Cotton of Exning, Suffolk.⁷ In 1469 Harleston was admtd. to freedom of Maldon as preliminary to becoming its burgess to Parlt.⁸ William and Robert Harleston were on the Readeption comn. in Suffolk, Oct. 1470; J.P. Suffolk, of the quorum, 4 Dec. 1470-1; and in Dec. 1471, Enhale, Cambs., late of Robert Harleston esq., forfeited by his rebellion, was granted to Richard of Gloucester.⁹

He may have been killed in 1471, for his inquest was ordered 20 May 1471.¹⁰ His wife Anne *rem.* Sir John Heveningham and *d.* 1473.¹¹ Harleston's s. and h. John seems to have died in 1499, when his s. and h. Clement was aged 5.

HARLETON (HERLETON), HENRY; Servant of the Earl of Suffolk. M.P. Wallingford 1449 (1).

In September 1441, for good service in France, and with the assent of the Earl of Suffolk, Harleton was confirmed for life in the office of Clerk to the Justices in Cheshire, Flint, and North Wales, and Keeper of the Rolls of Chester. The Earl of Suffolk was Constable of Wallingford.

HARPUR, RICHARD (1430-92); of White Roding, Essex. Of Duke of Buckingham's household; of the Exchequer 1469-71; Receiver-general of the Duchy of Lancaster, 1485-92; lawyer. M.P. Stafford boro' 1467-8, (? 1470-1), 1472-5; Bletchingley 1478; (? 1483 Jan., ? 1485-6, ? 1487, ? 1489-90); Newcastle-under-Lyme 1491-2. Lancastrian.

¹ Writ *diem clausit* to eschr. of Norf. and Suff.—Elizabeth who was wife of John Harleston (Fine Roll, 4 Edw. IV, m.1).

² Davy, Suffolk Colls.; Add. MSS. 19234.

³ Pardon Roll, July 1437—of Shimpling, Suffolk, esq. (m.17).

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1456—of Shimpling, esq., *alias* late of Bardewell, late sheriff of Cambs. and Hunts., *alias* exor. of the will of Robert Caundyssh, late Serjeant-at-Law (m.12).

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 71/148.

⁶ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. p. 237.

⁷ *ibid.* ii. p. 182.

⁸ Maldon Court Books.

⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 297.

¹⁰ Fine Roll, 11 Edw. IV (m.24). Writ *diem clausit* directed to eschr. of Norf. and Suff., 20 May 1471.

¹¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 883.

Second s. of John Harper of Rushall, Staffs., M.P. (*d.* 1464), by Eleanor heiress of Rushall; *m.* Elizabeth Booth.

The Harpurs were of the Duke of Buckingham's household; and Richard was an exor. of Duchess Anne's will in 1480. Through Sir Henry Stafford (*d.* 1471) second husband of the Lady Margaret, Harpur became connected with Sir Reynold Bray. Bray sat for Newcastle-under-Lyme in 1478 when Harpur sat for the Stafford boro' of Bletchingley; and in 1491 Bray, as Chancellor of the Duchy, put Harpur in for Newcastle.

An officer at the receipt of the Exchequer, 19 July 1469;¹ eschr., Essex and Herts., 1476-7; pardoned, 24 Feb. 1484, "of White Roding, gent., late eschr., late receiver of the 10th and 15th granted in 1483 Parlt. in Wilts. and Hants, late receiver of Henry, duke of Buckingham, *alias* of London, gent., *alias* tenant of lands late of Sir John Skrene and Richard Ashton" (m.8). Harpur was probably with Stanley, Lady Margaret's third husband, throughout 1484-5, joining Henry Tudor at or after Bosworth. Henry VII (or Bray) made him Receiver general of Duchy of Lancaster, 22 Sept. 1485,² and he was reappointed Receiver general of Buckingham's lands in England, Wales and Calais, 7 Nov. 1485.³ He had no grants, bought a wardship in 1488, and equipped the *Sovereign* at a cost of £480, being reimbursed from Duchy revenues, 1489.⁴ In July 1489 the comn. to enquire into the Duchy revenues consisted of Sir James Blount, then steward of Tutbury, the two auditors, Harpur the Receiver general, John Agard, the receiver of the Honor of Tutbury, John Cut and John Welles.⁵

D. 22 Oct. 1492;⁶ will pr. 18 Jan. 1493, in which he left to Bray his silver gilt cup. (P.C.C., 15 Dogett.)⁷

HARRINGTON see HARINGTON.

HARROW (HARWE), JOHN (1415-60); of London, mercer. M.P. London 1449-50, 1450-1, 1455-6; Horsham 1460 till death. Yorkist.

He occurs as a mercht. in London, July 1439; auditor of London 1447-9, 1458-60; never alderman nor mayor; pardoned 7 Nov. 1446. In 1450 he was one of the merchts. of the staple who had lent money for the defence of Calais; the Parlt. of 1449-50 (in which he sat) agreed to the repayment of this loan through the customs;⁸ and he was on the committee apptd. by the Common Council to receive and spend the large sum raised for defence of Calais.⁹ A London elector, 1453; pardoned again, 2 Jan. 1459, as mercer, stapler, and of Herts. (m.45).

He had been surety for the Earl of Salisbury's men, when they were released from prison (1454) after a riot.¹⁰ In July 1460, when the Earls advanced on London, Lords Hungerford and Lovell, with Gervase Clifton and Hampden, threw themselves into the Tower and held it against the Yorkists. The Earls of March and Warwick went on to Northampton, but Salisbury remained in London to reduce the Tower; and with him was the mercer Harrow, fit prototype of Chesterton's Notting Hill shopkeeper. Sir John Wenlock and Harrow attacked from the St.

¹ Issue Roll, East. 9 Edw. IV, No. 842.

² Campbell, *Materials*, i. 553.

³ *ibid.* i. 150.

⁴ *ibid.* ii. 439.

⁵ *ibid.* ii. 463.

⁶ Fine Roll, 8 Hen. VII. Writ *diem clausit extremum* 24 Oct. 1492.

⁷ For Will more fully, see *Staffs. Cols.* 1917, p. 250-1.

⁸ *Rpt. Parl.* v. 208.

⁹ *Jor.* 5, fo. 58d.

¹⁰ *Jor.* 5, fo. 152; R. R. Sharpe, *London and the Kingdom*, i. 290.

Katherine's side, and after three weeks' hard fighting in the breach the Lancastrians surrendered, 19 July 1460.¹ After Parlt. was prorogued, Harrow went on north with Salisbury and was either slain fighting at Wakefield,² 30 Dec. 1460, or taken and beheaded next day at Pontefract.³

HART (HERT), NICHOLAS (1430-80); of Gloucester, tanner. M.P. Gloucester boro' 1460-1.

In 1455 he dwelt in a divided tenement in Northgate st. with various others. Elector, Gloucester boro', 1467. Bailiff of Gloucester, 1472, when the bailiffs were sued by Sir Richard Beauchamp (*q.v.*) on the grounds that the procedure of Gloucester Piepowder Court required the bailiffs to be responsible for the levying of money recovered by the award of the court as well as for the custody of the debtors.⁴ Perhaps father of Thomas Hart, mayor 1490; perhaps s. of Thomas Hart, a Gloucester boro' elector in 1449 (1).

HART (HERT), THOMAS (1420-75); of Arundel, stationer (?). M.P. Arundel 1453-4.

Perhaps s. of John Hart, M.P. Lewes 1414.

In 1465/70 Thomas Hart, groom of the ewery, nephew and heir of Richard Hart, sued feoffees to uses for a messuage at Sittingbourne, Kent.⁵ And in 1463/7 William Barlee, grocer of London, sued Robert Trotte, tallow-chandler (M.P. Arundel 1450), and Thomas Hart, stationer, on a bond of suretyship.⁶ On the whole we may say that the M.P. for Arundel in 1453 is more likely to be the stationer (of Arundel ?) than the groom of the ewery, and that they were not the same man.

HART, WILLIAM (1435-89); of Totnes. M.P. Totnes 1472-5.

William Hart of Totnes had a genl. pardon, 10 Feb. 1482, except for accounts due to the Exchr. He *d.* 1489; will, dat. 20 July, pr. 11 Nov. 1489:— William Hart of Gt. Totnes, merchant. To be bur. in par. ch. of Totnes. His nephew John Ball of Totnes is residuary legatee and exor.⁷

HART, WILLIAM (1445-99); of Islington, Mdsx.; lawyer. M.P. Reading 1484.

Perhaps s. of William Hart of London, mercer, who was pardoned 1446, and had been controller of customs at Sandwich.

An attorney in London, Herts., Essex, etc., 1470-90;⁸ entered the Guild at Reading, paying 5s. to guild, 5s. to the abbot, and 3s. 4d. for breakfasts, 4 Oct. 1478; and the same day, as "of London, gent.", he acquired a house in Reading.⁹

D. 1499; will, dat. 20 Feb., pr. 19 Apr. 1499. To be bur. in St. Alphege's. Bequests to "Isleton" church for tithes forgotten. Bequest to da. Jane for her marriage. His wife to have his house for life, and as long as she remain single to have Stephanie Walker for her apprentice. Wife Isabel to have all moveable goods and to be exix. Supervisor, "Sir" Thomas Gore, vicar of Isleton.¹⁰

¹ Scofield, *Edw. IV*, i. 89. ² Worcester, *Annales*, 778. ³ Scofield, *Edw. IV*, i. 121-2.

⁴ *Select Cases on the Law Merchant*, pp. 122-6 (*Seldon Soc.* xlv. [1929]).

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 33/192.

⁶ *ibid.* 30/66.

⁷ P.C.C., 20 Milles.

⁸ Plea Rolls, Trin. 10 Edw. IV; East. 20 Edw. IV; Trin. 5. Hen. VII.

⁹ Guilding, *Reading Diaries*, i. 76, 77.

¹⁰ P.C.C., 31 Horne.

HARTSHORN (HERTESHORN), WILLIAM (1415-72); of Caldecote¹ and Ickwell.² M.P. BEDFORDSHIRE 1449-50, 1450-1.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Hartshorn of the same (elector, Beds., 1435).

Elector Beds. 1449 (1); eschr., Beds. and Bucks., 1450-1, appointed while M.P.; on Beds. comns. 1451-55; J.P. Hunts., 22 July 1455 to 11 July 1459. On Hunts. comns. 1457 till the Lancastrian array in Dec. 1459. J.P. Beds., 29 May 1461 to 1470, and 1471 till death; on Yorkist comns. of array in Beds., May 1471 and 7 Mar. 1472. Hartshorn was pardoned 28 Jan. 1459;³ and with the Lancastrians, 8 May 1462.²

D. between Mar. and Oct. 1472.

HARVEY see HERVEY.

HARWE see HARROW.

HARWELL, ROGER (1445-1501); of Besford, esq. Of Clarence's household.

M.P. WORCESTERSHIRE 1491-2.

S. and h. of William Harwell³ by Elizabeth da. and coh. of John Dikleston of Dixon, Glos., by Margaret (d. 1421) heiress of Besford;⁴ m. a da. and h. of Corbett of Cowleigh, and had a son Edmund.⁵

J.P. Worcs., 16 Nov. 1473 to 1500; elector, Worcs., 1478; on Worcs. comns. 1473 to gaol delivery at Worcester 1496, including all of 1483-4 and the subsidy commn. of Jan. 1488.

One of the charges in the impeachment of Clarence was that he had tried to substitute another child for his own, who was to be smuggled away to Ireland or Flanders to seek aid against the King. Clarence was alleged to have desired Abbot Tweybury, Mr. John Tapton and Roger Harwell, squire of his household, to cause the strange child to be brought in. Only the refusal of Harwell to deliver the real son to the servant sent to fetch him away prevented this design!⁶ So, no doubt, testified Harwell. This is a fair example of the sort of thing people would believe, and of the sort of evidence that was desired and procurable.

Harwell probably sat often in Parlt. as he was on all those comns. 1483-8. He was a feoffee, as "of Besford esq." in June 1485.⁷ D. shortly before 24 Oct. 1501, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Worcestershire.⁸

HARWOOD, JOHN; Girlington's servant. M.P. Appleby 1447.

Mr. Hornyold Strickland says that he was not a Westmorland man; but on 16 Apr. 1451 one Harwood was the servant to Nicholas Girlington.⁹ As Nicholas Girlington was returned for Westmorland for this Parlt. he must have arranged for his servant to be returned for Appleby. A Robert, s. of John Harwood, occurs in Kent in 1467/72.¹⁰

¹ As "of Caldecote, Beds., esq., late of Ampthill" (m.39).

² As "of Ikewell, Beds., esq., *alias* of Kikewall, *alias* late of London, *alias* late of Noryewell, Beds., *alias* late escheator" (m.30). He owned neither Caldecote, nor Ampthill, nor Northill; perhaps a servant of Grey of Ruthin who lived at Ampthill.

³ A Roger Harwell was M.P. Warw. Co., 1431.

⁴ Nash, *Worces.* i. 77.

⁵ *Visitn. Worces.* 71.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 194; Scofield, *Edward IV.* ii. 208.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 291.

⁸ Fine Roll, 17 Hen. VII (m.12).

⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1451), 459.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 38/147.

HASARD, RICHARD (1425-75); of Malmesbury, yeoman. M.P. Wootton Bassett 1453-4.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Hasard (1400-60) M.P. Malmesbury.

Both Thomas and Richard Hasard were prisoners in Gloucester castle in Feb. 1453¹—active partisans if Richard was elected so soon afterwards. On the Pardon Roll, 16 May 1469, appears Richard Hasard, yeoman, late of Malmesbury, Wilts., yeoman, *alias* of Lupe in Charlton, Wilts., gent. (m.3), and this must be the M.P.

HASARD (*alias* SHORT),² THOMAS (1400-60); of Escote and Leigh, Wilts. Coroner. ? Lawyer. M.P. Malmesbury 1437, (? 1439-40), 1442, (? 1445-6), 1447, 1449 (1), 1453-4, 1455-6.

Sworn to the peace in Wilts., 1434; pardoned, July 1446, as of Escote, Wilts., gent., *alias* of Legh, Wilts. (m.7); elector, Wilts., 1447, 1449 (1) and 1450. Collector of 10th and 15th granted by the first Parlt. of 1449 in which he sat;³ coroner of Wilts. in Nov. 1449; again pardoned and with his *alias* of Short, 1452/3.⁴

It is to be hoped that this pardon was issued after 28 Feb. 1453, when a Thomas Hasard was in Gloucester gaol awaiting trial. However, the incarcerated man is not likely to be the man returned for Malmesbury four days earlier. Hasards represented Malmesbury frequently from 1295 onwards.

HASTINGS, Sir HUGH (1440-88); of Fenwick, Yorks., and of Elsing and Gressenhall, Norf. M.P. YORKSHIRE 1472-5, (? 1484).

S. and h. of John Hastings of same,⁵ d. 1477, by Anne da. of Thomas, lord Morley; related to Earl of Northumberland. M. Anne da. of Sir William Gascoigne of Gawthorpe, Yorks., M.P.

Kntd. by 1463; on Yorks. comns. from 1463 including all those of 1483-4. He stirred up the county of York in 1468 against the payment of St. Peter's corn to the House of St. Leonard's, York, *i.e.*, one thrave from each plough working in Yorkshire and Cumberland;⁶ pardoned, 1468⁷ and 4 Feb. 1472;⁸ J.P. West Riding, 24 Feb. 1472 to 10 Nov. 1475; sheriff, Yorks., 1479-80; made a banneret by the Duke of Gloucester in Scotland, 24 July 1482;⁹ remained with Richard III, and assisted in suppressing the Duke of Buckingham's rising and rewarded by extensive grants in Norfolk; comnr. of subsidy, Yorks., 1 Aug. 1483 and 18 Feb. 1484; pardoned, 27 Feb. 1484.¹⁰

He conformed directly after Bosworth and was rewarded by Henry VII, being made J.P. Yorks. and Norf., Sept. 1485 till death; steward of Tickhill, 20 Sept. 1485;¹¹ exempted by Parlt. 1485/6;¹² £20 a year pension from the fishery of Aire;¹³ 5 May 1486.

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1453), 62. ² Pardon Roll, as below. ³ Fine Roll, 27 Hen. VI (m.7).

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1452/3, as of Lee, Wilts., *alias* of Estcote *alias* Thomas Short of Lee (m.31).

⁵ 1478, Hugh, s. and h. of John s. and h. of Edward, s. and h. of Hugh Hastings (*Geneal. N.S.* xx. 36).

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1468), 131; *Early Chan. Proc.* 32/145.

⁷ As late of Fenwick, late of London, late of Norwich knt. (m.37).

⁸ As late of Norwich knt., late of Fenwick, Yorks., late of London knt.

⁹ Shaw, *Knights*, ii. 17.

¹⁰ As of Fenwick, knt., late of Elsing, Norf., late of Norwich, *alias* h. and exor. of John Hastings senior, *alias* late sheriff of Norfolk (m.29).

¹¹ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 550. ¹² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 369. ¹³ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 425.

D. 7 June 1488, when John, aged 22, was his s. and h.—lands, Yorks. and Norfolk—and his wife Anne survived him. Will, dat. 20 June 1482, being about to set out on an expedition to Scotland, pr. at York, 16 Jan. 1490.¹

HASTINGS, Sir LEONARD (1396–1455);² of Kirby. M.P. LEICESTERSHIRE 1455 till death.

Bro. and h. of Sir Richard Hastings, *d.* 1436;² *m. c.* 1429 Alice da. of Thomas, lord Camoys (*d.* 1421), and she survived him. His s. William, lord Hastings (1431–83), was the Lord Chamberlain murdered by Richard III. His second s. Sir Richard was sumnd. as Lord Welles, 1483. His third s. Sir Ralph was M.P. (see below).

He was in the retinue of the Earl of March at Agincourt; attorney in Ireland for William, lord Botreaux, in 1424; pardoned, 3 July 1437, as “of Keërby, esq., bro. and h. of Sir Richard Hastings, late knt.” (m.12), and kntd. soon after. Presumably he was generally in France serving under the Duke of York till 1448,³ when he was exempted from all office against his will, Nov. 1448. J.P. Leics., 23 June 1448 till death, and on Leics. comms. 1449, 1451, 1455; elector, Leics., 1449 (2), 1453; sheriff, Warw. and Leics., 1453–4. He was summoned for Leics. to the Great Council, 16 Apr. 1455,⁴ and elected in June 1455.

D. 21 Oct. 1455, during the recess, when William, aged 24, was his s. and h. Lands—Yorks., Leics.

HASTINGS, Sir RALPH (1440–95); of Harrowden, N’hants., and of Wanstead, Essex. Sq. and knt. of the Body 1461–95; captain of Guisnes 1474–83, 1484–5; keeper of the lions 1461–3; constable of Northampton 1463–74.

M.P. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 1472–5.

Third s. of Sir Leonard Hastings of Kirby, Leics., M.P. (1396–1455) by Alice (Camoys), and yr. bro. of William, lord Hastings, the King’s Chamberlain (1431–83). *M.* by 1463 Amy, presumably a Vaux of Harrowden, N’hants.⁵

He was pardoned with his bros., being presumably Yorkist, 23 Feb. 1460; jointly with Sir William made constable of Rockingham, 11 May 1461; keeper of the lions in the Tower, with 12*d.* a day wage, 30 June 1461; Sq. of the Body with 50 marks a year wage as from 2 Apr. 1461. These grants were exempted by the 1461–2⁶ and future Parlt., indeed by 1464 he was exempted also as constable of Northampton castle and keeper of Brigstock park.⁷ He had married Amy, and came into N’hants., being granted Harrowden forfeited by Sir William Vaux, 1 May 1462; and made J.P. N’hants., 1 Mar. 1463 to Nov. 1470; sheriff, N’hants., 1466–7; contr. of customs, Lynn, 4 Jan. 1470. Both the Hastings bros. went into

¹ To be bur. where he dies. Mentions das. Katherine, Elizabeth and Margaret, s. and h. John, who is to marry a da. and h. of Sir Ralph Bapthorpe. Mentions sons Charles, Robert, George and his da. Isabel Hothom. A buck yearly to William Eland (*q.v.*) for the good council in law he has given him. Exors. :—Sir Guy Fairfax, wife Anne, John Dawnay, John Hothom, and Thomas Middleton. Supervisor, Sir Thomas Burgh (*q.v.*) (*Surtees Soc.*).

² He was aged 40 and more at his brother’s death, Sept. 1436 (*Inq. p.m., c.* 139. 83. 58).

³ *Geneal. N.S.* xxi. 71.

⁴ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 341.

⁵ In all the exemptions from resumption of Harrowden his wife Amy appears as a party (*Rot. Parl.* v. 516; v. 598; vi. 81).

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* v. 475.

⁷ *ibid.* v. 533.

exile with Edward IV and returned with him to Barnet field and Tewkesbury where Ralph was kntd., 5 May 1471. Sheriff again 11 Apr. to 9 Nov. 1471; made knt. of the Body and knt. of the Shire, and restored to the bench; granted the custody of lands of James Butler, earl of Wilts., Mar. 1475. But from 1474¹ he was lieut. and capt. of Guisnes.

After his brother's murder Sir Ralph was ordered to surrender the lieutenancy of Guisnes to Lord Mountjoy, 28 June 1483;² yet Richard III soon acquired his services, pardoned him, 18 Aug. 1483,³ and he was made knt. of the Body to his brother's murderer and Capt. of Guisnes, 4 Mar. 1484.⁴ With the arrival of the Tudors he lost constablenesship and stewardships and his captaincy of Guisnes—retained £10 a year pension, his office of knt. of the Body, and apparently Harrowden—at least for a time. He was not exempted from resumption in 1485, but he was pardoned, 14 Feb. 1486.⁵ He narrowly escaped the fatal charge of treachery with Warbeck in 1489,⁶ and *d.* 1495. Will of Ralph Hastings of Wanstead, Essex, knt., dat. 17 Sept., pr. 1 Dec. 1495. To be bur. St. Bridget's, Syon, Mdsx.; or failing that at Barking. Bequest to Amy his da. for her marriage £200; to Anne Longefelde, da. of Sir John Longefelde "my litill prymer". To his bro. Sir Richard Hastings, lord Willoughby, his best horse. Amy his wife residuary legatee and exix. Brother Richard supervisor.⁷

HATCH (HACCHE), JOHN (1415-76); of Woolleigh in Beaford.
M.P. DEVONSHIRE 1449-50.

S. of Robert Hatch, and possibly descended from Robert Hatch, M.P. Barnstaple and Torrington 1351-69; *m.* Elizabeth, da. of William Berwyn of Fulford in Crediton, and had John⁸ (*d.* 1476), William and another John.

A Devon elector 1447, 1453; never sheriff nor J.P. *D.* 4 Dec. 1476, when Thomas aged 3, son of John his son, was g.s. and h.⁹ Elizabeth his widow and exix. survived him and was *unm.* in 1480.¹⁰

¹ The *Paston Letters* refer to him as defending Guisnes (iii. 108).

² Ramsay, *York and Lancaster*, ii. 495.

³ —of Harrowden, knt. or sq. of the Body to Edward IV, *alias* lieut. of Guisnes (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1483, 365). ⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 385.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1486, as of London, knt., *alias* of Harrowden, *alias* late knt. of Body to Edward IV, *alias* late Lieut. of Guisnes, *alias* late keeper of the lions, *alias* one of our Knts. of the Body (m.7).

⁶ "William Lounde, chaplain to Warbeck, had been chaplain and steward of the household to Sir Ralph Hastings 'from whom full falsely and traitorously the said preest with certain money and jewels to a good substance stole away from the said Sir Ralph, and so departed over the sea to the said Perkyn' (Kingsford, *Chron. of London*, 218). But this misfortune cannot have endeared him to the new dynasty." ⁷ P.C.C., 27 Vox.

⁸ Perhaps he is the John Hatch, one of the King's Trumpeters, to whom a pension of 10 marks yearly out of the issues of Devon was granted, Oct. 1467.

⁹ The inquests *post mortem* on John Hatch senior and his s. John Hatch junior are almost illegible; but it would seem that the senior *d.* 4 Dec. 1476, and was predeceased by his s. on 25 Nov. 1476, when Thomas, aged 3 years, was the latter's s. and h. Four years later the three year old Thomas seems to have been aged 11. John Hatch junior held land at Wollegh, Alfercote and Crediton in Devon.

¹⁰ In 1481/5 Elizabeth, exix. and late wife of John Hatch, and William and John sons and exors. of John Hatch, sued John Dennis of Orleigh (*q.v.*), who had had custody in 1480 of the lands and heir of John Hatch the elder and younger during the minority of Thomas, infant s. and h. of John Hatch the younger (*Early Chan. Proc.* 59/99) (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1480, 225).

HATFIELD, RICHARD (1450-90); of Adbeer, Som., esq. M.P. Dorchester 1478.

He cannot be Richard Hatfield, the serjeant of the avenary (Oct. 1460),¹ who was dead and his eldest son Edward still a minor in 1470.

Richard Hatfield of Adbeer, esq., was a mainpernor for John Walrond for the keeping of land in East Purbeck, Nov. 1471.² In 1482 he sued, with Christine his wife, for lands at Adbeer.³ He was pardoned, 10 Nov. 1484, as "of Cranborne, Dorset, *alias* of Adbeer, Som., esq., late of London, late of Calais." On comms. of array in Dorset in May and Dec. 1484, and on 16 Feb. 1485 he was granted a pension of 20 marks a year out of Cranborne.

HATFIELD, STEPHEN (1425-92); of Stourton, Wilts., and of Holderness, Yorks. Servant of the lords Stourton. M.P. Shaftesbury 1455-6.

S. and h. of Stephen Hatfield M.P. (1395-1461)⁴ who held lands in Hants and Dorset, by Isabel, widow of John Drayton of Burghfield, Berks.,⁵ and da. and coh. of Sir Maurice Russell of Kingston-Russell, Dorset.⁶ Stephen Hatfield "of Stourton, Wilts.", and Thomas Hardgill (*q.v.*) went mainprize for Reginald Stourton knt., William Twynyho and Roger Mayne for keeping of the forest of Groveley, 1 May 1455.⁷ This is surely the Shaftesbury M.P. of 1455, and will be the son rather than the father. A Richard Hatfield, perhaps a younger bro., was serjeant of the avenary of the Household in 1460; and Robert Hatfield, whose will was pr. at York in 1451/2, refers to his bro. Stephen.⁸ Our Stephen died in 1492 described as "of Holderness" leaving a son Stephen. His widow Elizabeth died as of Hedon, Yorks., in 1509.⁸

HATTE, JOHN. M.P. Launceston 1442.

Nothing known. Possibly both Notte and Hatte were faked names of non-existent persons, no one being anxious to journey up from Launceston.

HATTER, WILLIAM. M.P. Derby boro' 1460-1.

From 1450 to 1458 there was a William Hatter, citizen and mercer of London; but the name is as common as Capper, and he may well be a local burgess of Derby.

HAUGHTON, ROGER, see HALTON.

HAUGHTON, ROGER; of Beckbury, Salop. M.P. Bridgnorth 1459.

S. of Roger Haughton of Sweeney by Brosely; *m.* Margaret Woolrich from Dudmaston; son Richard?, afterwards constable of Bridgnorth.⁹

HAUTE, RICHARD (1430-83); of Ightham, Kent, and Danbury, Essex, esq.; Lieut. of the Tower 1471-3; of the Household of the Prince of Wales 1473-83. M.P. ESSEX 1472-5.

¹ Issue Roll, Mich. 39 Hen. VI, No. 820.

² Fine Roll, 11 Edw. IV (m.7).

³ *Geneal. N.S.* xix. 23; xx. 154. ⁴ *Excerpta Biconyllea*, p. 42. ⁵ *V.C.H. Berks.* iii. 400.

⁶ Scott Thompson, *Two centuries*, 327.

⁷ Fine Roll, 33 Hen. VI, m.6.

⁸ *Test. Ebor.* v. p. 1.

⁹ H. T. Weyman, *M.P.s for Bridgnorth*, p. 38.

Yr. s. of William Haute of Bishopsbourne, Kent, M.P. (1400-62) by Jane (Wydevile), aunt of Queen Elizabeth; *m.* Elizabeth, widow of Sir Robert Darcy (*q.v.*).¹

One of the collectors of customs and subsidy for Sandwich, June 1469.² Lieut. of the Tower, 29 May 1471;³ John Kyriell, Haute and ðrs. were apptd. to command forces to be sent to sea, 1472; in Feb. 1473 he was apptd. one of the counsellors of the Prince of Wales; J.P. Essex, 14 July 1472 to 20 Feb. 1480; on Essex comns., 1472-8; M.P. 1472-5; sheriff, Essex and Herts., 1474-5. In Nov. 1475 he conducted Margaret of Anjou from London to Sandwich on her way to freedom in France;⁴ apptd. Justice in Eyre in the Queen's forests, July 1477; sheriff, Kent, 1477-8; J.P. Kent, 12 Sept. 1479 to 18 Nov. 1481; Justice of sewers, Kent, also. A comnr. of *o. & t.* in Heref., 18 Mar. 1483. Hereford is near Ludlow; certainly Rivers, Vaughan and Haute were with the Prince at Ludlow in Apr. 1483, when the King died. They conducted the Prince towards London, were intercepted by Gloucester at Stoney Stratford, were arrested and sent to Pomfret, where they were beheaded, 13 June 1483, under the direction of Ratcliff. In his will, made after his sentence, Rivers makes Haute one of his exors., and says that he has all his evidences⁵—they were first cousins. Haute may have had no chance to make a will.

Haute's son Richard (*q.v.*) "late of Ightham", rose in Kent in Oct., escaped, but was attainted;⁶ died 1487. His wife Dame Elizabeth survived them both and was pardoned, 1488.⁷

HAUTE, RICHARD (1455-87); of Ightham, Kent, esq. Constable of Swansea 1481-3. M.P. Canterbury 1478.

This might be Master Richard son of Sir William, kntd. 1482 (*d.* 1492), at Dover, buried at Canterbury. But more likely:—

S. and h. of Richard Haute of Ightham esq., M.P. (1430-83) by Elizabeth (Darcy) of Danbury, Essex; *m.* by 1474 Eleanor, da. of Sir Robert Roos of Ravensthorpe, Yorks.,⁸ and had Edward (*b.* 1475), and named after the Prince.

It was this Richard Haute who was "the best runner in hosting harness" at the Court sports which followed the marriage of the Duke of York, Jan. 1477. His father was sheriff of Kent 1477-8, and probably the cause of his son's return for Canterbury to the 1478 Parlt. He was made steward of Gower and constable of Swansea, 10 Nov. 1481. His father was beheaded 13 June 1483, and he himself rose in Buckingham's rebellion in Kent. His lands were seized 18 Oct. 1483, and

¹ Robert Harleston (*q.v.*) and Alice his wife, late wife of John Barners, sued Richard Haute and Dame Elizabeth his wife, exix. and late wife of Robert Darcy, kn., for refusing to sue John Warner and John Worthy, co-obligers with John Barners, in a bond to secure a settlement on the said Alice, 1465/70 or 1480/3 (*Early Chan. Proc.* 31/69).

² Issue Roll, 9 Edw. IV, No. 842.

³ *ibid.*, 11 Edw. IV, No. 844.

⁴ Devon, *Issues*, 498; Scofield. *Edw. IV*, ii. 158.

⁵ *Excerpta Hist.* 248.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 245.

⁷ Pardon Roll, 30 Jan. 1488, Elizabeth Darcy widow, *alias* Elizabeth Haute late wife of Richard Haute late sheriff of Essex and Herts., *alias* Elizabeth exix. of will of Richard Haute "indigen" esq., late justice of sewers in Kent for Edw. IV (m.25).

⁸ Ravensthorpe near York, forfeited by Thomas, lord Roos, was granted for life to Richard Haute junior esq. and Elizabeth his wife, da. of Sir Robert Roos (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1474, 460).

he was attainted.¹ He saved his life, but was bound in 700 marks to William Catesby.² When Henry VII came the attainder was reversed,³ and he was made J.P. Kent, and put on gaol delivery at Canterbury.

D. 8 Apr. 1487, when Edward, aged 11, was his s. and h. in Ightham.⁴

HAUTE (HAWTE), WILLIAM (1400-62); of Bishopsbourne. M.P. KENT 1429-30, 1432, 1450-1. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Sir William Haute of the same, M.P. Kent, 1419; *m.* by 1429 Jane da. of Sir Richard Wydevill and sis. of Earl Rivers (beheaded 1469); *i.e.* aunt to Queen Elizabeth Wydevill. Their son Sir Richard Hawte M.P. and son-in-law Sir John Fogge M.P. were, therefore, first cousins to the Queen.

J.P. Kent, 20 July 1424 to 13 July 1453; on many Kentish comms. down to Dec. 1457, but not the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459. He took out a pardon for the Cade affair and sat in Parliament immediately after, no doubt in the Yorkist interest. Pardoned, 1446, 1455, 1458, always "of Bishopsbourne, Kent, esq." Kyriell, Haute, Scott; Horne and Fogge (*qq.v.*) were all commissioned to defend Kent in Jan. 1460, and all joined the invading Earls in June. He was summoned to raise forces to resist Queen Margaret and the Army of the North in Jan. 1461,⁵ but was surely too old for any active part.

D. at Bishopsbourne in 1462 and was buried in the White Friars at Canterbury. Among his other benefactions he gave as a pedestal for the Virgin at Bishopsbourne a piece of stone on which the Archangel Gabriel had trod!

HAVELL, STEPHEN (1435-1501); of Oxford. M.P. Oxford boro' 1469, 1472-5.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Havill, brewer of Oxford in 1458.

Bailiff of Oxford in 1468 and 1469.⁶ On 9 Oct. 1469, before mayor John Dobbus, Stephen Havell and John Alleyns were elected, presumably to the 1469 Parlt.⁷ He was an Oxford county elector 1472, when elected for the borough, and on the mayor's council 1474.⁸ Alderman 1497 probably till death.⁶

D. 1501; will, dat. 19 Jan., pr. 3 May 1501. To be bur. in the par. ch. of Mary Mawdleyne without the north gate, next to the pulpit where his father and mother are buried. Bequests to son George, to Richard Bryan; to wife Jane lands and tenements in Oxford and suburbs, in Wheatley and Milton, Oxon., with reversion to son George. Residue to wife, and she exix. Supervisors:—Master Thomas Key, son George, and Richard Gibbys.⁹

HAWKES, JOHN (1435-99); of Bristol, merchant. M.P. Bristol 1478.

Bailiff of Bristol 1458;¹⁰ elector, 1460; engaged in shipping wine from Bordeaux to Bristol; sheriff 1463-4; exor. of the will of Richard Hatter, merchant of Bristol,

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 245.

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 471.

³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 273.

⁴ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 373. See also *Arch. Cant.* v. 121; xxi. 220; xxiv. 197; xxxi. 41; xxxvii. 108, 120.

⁵ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 307.

⁷ *Munimenta Civ. Oxonie*, 229.

⁹ P.C.C., 20 Moone.

⁶ *Ex inf.* Dr. Salter.

⁸ *ibid.* 232.

¹⁰ Williams, *Glos. M.P.s*, 104.

1469; mayor 1471-2, and pardoned while mayor, 30 Jan. 1472; admtd. as mayor of the staple at Bristol, 23 Jan. 1493; constable of the staple continuously from 23 Sept. 1495 till death. On all Bristol gaol delivery comns. 1486 till death; on admiralty comns. there also, 1495, 1498; subsidy comnr., apptd. in Parlt. 1496.¹

D., to judge from his appointments and comns., 1499/1500.

HAWTE see HAUTE.

HAWTHORNE, NICHOLAS.

M.P. Weymouth 1491-2.

Undiscovered.

HAXEY (AXING), JOHN.

M.P. Grimsby 1487.

Axing is an impossible name, but Haxey is in Lincs., and John Haxey was a Lincs. elector in 1453. Therefore probably "of Grimsby" though there is no trace of him in the local histories.

HAYDOCK, THOMAS (1395-1452); steward of Odiham 1437-52; lawyer. M.P. HAMPSHIRE 1442.

M. Jane, who survived him; for, about 1465, one Thomas Brown sued Jane exix. and late wife of Thomas Haydock for the marriage portion of Agnes, da. of Thomas Haydock and wife of Brown.²

J.P. Hants., of the quorum, Apr. 1431 till death; elector, Hants, 1432, 1433, 1435, 1437; arbitrator concerning the lands of Durford abbey, Sussex, 2 July 1431;³ on many comns. in Hants, 1432 to 1449; a feoffee of John Feriby, Mar. 1433; apptd. steward of Odiham castle, July 1437;⁴ exor. of the will of John Fromond, 1445; elector, Hants, 1449, Nov. 1450.

D. just before 7 Sept. 1452, when the stewardship of Odiham, void by the death of Thomas Haydock, was granted to John Grenefeld.

HAYMAN (HAYNGHEN), *alias* HAYNE, WALTER (1405-59); of Barnstaple. M.P. Barnstaple 1447.

Walter Hayne, aged 30, was a witness at Pilton in Barnstaple in 1435.⁵ Walter Hayman was mayor of Barnstaple in 1445, and Walter Hayne was mayor in 1447.⁶ It seems probable that all these refer to the same man. In 1450 Walter Hayne was a feoffee of land in Barnstaple. In Dec. 1459 prayers were to be said in St. Anne's chapel there for the souls of Sir Thomas Beaumont and wife and son, for John Holman the rector, and for Walter Hayne and Jane his wife. He was certainly dead in 1461, when land is granted to the brethren in Pilton for which they are to pray for the souls of the late Walter Hayne, Jane his wife, their sons and daughters, and their parents.⁷

HAYNE see HAYMAN and HAYNES.

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 518.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 33/243.

³ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 122.

⁴ About this time he sued John Norman, draper, for the detention of deeds concerning his lands in Hants (*Early Chan. Proc.* 10/262).

⁵ G. Oliver, *Ecclesiastical Antiquities of Devon*, iii. 33.

⁶ Gribble, *Memorials of Barnstaple*, pp. 199, 200.

⁷ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

HAYNES (HEYNES), DEGORY (1445-1500); of Coventry. Yeoman of the Crown 1478-1500. M.P. Warwick boro' 1478.

Probably s. of Degory Heynes, goldsmith of Coventry 1460-7.

On the dissolution of the 1478 Parliament he was made bailiff of Warwick, 6 Apr. 1478, and called yeoman of the Crown. He was granted Wedgnoek park during the minority of Clarence's heir, Feb. 1479; a leaseholder of the free chapel of Wedgnoek, 1475/85.¹ Henry VII retained him as yeoman of the Crown, exempted his bailiwy of Warwick from resumption² and made him bailiff of Snitterfield, Warw., also.³ In Feb. 1492 he was one of those commissioned to find horses and transport the King's ordnance in the Midlands.⁴

HAYNES, JOHN (1395-1450); of Bath, clothmaker. M.P. Bath 1423, 1427, 1437, 1442.

He had a house opposite the Cross in Jan. 1422; was cofferer, Feb. 1433; pardoned 12 July 1437:—John Haynes of Bath, weaver, chapman, clothmaker, bailly (m.8).

He is not the John Haynes, citizen and draper of London 1441 to 1470, nor the John Haynes, M.P. for Wycombe in 1449 (1).

HAYNES (HEYNES), JOHN. M.P. Wycombe 1449 (1).

There was a John Haynes who was M.P. for Bath 1423-42; but this John Haynes was a Berkshire man. In 1450/4 Richard Quartermaine esq. sued John Haynes, feoffee for uses, for land in Appleton, Botley and Tackney, Berks. and Oxon.⁵

HAYNES (HAYNE), RICHARD (1420-80); of Salisbury and of Newton-Westgate, Wilts. Clerk of Clarendon 1445-51; Constable of Salisbury 1466-74; customer of Poole 1467-71. M.P. Salisbury 1445-6; Heytesbury 1455-6; Salisbury 1459; Poole 1467-8.

Apptd. Clerk of the Works at Clarendon, Wilts., Sept. 1445, while M.P., and he accounts for the office 1445-51;⁶ a surety for the M.P.s for Salisbury and Old Sarum M.P.s 1447; surrendered the Clarendon grant, Dec. 1451; comsnd., with the mayor of Salisbury, to arrest Simon Melbourne esq. and bring him before the Council, Jan. 1461; made constable of Salisbury castle, Mar. 1466; collector of customs and subsidy in Poole and Weymouth, and for this reason, perhaps, returned to Parlt. for Poole, Jan. 1467; pardoned, 5 May 1470, as of Newton-Westgate, Wilts., *alias* constable of Old Sarum Castle (m.6); elsewhere he is called "of Overwear, Wilts."⁷ He was still constable or keeper of Salisbury gaol when pardoned, 23 Jan. 1471,⁸ and 10 May 1472; but he surrendered the office, Feb. 1474. He was one of those who founded a chantry at Tetbury, Glos., Feb. 1480.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 57/148.

³ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 190.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 19/416.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/453.

⁸ As of Salisbury esq., *alias* Constable of Salisbury, *alias* late Customer of Poole, *alias* Keeper of Salisbury gaol.

² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 344.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1492), 394.

⁶ *Exchq. Accts.* 460/10; *Enr. Accts.* F.37 H. VI. H.

HAYNES, RICHARD (1450-1505); of Colchester. M.P. Colchester 1487, 1491-2.

M. Alice, widow of Roger Purpit, by 1485.¹

Bailiff of Colchester 1488, 1494-5, 1496.² He was paid 2s. a day for 67 days in connection with the 1491-2 Parlt.³ Apptd. by Parlt. as comnr. to appt. collrs. of subsidy for Colchester 1496.⁴

HAYNES (HAYNDS), ROGER (1460-1519); of Huntingdon. M.P. Huntingdon boro' 1495.

There is a brass in Huntingdon church to Roger Heyns, burgess, and wife Elen; inscribed *d.* 25 Jan. 1518 (*i.e.* 1519).⁵

HAYNES (HEYNES) *alias* STANBURGH, WILLIAM (1430-94); ald. of Bath, and of Swindon, Wilts. M.P. Bath 1460-1,⁶ 1472-5.

S. of Roger Stanburgh *alias* Haynes, M.P. Bath 1447, by Alice.

Eschr., Hants and Wilts., 1449-50. Pardoned, 7 Feb. 1459, "William Haynes of Woodstock, occupier of forest of Wichwood, *alias* late eschr. of Hants and Wilts., *alias* of Co. Oxon., gent.";⁷ returned for Bath as "Stanburgh" 1460; pardoned, as Haynes of Sudeley, Glos., 28 Feb. 1462 (m.36); sued by William Bishop of Bristol for a messuage in Temple st. and St. Thomas st., Bristol, 1465;⁸ pardoned, 1468.⁹ Mayor of Bath 1467-8, 1474-5; alderman by 1492. In May 1488 the corpn. leased a garden in Brade st. to Wm. Haynes, Edith his w. and Jane their da. and h.¹⁰

D. 1494; will of William Stanburgh, *alias* Haynes, dat. 20 Sept., pr. 30 Nov. 1494. To be bur. in St. Mary's, Bath. Residue to John Tynte and Jane his wife, and my daughter, and they exors.¹¹

HAYNGHEN see HAYMAN.

HAYROSE (HEYROWE, HAYROFE), WILLIAM (1425-85); of Northampton, sadler. M.P. Northampton boro' 1455-6.

Bailiff of Northampton 1453-4 (Heyrow). In 1462 the Ordinance made for the weavers is sealed by William Hayrose, mayor, though no such mayor occurs in the list of mayors.¹² Yet in 1479 William Heyrose, mayor of Northampton, was one of those appointed to deliver Northampton gaol.¹³

HEATON (HETON), JOHN (1415-69); of Newton-Blossomville esq. Steward for Anne, duchess of Buckingham, 1460-9. M.P. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 1449 (1), 1450-1.

Eschr., N'hants. and Rutland, 1439-40, and of Warw. and Leics., 1455-6; J.P. Bucks., 9 Oct. 1456 till July 1469; sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1458-60. Receiver for Lord Grey of Wilton 1448; receiver-genl. of Anne, duchess of Buckingham, in 1468. *D.* 1469. Will, dat. 4 Jan., pr. 1 Feb. 1469. To be bur. at discretion of

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 67/20.

² Rickword, *List of Mayors*, etc.

³ Gurney-Benham, *Colchester Red Paper Book*.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 517.

⁵ *Monumental Brass Soc. Trans.* iii. 145.

⁶ Called Stanburgh on the return.

⁷ Pardon Rolls, 1459 (m.34).

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/60.

⁹ Pardon Roll, 1468, as of Swindon, Wilts., gent., *alias* of Sherston, Wilts. (m.31).

¹⁰ *Bath Ancient Deeds*, pp. 39, 40, 66, 67, 106, 108, 126.

¹¹ P.C.C., 16 Vox.

¹² *Northampton Boro. Rec.* i. 299; ii. 558.

¹³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1479), p. 146.

his exors. Bequests to church of Newenton-Blosmavile, Bucks., where he sometime dwelt. Exors. :—Richard Heton his bro., William his son, John Chapman of Weston, Bucks., and John Dixson of Kymbolton.¹ Residue to son William.²

HEATON (ETON), WILLIAM (1395-1457/9); of Oakham, Rutland, esq.³
M.P. RUTLAND 1442.

J.P. Leics., 20 July 1424 to 24 Nov. 1457; a feoffee with Lord Roos and Taylboys, 1431;⁴ eschr., Notts. and Derbys., 1438-9; on Leics. comms. 1439 and 1452; sheriff of Rutland 1451-2. In June 1463 he is spoken of as a deceased feoffee of Lord Roos.

D., therefore, 1457/63.⁵

HEDGE (HOGGE),⁶ WILLIAM (1410-51); of Northampton. M.P.
Northampton boro' 1450-1.

On Sunday, 9 May 1451, about the 8th hour after twelve, William Hedge and Thomas Osbatley, tailor of Northampton, sat within the dwelling of John Brown of Northampton, baker, with others, drinking and singing by turns, and there came William Cook of Northampton, weaver, and made assault on Osbatley touching his singing, whereon abusive words passing between them, Cook and Osbatley *alias* Botteley assaulted each the other, and William Cook struck Osbatley with a pykfork on the head, and Thomas drew a sword called a custrell and would have struck Cook, but William Hedge intervened and was struck by Cook with the pykfork under the right ear and by Thomas with the custrell in the belly on the left side under the navel, making a wound 9 inches deep, and Hedge lay sick till the 4th hour at dawn of Monday and then expired.⁷

So died the pacifist Member for Northampton. But one may suppose that he had a son-in-law or partner in the liquor trade; for in July 1453 William Etherton, *alias* Hedge, vintner of Northampton, was exempted from office, and in Feb. 1454 William Hedge of Northampton is to be arrested and brought before Chancery.

HELPERBY, WILLIAM (1410-73); of Scarborough, merchant of Hull.
M.P. Scarborough 1447.

He was a pledge for a Scarborough M.P. in 1449 (1); pardoned, as s. of Jane Helperby of Scarborough, for his outlawry in Hull for not satisfying debts against him, Nov. 1453; and again as merchant of Hull, late of York, 9 Feb. 1456. In 1460/5 Helperby sued Jane Kyghley, widow, for lands in Afferton, Yorks.⁸ He may have advanced money to the Yorkists, for in Feb. 1462 he was granted the keeping of the lands and h. of William Paulyn, and given a £4 pension from the forest of Galtress, Yorks.; and in Sept. 1462 a grant of £7 15s. yearly (increased to £10 15s. in 1465) from the fee farm of Scarborough.

¹ Kimbolton was the castle of the Duke of Buckingham. ² P.C.C., 26 Godyn.

³ As described on the 1442 Return. ⁴ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 110.

⁵ The Pardon Roll of 20 Jan. 1459 includes John Heton of Howys, Leics., esq., manucaptor for William Heton as custodian of the lands of Margaret, lady Roos, in Notts. (m.40). This would seem to show that he was dead by 1459.

⁶ Called Hogge in the Northampton Records.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1451), 465.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/219.

D. 10 Dec. 1473, holding the manor of Killerby of Henry Percy, earl of Northumberland, for one-twentieth of a knight's fee; a messuage in Middleton, and two in Goodmanham; Thomas, aged 40, was his s. and h. The will of this son, Thomas Helperby, gent., was pr. at York in 1480. A William Helperby was abbot of Byland, Yorks., 1432.¹

HENDLOW (HENDLOVE), WILLIAM (1420-80); of Devizes. M.P. Devizes 1449-50, 1450-1.

Possibly s. of William Hendlove M.P. Devizes 1419. In 1432/72 Robert Floure sued William Hendlove and John Dekers of Devizes, feoffees to uses, for lands in Inmarsh and Devizes.² He was a feoffee in Devizes 1461; a witness there 1467; witnessed John Coventry's endowment of a Devizes chantry in 1475.³ A John Hendlow of Bristol sued in Chancery in 1482.

HENEAGE, JOHN⁴ (1452-1530); of Hainton, Lincs.; lawyer. M.P. Grimsby 1497.

S. of John Heneage of same by Eleanor da. and h. of John Preston of Reston, Lincs.; m. Katherine da. of Thomas Wymbish of Nocton, Lincs., and had John, Robert and Sir Thomas Heneage, kpr. of the privy purse to Henry VIII.⁵

With Sir Reynold Bray he founded a chantry at Gainsborough, 1499;⁶ J.P. Lindsey, of the quorum, 18 Feb. 1495 till death; on comns., Lindsey, from the array of Apr. 1496 to the subsidy comn. of Aug. 1524. He had licence to alienate the manor of Middleton, Sussex, 1503;⁷ on the comn. concerned with the riots at the election of the knts. of the shire for Lincs., 5 Jan. 1510. His £60 bond to the Crown was cancelled, Dec. 1513.⁸ From 1520 he is always called senior to distinguish him from his son, and he d. 31 May 1530. Lineal ancestor of the member for Louth.

HENSCOTE (HEYNEESCOTE), NICHOLAS (1430-93); of Plymouth. Customer. M.P. Plymouth 1487.

Perhaps related to John Henscote, elector, Devon, 1487.

Mayor of Plymouth 1473-4, 1475-6, 1476-7, 1478-9, 1482-3, 1487-8, 1490-1.⁹ Pardoned, 14 June 1476, as Henyscote, Henscote, Heynescote, late a customer and collector in Exeter and Dartmouth. D. 1 Jan. 1493; when John, aged 60, was his bro. and h.¹⁰

HENSTEAD (HENSTEDE), WILLIAM (1400-55); ald. of Norwich. M.P. Norwich 1449-50.

Sheriff of Norwich 1433; mayor 1442-3, 1447-8; J.P. Norwich, 28 Nov. 1442 (mayor) to 9 Nov. 1443; elector, Norwich, 1449 (1), 1453; alderman by Oct. 1443. He took the city's part in their quarrel with the bishop, and was mayor

¹ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1432), 225.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 11/385.

³ *Wilt. Arch. Mag.* ii. pp. 306, 307, 251.

⁴ Called "hipping Heneage from an infirmity in his gait."

⁵ *Harl. Soc.* li. 480-2.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1499), 171.

⁷ *ibid.* (1503), 309.

⁸ *L. & P. Hen. VIII.* i. p. 1115.

⁹ R. N. Worth, *Hist. of Plymouth*, p. 126.

¹⁰ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.* i. p. 325.

when the city's liberties were seized by the King, and again on 1 Dec. 1447 when they were restored.

HENSTON (HYNDESTON), WILLIAM (1405-58); of Wonwell in Kingston, Devon. Serjeant-at-law 1453-7. M.P. Exeter 1442; DEVONSHIRE 1445-6, 1447, 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1450-1.

Perhaps s. of William Henston and Margery; *m.* Elizabeth.

He was a lawyer and leading counsel for the Bishop of Exeter in his suit against the city in 1448. J.P. Devon, 26 Mar. 1443 till death; on many comns. 1444 till 1456, and in 1454 he had an indult for a portable altar; pardoned, 28 Mar. 1446 (m.3), and again in 1452, as of "Wombwell," Devon (m.14). Made a King's serjeant-at-law in 1453; sent to Northern parts with the Duke of York and Walter Moyle (*q.v.*), July 1454.¹

D. 1458; his widow *rem.* Sir Philip Courtenay (*q.v.*) *c.* 1459.² Will, dat. 1458, pr. at Lambeth 6 May 1458. To be bur. in Kingston ch.; bequests to ch. and vicar; £40 to das. Elizabeth and Jane for their marriages; £20 to Halwell ch., Devon; debts owed to him by Walter Raleigh (*q.v.*), Baldwin Fulford, Walter Brown, Avery Cornburg (*q.v.*); Elizabeth his wife and Jane her mother still living. Administration granted to widow Elizabeth.³

HERBERT, THOMAS (1430-69); of Little Troye, Heref., esq.; Squire of the Body and Constable of Gloucester 1461-9; Chanc. of Earldom of March 1467-9. M.P. GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1467-8.

Yr. bro. of William, lord Herbert, earl of Pembroke (1429-69), and called "elder, of Little Troye", having presumably *m.* an heiress of Little Troy.

Sheriff, Salop, 1450-1; pardoned, 8 Aug. 1452, "of Belyngesley, Salop, esq." (m.21); and again 14 Feb. 1456, "of Billyngesley, Salop, esq., *alias* late sheriff of Salop, *alias* of Little Troy next Monmouth" (m.6). The elder and the yr. Thomas Herbert of Little Troy were pardoned, with 20 gentlemen of Wales, 7 June 1457; and Thomas Herbert was to be arrested in Somerset, 26 June 1459. The first act of the Yorkists, 26 June 1460, was to pardon Sir William Herbert and Thomas Herbert esq. Sheriff, Salop, 1460-1. They fought at Mortimer's Cross and marched to London with Edward, who there made Sir William a baron, Thomas, squire of the Body, and himself King. In May the Squire of the Body was made constable of Gloucester with 50 marks a year out of the town, and Parlt. exempted this from resumption;⁴ in Dec. he was granted a house in Stepney. Sheriff, Som. and Dorset, 1461-2. On six comns. in Glos. and S. Wales in 1461. J.P. Glos., 1 Mar. 1462 till death; keeper of Beckford, Glos., 13 Mar. 1462; and in July 1462 and 1465 Thomas Herbert the elder, Squire of the Body, had a grant of Sir William Hull's forfeited lands, viz. Harscombe, Glos., and in Herefordshire.

In Oct. 1462 Dr. Thomas Kent, the Clerk of the Council, and Thomas Herbert (Sq. of the body, "brother of Lord Herbert") were sent to treat with the Kings of Portugal and Castile; they had 20s. a day each for expenses, and returned, 25 June 1463, without a treaty but with 76 tuns of wine, 18 of which were Herbert's

¹ Issue Rolls, Easter, 32 Hen. VI.

³ P.C.C., 12 Stokton.

² *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* v. 475, 534, 586-7.

own.¹ In 1466 St. Leger and Herbert, Squires of the Body, were granted Simon Melbourne's lands and heir—exempted 1467/8, in which Parlt. he sat. In Aug. 1467 he was made chancellor of the Earldom of March with £20 a year. In July 1468 the Lancastrian (Tudor) Earl of Pembroke landed in Wales with 50 French soldiers; failing to relieve Harlech, they burnt Denbigh, and were then defeated and dispersed by Lord Herbert's brother Thomas, and Harlech surrendered at last, 14 Aug. 1468.² In 1469 Robin of Redesdale's army came south, complaining of the "grasping favourites" Herbert, Stafford, Audley, Fogge. Their manifesto was probably drafted by Warwick and the Nevilles. They met and defeated the Herberts and Stafford at Edgcote, 26 July 1469. Sir William, earl of Pembroke, was beheaded next day, and Thomas Herbert was taken at Bristol and put to death there about 12 Aug. 1469. Five days later Stafford was taken and beheaded at Bridgwater, and King Edward was Warwick's prisoner for four months.³

Thomas Herbert was succeeded by his son Thomas who died without issue.⁴ We know of no evidence save Miss Scofield that this man was Lord Herbert's brother, and that sheriffdom of Salop in 1450 makes one doubtful even of Miss Scofield.

HERBERT, Sir WILLIAM (1429-69); K.G. (Lord Herbert of Raglan 1461; Earl of Pembroke 1468). C.J. South and North Wales. M.P. HEREFORD-SHIRE 1460-1. Sumnd. 1461-2, 1463-5, 1467-8.

S. and h. of Sir William ap Thomas of Raglan (*d.* 1448), by Gladys da. and h. of David Gam of Brecknock; *m.* Anne sister of Sir Walter Devereux (*q.v.*) who was created Lord Ferrers of Chartley 1461.

According to Shaw he was kntd. at Christmas 1449, but William Herbert of Raglan, esq., was pardoned 10 Oct. 1452; and he occurs as a squire of the Household in Nov. 1453.⁵ He was taken prisoner with Kyriell at Formigny in 1450, but was ransomed and became Yorkist. In Apr. 1457, the King and Queen were called to Hereford to suppress a disturbance caused by Sir William, but he was forgiven his treason; and his wine, which had been seized at Bristol, was restored to him.⁶ His sureties were also pardoned, Nanfan, Stafford of Grafton, Thomas and John Throckmorton (*qq.v.*) and Henry Griffith of Henford. To secure his support the Lancastrians made him sheriff of Glamorgan and constable of Usk, forfeited by the Duke of York, 5 Feb. 1460. Pardoned all treasons, 26 June 1460; elected to Parliament, Oct. 1460.

In Feb. 1461 Sir William and his bro. Sir Richard joined Edward of March; they were with him at Mortimer's Cross; and thence marched up to London: Wenlock, Devereux, Hastings, Herbert and Stafford of Southwick⁷—all were made peers. Herbert was rewarded, being made C.J. of South Wales, steward of Carmarthen and Cardigan, steward of Brecknock and the other castles in South Wales during Buckingham's minority; also of Pembroke town and castle after Scudamore had surrendered it to him, with the custody of Henry Tudor, then aged 4, whom he brought up at Pembroke, 30 Sept. 1461.⁸ Summoned to Parliament, June 1461, and sat; K.G., 29 Apr. 1462. Further forfeited lands came his way;

¹ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i, pp. 260, 279; Issue Roll, Mich. 2 Edw. IV.

² *ibid.* i. 458. ³ *ibid.* i. pp. 492-498.

⁵ Issue Roll, 32 Hen. VI, No. 795.

⁷ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 137.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1474), 454.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1457), 353.

⁸ *ibid.* i. 202.

and in 1467 he was C.J. North Wales also. He forced the surrender of Harlech castle, Aug. 1468, and was created Earl of Pembroke, chief forester of Snowdon and constable of Conway, 8 Sept. 1468.

The Earl of Warwick resented the favour enjoyed by Pembroke, Stafford and Rivers, and stimulated the rising of Robin of Redesdale. Robin and the Nevilles marched south, and defeated Stafford and the Herberts at Edgcote, 26 July 1469. Pembroke was taken prisoner and beheaded at Northampton, 28 July 1469.

He was something of a scholar, patron of arts, and a loyal friend to Edward IV. He left four legitimate and many illegitimate sons.¹

HERFORD, JOHN (1455-1510); of Huntingdon, and of London? Yeoman of the Crown? M.P. Huntingdon boro' 1491-2.

John Herford, late of London, baker, *alias* yeoman in the King's service, had letters of protn. to go with Lord Willoughby de Broke to Brittany, 27 Feb. 1489.² That same year each of the 8 yeomen of the Crown, including John Herford, were issued with a russet cloth, for the allowance of their watchings.³ There was a vintner of London in 1507 called John Herford; very likely the same man. But the M.P. was certainly on the Huntingdon gaol delivery, 1507; and a *Stephen* Herford was a Huntingdon elector in 1447; a *Robert Herforth* with son John were deforcians in Huntingdon, 1553.⁴

HERIOT (HARYOT), Sir WILLIAM (1430-85); ald. of London, draper. M.P. London 1483 (June), 1483 (Nov.), 1484.

S. of John Harriot of Segrave, Leics.; *m.* 1462/74 Jane widow of John Motte, fishmonger of London;⁵ she survived him; issue William, John, Nicholas, William, Jane.

Collr. of customs in port of London;⁶ one of Edward IV's city partners in his trading ventures;⁷ auditor of London 1465-7, 1473-5; sheriff 1468-9; alderman 1469 till death; apptd. by Common Council to supervise victualling of the fleet, 1470;⁸ pardoned, 20 Jan. 1472;⁹ elector, London, 1472; licensed to ship wool to Morocco, 9 Jan. 1477; and he shipped wool to the Mediterranean in the King's ship, *Anthony*, 1478.¹⁰ Master of Drapers Company 1478-9, 1483-4; Mayor of London 1481-2; kntd. 1482. Member of a committee to talk over the City's business in Parlt. with newly elected M.P.s Dec. 1482.¹¹ He was described on 26 Mar. 1485 as "late alderman."¹²

D. Feb. 1485; will of Sir William Heriot knt., alderman and draper of London, dat. 24 Dec. 1484, pr. 17 Mar. 1485. To be bur. in St. Dunstan's in a chapel which "I propose to make". Bequests to wife Jane; £200 each to children William the elder, John, Nicholas, William the younger, and Jane. To Segrave ch. where he was

¹ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Wm. Herbert.

² Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 417.

³ *ibid.* ii. 500. ⁴ G. J. Turner, *Hunts. Feet of Fines*, 144.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/249.

⁶ Pardon Roll, 1471/2, "of London, draper, cit. and ald., late collr. of customs in port of London."

⁷ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 413.

⁸ Jor. 7, fo. 211.

⁹ Ed., Power and Postan, *Eng. Trade in 15th cent.*, p. 45.

¹⁰ Jor. 9, fo. 12.

¹¹ Jor. 9, fo. 71; although *Letter Bk. L.*, p. 225, describes him as alderman and present at the Board of Aldermen as late as 21 Sept. 1485—probably his son William, in error, for the son was not alderman.

born; to ch. of Boony where his mother was bur.; to bro. Sir John Heriot, vicar of Boony; and to bros. John and Edward Fenkyll (*q.v.*). Exors.:—John Fenkyll and William Heriot the elder, his son.¹

HERLETON see HARLETON.

HERON (HERNE), WALTER (1430–85); of Tetbury, Glos. M.P. Cricklade 1478.

Probably s. of Thomas Heron; *m.* (1) Alice, (2) Juliana, who survived him.

As one feoffee of Stephen Fisher he sued his co-feoffee concerning a deed of enfeoffment in Tetbury, 1450;² a feoffee for Sir Maurice Berkeley of Beverstone, Glos. (*q.v.*), 1454; pardoned, with ex-Lancastrian officials, 7 Feb. 1462, as “of Tetbury, Glos., gent., *alias* of Frampton-Coterell, Glos.” (*m.* 43). In the same terms he was pardoned again, 1468. There is a bond of £40 by Richard Basset of Tetbury to Walter Herne, with seal, 4 Feb. 1466.³ He founded a chantry at Tetbury for the souls of Thomas Heron and Jane his wife, 12 Feb. 1480.⁴

D. 10 Sept. 1485, seised of 15 houses in Tetbury, held of Sir Thomas Cokesey (*q.v.*), a mess. and 40 acres in Charlton by Tetbury, a mess. and 16 acres in Upton by Gloucester; heir Thomas, aged 27.⁵ Will, dat. 8 May, pr. 29 Nov. 1485. To be bur. in Tetbury ch.; masses for souls of parents, for Alianore, late lady Maltravers, for Agnes his da., for Alice late his wife, and, in the psh. of Frampton-Cotrell, for the good estate of his wife Juliana. Residue to Edward Berkeley of Avon, Hants, Thomas Herne and Lawrence Hamond, and they exors. Overseers—Robert Poynts knt., Thomas Halford, vicar of Tetbury.⁶

HERON, (Sir) JOHN (1418–61); of Chillingham and Ford. Constable of Bamboro’ 1438–61. M.P. NORTHUMBERLAND 1442, 1447, 1449 (1). Lancastrian.

S. and h. of William Heron of Ford (*d.* 1428), by Isabel. His father was probably killed in a feud with John Manners. *M.* Elizabeth, da. of Sir William Heron of Cornhill, Nhd.

Jointly with Sir William Elmedon, he was made constable of Bamboro’ with £40 a year, 7 Feb. 1438; eschr. of Nhd. 1439–40; sheriff 1440–1, 1451–2, 1456–7; elector Nhd., 1442 and 1449 (1) (when elected); on comns. in Nhd., including the Lancastrian comns. of 1459 and 1460, from 1442 onwards.

He must have been receiver for the lands late of John, duke of Bedford, in Nhd., for he accounts for them in 1441. As a captain of men-at-arms and archers, he was retained by the Crown and ordered to go to sea, and the musters were taken of Miles Stapleton, Heron and Stephen Popham (*q.v.*), 1442;⁷ still joint constable of Bamboro’ in 1458; and made Receiver-General of the castle of Bamboro’ for which he accounts, May 1449.⁸ He was a witness of the treaty between the English and Scottish emissaries in 1449; and in Apr. 1452 became sole constable of Bamboro’ on Elmedon’s death, their joint grant having been resumed by Parlt. in Nov. 1449.⁸

¹ P.C.C., 21 Logge.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/288.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 248.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1480), 181.

⁵ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.*

⁶ P.C.C., 18 Logge.

⁷ *Exchq. Accts.* 54/3; Issue Rolls.

⁸ *Enr. Accts.* F. 33 Henry VI. L.

In May 1452 he received one of the common-form letters urging the better keeping of the truce with Scotland; and on 9 July 1455 a Yorkist letter of thanks for the defence that he and Robert Manners had put up in Berwick. The Parlt. of 1455 exempted him from resumption as concerned Bamboro' and £40 a year from Bamboro' for the defence of Berwick. Probably he was kntd. some time between July 1455 and Nov. 1456. Keeper of the truce with Scotland, 1457; sent to treat with the Scots, 1459; and on 17 July 1459 his grant of the constableness of Bamboro' was changed so as to include his son Roger—renewed May 1460. He was now Lancastrian. He fought at Wakefield, St. Albans, and Towton,¹ where he was probably killed. In May 1461 Lord Ogle was ordered to take over the castle of Ford and other lands late of Sir John Heron, deceased, and to seize Roger, his s. and h., and hold him in custody. Sir John Heron was attainted, but the attainder was reversed in the Parlt. of 1472–5 on the petition of Roger, his son.

The pardon rolls of 1455 and 1458 both show John Heron, "esq. of Crawley," as constable of Bamboro'. He cannot have been an esq. in July 1458, and the constable of Bamboro' was certainly the lord of Ford; but there were many contemporary John Herons, which makes confusion in these records.

HERT see HART.

HERTESHORN see HARTSHORN.

HERVEY (HARVEY), HUMPHREY (1455–1516); of Bristol. M.P. Wells 1483 Jan., 1485–6, 1489–90.

S. of Nicholas Hervey M.P. (1425–71) by Elizabeth (Scofield); *m.* (1) Agnes da. of John atte Water of Wells M.P., and (2) Elizabeth Hawkys, widow, who survived him.²

Witnessed a Wells deed 1480,³ but never admtd. to freedom of Wells; a feoffee for Thomas Seymour in Beckington, Som., 1489.³ J.P. Somerset, 11 July 1488 to 5 Mar. 1512; on Somerset comms. 1494 to 1505; exor. of the will of his father-in-law, John Atwater, 1500.⁴

D. 5 Mar. 1516, when Richard, aged 35, was his s. and h.; will, dat. 4 Mar., pr. 14 Apr. 1516. To be bur. in All Hallows, Bristol. Jane Champneys, widow, his sis.-in-law, John Maudeley of Nonnery, clothier, and John Mawdeley of Wells, clothier, to have the lands late of Henry Chester, late of Bristol, draper. The same exors. together with Richard his son (written by John Collys of Bristol, notary).⁵

HERVEY, JOHN (1435/40–74); of Thurleigh esq. Usher of the Chamber 1471–4. M.P. BEDFORDSHIRE 1472 till death.

S. and h. of John Hervey of the same by Jane Paston; *m.* Agnes, da. of Nicholas Morley of Glynde M.P.; she *rem.* (1) John Isley of Sandridge, Kent (*q.v.*), and (2) Sir John Paston (*q.v.*), and died 1510.⁶ Probably related to Philip Hervey,

¹ Soc. Antiq. Newcastle-on-Tyne, *Northd. M.P.s*, p. 107. ² *Hervey Dictionary*, No. 2032.

³ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 537.

⁴ P.C.C., 17 Moone.

⁵ P.C.C., 16 Holder.

⁶ So the *Hervey Dict.* No. 337; but Margaret da. and h. of Wm. Wykeham *alias* Perrott, of Broughton, Oxon., *m.* Wm., lord Saye (*d.* 1477) and (2) John Harvey (*G.E.C.*, *S.-T.*, p. 65; Fine Roll, 17 Edw. IV, m.17).

master of the Ordnance 1461-3, and J.P. Beds., and to Thomas Hervey, an elector for Beds. 1447 to 1467.

On a comn. to effect arrests, 5 Jan. 1461; other comns. in Beds. and Bucks., 11 May 1471 and 7 Mar. 1472. J.P. Beds., 12 June 1471 till death.

D. 23 Sept. 1474 when George (named after Clarence), aged six months, was s. and h.; lands—Beds. and Bucks.¹ The custody of the infant was granted to the mother Agnes, widow of John Hervey, esq., late Usher of the King's Chamber,² 11 Sept. 1475.

HERVEY, Sir (?) NICHOLAS (1425-71); of Eastbury in Godalming, Surrey. Recorder of Bristol. Lawyer. M.P. Launceston 1449 (1); Hindon 1459, 1467-8. Lancastrian.

S. of Richard Hervey, M.P. Lostwithiel, who was s. of Robert Hervey of Lostwithiel; *m.* Elizabeth, da. and coh. of John Scofield.

He lived at Eastbury, Surrey, which manor belonged to the family of Brocas, and his wife's sis. *m.* Humphrey Brocas. As these ladies, Elizabeth and Eleanor, were das. and coh. of John Scofield of Brackley near Bristol, the editor of the *Hervey Dictionary* concludes that the Members for Launceston and Hindon were identical with the Nicholas Hervey who was Recorder of Bristol and the Sir Nicholas Hervey slain at Tewkesbury.³

J.P. Surrey, of the quorum, 4 July 1458 to 24 Dec. 1460; on Surrey comns., issued by the Lancastrian party in 1459 and 1460; on a Devon comn. in 1464, and Bristol comns. in 1468 and 1469. He was sued by a priest called Henry Ward as "of Betteshanger" for falsifying deeds of lands in Northbourne, Kent, in 1453, and a Nicholas Hervey, gent., was a feoffee for lands in Hants in 1469. In Warkworth's *Chronicle* (p. 18) Sir Nicholas Hervey was killed at Tewkesbury, 4 May 1471. He may have been knighted immediately before the battle.

HESEWELL see ASHWELL.

HETON see HEATON.

HEUSTER see HEWSTER.

HEVYCHURCH see HONYCHURCH.

HEWORTH,⁴ ROBERT (1400-70); of Newcastle. M.P. Newcastle-on-Tyne 1442, 1449-50, 1453-4.

He owned property in Newcastle in 1421, and occurs in that town in 1431 and 1436; frequently a comnr. in Newcastle 1446 to 1454.

¹ Inq. *p.m.* 14 Edw. IV, 11.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1475), 559.

³ *Hervey Dictionary*, No. 2029.

⁴ There is a grant in survivorship, 4 Mar. 1466, to Robert Huet of Newcastle, and Mary, his da., of roos. annuity out of Newcastle; and 20 years later, Robert Huet being dead, the above grant is confirmed to Mary and her husband, William Wyghal. Perhaps Huet is a corruption of Heworth.

HEWSTER (HEUSTER), HUMPHREY (1415-75); of Chichester. Lawyer. M.P. Chichester 1442, 1450-1, 1460-1, (? 1470-1).

Humphrey Heustard, citizen of Chichester, founded a Guild there, 1446; an attorney, sometimes for the dean and chapter, 1450-70;¹ bailiff and elector of Chichester, 1453; a feoffee for the Lewkenors, 1456; attorney for the widow of John Hill, citizen and grocer of London, 1458; a Sussex elector 1460, when returned for Chichester; comnr. of sewers, Sussex, in 1463 and 1467; exor. of the will of the parson of St. Margaret's, Bridge St., London, 1466; founded the Okehurst chantry at Chichester, with John Goring and Thomas Best, Apr. 1467; pardoned after the Readeption, 30 Jan. 1472, as of Chichester, gent. *alias* late of London, gent., so that he may have sat in the Readeption Parlt.

HEXTALL (HEXSTALL), THOMAS (1410-86); of Dover. Servant of the Duke of Buckingham 1432-60; Keeper of Dover 1471-2. M.P. Bletchingley 1447; Dover 1472-5, 1478, 1483 (1), 1484.

Yr. s. of Hugh Hexstall of Milwich, Staffs., and bro. of William Hextall, M.P.; m. (2) Jane, widow of John Coppledike, bailiff of Winchelsea.

A feoffee with the Earl of Stafford of Islingham, Kent, 1432;² elector, Kent, 1453, when his bro. was elected; on comns., mostly in Dover, and mostly under the Duke of Buckingham, 1457-60. He was continually providing munitions, defending Sandwich, or seizing ships to keep the seas. In 1454 Rye paid 6s. 8d. for the expenses of Hextall "and the felyship that cam with hym when the thief was hanged, both on the eve and morrow." Hextall was then the servant of the Lieutenant of Dover.³ Romney paid him and John Cobb 13d. for having their friendship for the "delivery" of a prisoner, 1457.⁴ Humphrey, duke of Buckingham, was Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports 1450-60, and certainly from 1458 to 1460 Hextall accounted as his Receiver at Dover Castle. Pardoned, 4 Jan. 1455, late of Staffs., *alias* of Dover; a jurat of Dover 1457-8, 1462 and 1470; mayor 1467-70, 1471-2, 1473-5, 1477-9, 1481-2. During the Readeption, Dover paid Hextall, William Myrton and Robert Rotes for communing with the King's council.⁵ It is probable that when Dover lost its liberties after the rebellion of the bastard Fauconberg, Hextall's proper title was no longer Mayor but Keeper of Dover,⁶ and he sat for Dover in every subsequent Parlt. This loss of liberties (and perhaps of free election also) befel Sandwich, Winchelsea, Rye and Hastings, 9 July 1471. In Nov. 1471 Hextall, gent. of Dover, received a general pardon, presumably in the same connection. Pardoned again, with his wife Jane, Aug. 1472.⁷ He may have become a trader, for in Oct. 1472 he was owed £40 by John Williams of Southampton (*q.v.*).

D. 1486, when Thomas Hextall, receiver of the Duke of Buckingham, Lord

¹ Plea Rolls—*sub annis*.

² *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1432), 187.

³ *Hist. MSS. Comm.*, Rye, v. 491.

⁴ *Hist. MSS. Comm.*, Romney, v. 544.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1470), 276.

⁶ Bavington Jones, *Annals of Dover*, 13.

⁷ Of Dover, gent., late of the Cinque Ports, and Jane his wife, who was the wife of John Coppledike, late bailiff of Winchelsea, and exix. of Coppledike's will (m.20).

Warden, was buried in the Chapel of St. Nicholas at Dover.¹ Hasted's *Kent* makes his father's name Richard, but he had not the same complete evidence.²

HEXTALL, WILLIAM (1405-70); of Peckham, Kent, and Gerrard's Bromley, Staffs. Steward to the Duke of Buckingham, 1430-60; teller of the Exchq. 1456-70. M.P. Newcastle-under-Lyme 1425, 1429-30; Stafford boro' 1431, 1432; Newcastle-under-Lyme 1435; Stafford boro' 1437; Bletchingley 1449 (1); KENT 1453-4. Lancastrian.

S. of Hugh Hextall of Milwich, Staffs.; *m.* (1) by 1422, Margaret, *b.* 1412, a da. of William and sis. and h. of John Bromley, who held one-third of Ashley and died 1427.³ He had two das.; one, Jane, married Sir John Bromley of Baddington, Cheshire, the second, Margaret, certainly *m.* Richard Petit, of Badger, Salop; she must also have married, later, William s. of William Whetenhale, alderman of London.⁴

By 1422 William Hextall, of Hextall near Ronton, Staffs., gent., held one-third of Ashley, Staffs., in right of his wife;⁵ and he was sued by the same name in 1438.⁶ With William Lee he was bound in £40 to Thomas Moston, 1432; a witness in Kent to a Stafford deed, 9 July 1432; a witness at Ellenhall, Staffs., 1433;⁷ sub-sheriff, Staffs., 1431-2; sworn to the peace in Staffs., 1434; eschr., Staffs., 1435-6; and eschr., Kent, 1455-7; elected for Bletchingley, the Earl of Stafford's boro', Jan. 1449. Hextall took out a pardon for Cade's affair in July 1450, and was an elector in Kent in 1450; pardoned 1452 as "of Estpecham, Kent, esq. *alias* of Bramley, Staffs., *alias* late of Hexstall" (m.9). His brothers Thomas and Henry Hextall, also from Staffordshire, were also Kent electors in 1453, when William was elected. He was on many comns. in Kent, often with the Duke of Buckingham, 1450 to May 1460; in June 1454 Buckingham, Bouchier, Hextall and others were made keepers of the temporalities of the archbishopric of Canterbury;⁸ in Apr. 1455 Hextall was summoned to the Great Council for Kent. J.P. Kent, 27 Nov. 1455 to 2 Dec. 1458. He was one of the four Tellers of the Exchq. by 1456;⁹ pardoned Jan. 1458, as of East Peckham, *alias* of Hexstall (m.29); a feoffee for the Duke of Buckingham in the Kimbolton castle settlement this year; a comnr. of array for Kent, Dec. 1459, and for the first half of 1460.

¹ Statham, *History of Dover*, pp. 178, 237.

² The will of Henry Hextall of Bletchingley, who died without male issue in 1492, pr. in P.C.C. (23 Dogett), mentions Edward Hextall, his bro. Thomas's son, to whom he leaves all his lands and tenements in Walsall, which he had held jointly with his late bro., Thomas Hextall, decd. This definitely connects the Hextalls with Staffs., so does the Pardon Roll of 4 Jan. 1458 above quoted; and William Hextall, who sat for both Stafford and Bletchingley, was certainly lord of one-third of Ashley, Staffs., in right of his wife. The difficult point is that, according to Erdeswick, the father of William and Thomas was Hugh Hextall of Milwich, and according to Hasted's *Kent* the father was Richard Hextall who md. a da. of Grovehurst of Kent. The name Hextall itself obviously comes from Staffs. It is a hamlet in Seighford. The Hextalls came to Bletchingley, Peckham and Dover as servants of the Stafford House.

³ Inq. *p.m.*, 7 Hen. VI, C.139. 37. 2.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/286; R. R. Sharp, *Calender of Wills in London*, ii. 531.

⁵ *Feudal Aids*.

⁶ *Staffs. Colls.*, iii. N.S. 145.

⁷ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1432), 186-7, 241.

⁸ In 1454 Richard Brown (*q.v.*) sued John Colville and John Parker of London, exors. of the will of William Whetenhale, grocer of London, for money promised for procuring the marriage of Whetenhale's son with Margaret, da. of William Hextall (*Early Chan. Proc.* 26/286).

⁹ Exchq. Accts., Wardrobe, 34-35 Henry VI.

During all these years Humphrey Stafford, Earl of Stafford and Duke of Buckingham, was Warden of the Cinque Ports.

In May 1460, Kyriell, Cheyne, Fogge, Horne and Hextall were ordered to muster at Sandwich with the Duke of Exeter for the defence of that place against the Yorkists at Calais. They failed, and the Earls landed at Sandwich. Hextall may have joined the Earls at Canterbury with Fogge and Horne, or he may have waited till after his master was killed at Northampton. At least he had no trouble with the Yorkists. He was confirmed in office and remained Teller of the Exchequer till 23 June 1463;¹ received a livery of clothes in 1461. He was still living in 1466, when he was exor. of the will of that other Stafford retainer John Harpur of Rushall by Walsall (*q.v.*). At Walsall he must have died, for his tomb was once there, inscribed, so we are told, "*Ora pro animis Willi Hexstall et Margaratae et Johanae uxorum.*"² He held land in Walsall, which, according to his bro. Henry's will in 1492, William bequeathed jointly to his yr. bros., Thomas and Henry. His other lands went elsewhere.

Bavington-Jones, in his *Annals of Dover* (p. 291), says that he came to Dover as receiver under Humphrey, duke of Buckingham, and continued to hold office under the Earl of Warwick. Jones, following Hasted, makes him the son of Richard Hexstall, of Hextall's Court in East Peckham. This sounds improbable; and Erdeswick, the Staffordshire historian *c.* 1600, makes him son of Hugh Hextall of Milwich, Staffs. In any case, the Pardon Rolls of 1452 and 1458 make it quite clear that the Kent and Staffordshire man were one and the same; and his Parliamentary record shows that he was the trusted retainer of the Stafford house.

HEYDON, Sir HENRY (1440-1504); of Baconsthorpe, Norf.; lawyer. M.P. Yarmouth (? 1485-6); 1487; (? 1489-90).

S. and h. of John Heydon of same M.P. (1405-79) by Eleanor (Winter); *m.* Anne (*d.* 1510),³ second da. of Geoffrey Boleyn M.P. (1405-63),⁴ who probably brought him the West Wickham lands in Kent. Three sons, John, William and Henry, and five daughters survived him.

A feoffee at Blickling 1465, for the Cleves at Ormesby 1473,⁵ with Earl Rivers in 1480, for Henry, lord Morley, at Hengham in 1489, and for John Lee of Addington (*q.v.*) in Surrey, 1501.⁶ Pardoned, 1468/9, as of Baconsthorpe esq., late of London, *alias* of Blickling (m.16). J.P. Norfolk, of the quorum, 2 Dec. 1473 till death; on Norfolk comns. 1478 onwards, including all those of 1483-4 and gaol deliveries at Dereham and Yarmouth; steward of the priory of Holy Trinity, Colchester;⁷ kntd. 1485.⁸ No revolution removed him from the bench. J.P. Kent, 4 Dec. 1490-8; on comns. of *oyer* in East Anglia, 1495, and in Devon 1497 and 1502; at Court, at the Duke of York's creation 1494, and at the reception of Catherine of Aragon 1501.⁹

D. shortly before 22 May 1504, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the

¹ Issue Rolls, 6 Edw. IV, No. 837.

² *Staffs. Colls.* (1917), 208.

³ Will pr. 1510 of Dame Anne Heydon of Norwich and Kent (P.C.C., 28 Bennett).

⁴ *Paston Letters*, ii. 304.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 229.

⁶ Pardon Roll, 1501 (m.43).

⁷ *Select Cases on Law Merchant* (Selden Soc.), 127.

⁸ Between 8 Dec. 1484 and 6 Feb. 1486.

⁹ Gairdner, *Let. & Pap.*, i. 404, 410.

Norfolk eschr.¹ Will, dat. 20 Feb. 1504, of Henry Heydon knt. of Baconsthorpe and West Wickham, Kent.²

Prima facie this successful lawyer of a Parliamentary family might be expected to be found in Parliament. But he did not sit in 1478 or in 1491, and all other lists are missing. It seems clear, however, that though already a knight, he sat for Yarmouth boro' in 1487; and, in Jan. 1488, the grant made to Yarmouth was to be spent under the supervision of Heydon and Hobart.³ The Parlt. of 1489-90 granted a charter to Southwold by the mediation of Sir Henry Heydon, John Hobart, attorney genl. (*q.v.*), Edmund Jenny (*q.v.*) and John Yaxley (*q.v.*)⁴—all lawyers and M.P.s about that time. During the first session of the 1489-90 Parlt. Margery Paston writes from London, "Heydon shall send you the certain of all other things granted at this Parliament" and she writes then "because he (Heydon) might not write it till night."⁵ We think he may be assumed to be M.P. in 1489-90, and if so, with more doubt, in 1485-6, possibly in 1484 also.

HEYDON, JOHN (1405-79); of Baconsthorpe; lawyer. M.P. NORFOLK 1445-6; somewhere, perhaps Yarmouth, 1459; somewhere, perhaps BERKSHIRE, 1460-1. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of William Heydon of the same, by Jane, da. and h. of John Warren of Lancs.; *m.* Eleanor, da. of Edward Winter of Winter-Bermingham; issue, Sir Henry M.P. (1440-1504).

He was Recorder of Norwich 1431-3; sworn to the peace in Norfolk, 1434; J.P. Norfolk, of the quorum, 28 May 1441 to 9 Oct. 1450, and 28 Mar. 1455 to 24 Nov. 1460. On Norfolk comms. from 1438 to 1460, all Lancastrian, including the array of Dec. 1459, and again in 1470-1, during the Readeption. Elector, Norfolk, 1442 and 1472. In 1442 he was exempted from being made Serjeant-at-Law; pardoned, Nov. 1446, together with the Earl of Suffolk, as a feoffee of Sir Thomas Hoo (*m.20*); and as himself in Feb. 1447 (*m.1*). According to the Pastons he was an abettor of Lord Moleyns in 1449, and Sir John Fastolf accuses Heydon "of wronging him these last thirteen years."⁶ In 1451 various rumours flew about as to the fate of Heydon and Tuddenham. In Jan. he was to be indicted of treason; in Mar. he was to be made a knt., when it was feared that he and Tuddenham would regain influence. Those wronged by Tuddenham and Heydon were put on a list, and included Yelverton, Fastolf, Paston, Bernay, and John Damme.⁷ He was put back on the Bench in Mar. 1455, and appears on the Pardon Roll with Tuddenham, Edmund Hampden and others, tenants of the lands late of William de la Pole, duke of Suffolk (*m.9*).

¹ Fine Roll, 19 Hen. VII (*m.3*).

² If he die in Norfolk, to be bur. in Norwich cathedral where his father lies; if in London, to be bur. in the Grey Friars. £20 to be given in array and bedding to poor folks. Mentions his wife "Johanna" (? Anne) and sons William and Henry. To s. John his proper cattle. Five das. *inter alia* Dorothy, Brigett and Anne Quincey. His wife to divide his English books among his children, but first to choose out what she likes for herself. Sir John Paston to have his best horse; all other horses to be divided by "brother" Sir William Boleyn between his wife and his three sons. 5 marks to Thomas Langdon for making the will. Exors.:—Son John, Edmund Bakton clerk, Robert Fermour, William Groundesburgh and Thomas Langdon. Supervisors, Thomas Lovell knt., William Boleyn knt.—no date of proof (P.C.C., 23 Holgrave).

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1488), 223, 308.

⁴ *ibid.* (1489), 300.

⁵ *Paston Letters*, iii. 350.

⁶ *ibid.* i. 116.

⁷ *ibid.* i. 187-92.

Even with the Yorkist Government in power it was rumoured in Oct. 1460 "that Heydon is to sit for Berkshire," and it is stated that he had been in the 1459 Parliament.¹ But, in 1461, the sheriff of Norfolk named Tuddenham and Heydon "to have bills put against them." In June 1461 it was said with regret that Tuddenham and Heydon had pardons; and John Heydon, "of the county of Norfolk, gent.," got a general pardon, 23 Apr. 1462. Tuddenham had perished on the scaffold. About this time Heydon was also a feoffee for Robert, late lord Willoughby, and in 1464/5 he was exor. for the will of Reynold Rouse of Denington (*q.v.*). Pardoned, 16 Oct. 1468—of Baconsthorpe, late of London (m.16), and 24 Feb. 1470 (m.7), and 28 Nov. 1471 of Baconsthorpe, *alias* late of London, gent., *alias* senior.

D. 27 Sept. 1479, when Henry Heydon, of full age, is s. and h.

HEYNES see HAYNES.

HEYNESCOTE see HENSCOTE.

HEYROWE see HAYROSE.

HIBBERDEN, WILLIAM; of Bedham, Sussex. M.P. Midhurst 1460-1.

S. of Robert Hibberden and nephew of John and Richard Hibberden of Westdean, Sussex.²

HIGFORD see HUGFORD.

HIGGINS (HYGON), MATTHEW (1420-68); of Sandwich. M.P. Sandwich 1459.

Mayor of Sandwich 1463-4. D. c. 1468; will, dat. 8 June, pr. at Canterbury, no date. To be bur. in St. Peter's, Sandwich. To w. Elizabeth a silver gilded maser and a silver gilded basin for life; then the maser to s. William, the basin to da. Isabel. Lands in Sandwich and elsewhere to w., reversion to s. and h. William and heirs. Residue to w., and she sole exor.; supervisor, John Catour.³

HIGHAM (IHAM), JOHN (1415-65); of Northampton, baker. M.P. Northampton boro' 1442, (? 1449-50).

John Iham, Baker, was bailiff of Northampton 1450-1; elector 1450; and John Higham, baker, in 1455-6. John *Baker* served no office.

The fact that he is called baker may mean, as in the case of John Edward, goldsmith, that he is the same as John "Baker", who was M.P. for Northampton in 1449-50.

HIGHAM see IHAM.

HILL, JOHN (1405-57/61); of Bridgwater, chapman. M.P. Bridgwater 1450-1.

Perhaps s. of John Hill, provost of Bridgwater in 1423.

¹ *Paston Letters*, i. 521-2.

² Will of John Hibberden of Badham (Bedham), and of Westeden (Westdean); dated 10 Dec. 1456 (P.C.C., 7 Stockton).

³ Cant. Prob. Regr. A.i. fo. 49od.

He was Receiver of Bridgwater in 1438; elector, Som., 1447; and in 1449 his expenses were paid for going to Taunton to see about the hanging of a felon there. He is called chapman of Bridgwater when pardoned outlawry for not appearing in 1456. Perhaps he sold wine, for he had 3s. 8d. "when the town was blessed".¹ His da. acquired a seat in the church in 1456; and in 1457 Hill was paid 13s. 4d. for Alexander Hody's fee. He was dead in 1461;² and his s. John died 1481/2.

HILL,³ JOHN (1424-55); of Spaxton, Som., esq. M.P. Taunton 1447.

B. 6 Sept. 1424;⁴ s. and h. of John Hill (M.P. Som. 1430; d. 1434) of Spaxton, by Cecily⁵ da. and coh. of John Stourton of Preston Plucknett, Som.; m. Margaret, da. of John Rodney,⁶ by whom he had Genevieve.

His marriage was granted, for 600 marks, to John Horseley and Richard Frokenhale, esqs., 16 Dec. 1435;⁷ custody of those two-thirds of his lands held by the King was granted for 100 marks a year to his step-father Thomas Kyriell and Cecily (she having the other third) 20 June 1440;⁸ elector, Som., 1447.

D. 10 Oct. 1455; Genevieve, aged 8 weeks, was his da. and h.⁹

HILL,¹⁰ ROBERT (1392-1444); of Shilstone¹¹ in Modbury, Devon; esq. M.P. DEVONSHIRE 1442.

S. and h. of Sir Robert Hill, the Justice of Common Pleas 1393-1425, by Isabel; m. c. 1419 Margaret, da. of Sir Richard Champernowne of Modbury, Devon, by whom he had four s. and two das.¹²

Sheriff of Devon, 1428; as "junior" an elector, Devon, 1421; on Devon comns. including *oyer et terminer* 1432-44; as of Shilstone, a witness at N. Huish, 1433; sworn to the peace in Devon, 1 May 1434; accounted for Wadfast, Cornwall, 1437;¹³ inquest ordered, Sept. 1442, into the complaint of Walter Raleigh, esq. (*q.v.*) that Robert Hill of Shilstone, Devon, and others lay in wait to kill him at Ugborough, Devon, cast him into a great and deep water there, stole his goods to the value of £20, and assaulted his men.

D. shortly before 12 May 1444, when his writ of *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Devon.¹⁴ Comm. apptd., 18 Nov. 1445, to inquire into the will of Robert Hill, esq., decd.

¹ Bridgwater C.D., 1664, *ex inf.* T. Bruce Dilks.

² *ibid.* 903.

³ Arms:—Gu., a saltire vair between four mullets or.

⁴ *Inq. p.m.*, C. 139. 71. 36.

⁵ She rem. Sir Thomas Kyriell (*q.v.*) and d. 1472.

⁶ He was, therefore, bro.-in-law of Sir Walter Rodney (*q.v.*), who sat with him in the Parlt. of 1447 for the county. Margaret rem. Thomas Burdett, esq., *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1456), 327.

⁷ *ibid.* (1435), 496.

⁸ *ibid.* (1440), 420.

⁹ *Inq. p.m.*, 34 Hen. VI, No. 17; lands—Som., Devon, Cornwall, Berks. The custody of his lands and marriage of his h. were granted, for £220, to (Sir) Henry Burgchier, Sir Thomas Tyrell, John Grene (*qq.v.*) and (Sir) William Tyrell of Beche, 13 May 1456; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1456), 285, 288.

¹⁰ Arms:—Ar., a chevron between three water-bougets sa. This Hill is to be distinguished from Hill of Spaxton, Som. (*q.v.*).

¹¹ Pardon Roll, 3 Mar. 1437 (m.26).

¹² Vivian, *Visitns. of Devon*, 486.

¹³ *Enrolled Accts.* F. Henry VI. N.

¹⁴ Fine Roll, 22 Hen. VI (m.17).

HILL, ROBERT (1425-85); of Marchington, Staffs., esq. Lawyer. M.P. Newcastle-under-Lyme 1467-8; Stafford boro' 1472-5; (and perhaps somewhere 1470-1.)¹

Perhaps s. of Robert Hill (*d.* 1448), by Agnes, heiress of Houndhill, Staffs.; *m.*, 1445, Elizabeth, da. of Robert Woodford of Ashby-Folville, Leics.

As of Houndhill, Staffs., he was mainpernor for Robert Taylor, 1453.² He may be the Hill admt'd. to Lincoln's Inn, 1463; but he was elector, Staffs., 1450 and occurs in Staffs., 1461 and 1472; eschr. Staffs., 1463-4. Probably the Duchy nominee for Newcastle in 1467, coming as usual from the Duchy estates in Needwood. In 1469 he granted land in Marchington to his sons Robert and William.³ J.P. Staffs., of the quorum, 4 Dec. 1470 to 1471 and 4 Apr. 1473 till death; on Staffs. comms. 1473, 1478; pardoned 29 Oct. 1472, "of Hownhill, Staffs., esq., *alias* late escheator, *alias* gent." He endowed a chantry at St. Catherine's in 1481 for the soul of his wife Elizabeth, then dead. Eschr. again 1484-5.

He probably died in 1485 to judge from his J.P.ships. He is *not* the contemporary goldsmith of London, *nor* the gent., M.P. for Bridport whose will was pr. in 1493 (3 Vox).

HILL, ROBERT (1425-93); of Bridport. M.P. Bridport 1478.

Probably this man was eschr. of Som. and Dorset 1448-9; pardoned as late eschr., 20 Jan. 1461;⁴ one of the two wardens of St. Mary's ch., Bridport, 1477;⁵ bailiff of Bridport 1479 and 1482.⁶

D., seised of lands held in chief in Somerset, 1493;⁷ will of Robert Hill of Bridport, gent., dat. 1 Aug. 1490, pr. 1493. To be bur. where he dies. Bequests to son Giles and he sole exor. But if Giles predecease him, testator's das. Margaret and Jane to be exixs.⁸

HILL, THOMAS (1400-50); of Plymouth. Customs, Plymouth, 1443-50. M.P. Plymouth 1449 (1).

In Oct. 1430 he was a pirate on a ballinger called *La Trinite* of Exmouth; but by 1435 he was attorney for Sir John Arundel of Trerice, and was investigating piracy at Plymouth; to arrest *Le Marie* of Fowey, 1440; to take *Le Catherine* of Sluys at Plymouth, 1442. He was on another piracy comm. in 1444. Apptd., during pleasure, controller of customs in Fowey and Plymouth, to exercise the office in person, 29 May 1443.

HILLERSDON, ROBERT (1442-1500); of Hillersdon, Chittlehampton, and Honeychurch, Devon; lawyer. M.P. Plympton 1478.

S. and h. of Andrew Hillersdon of same⁹ (1417-82); *m.* 1466¹⁰ Jane, and left a s. and h. Andrew (*b.* 1473), later J.P. Devon.

¹ His neighbour John Delves (*q.v.*) was sheriff, and an official of the Readeption government. ² Fine Roll, 32 Hen. VI (m.21). ³ Staffs. Colls. 1917, p. 252.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 39 Hen. VI (m.26).

⁵ Hist. MSS. Comm. vi. 485.

⁶ Hutchins, Dorset.

⁹ Andrew was called "of Lamshead, Devon, gent.," in 1467 (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1467, 60).

⁷ Inq. p.m. 9 Hen. VII; C. Vol. 23. No. 10.

⁸ P.C.C., 3 Vox.

⁹ He was sheriff in 1455-6, when the commons said he favoured Lord Bonville (*Rot. Parl.* v. 332).

¹⁰ The marriage settlement is quoted in his Inq. p.m.

Admtd. to Lincoln's Inn, 1463; but in Trinity term 1467 an unfortunate incident occurred:—"one Robert Hillersdon, a fellow of the society, with malice aforethought and incited thereto by Thomas Jenney, struck Robert Stanshaw with a dagger in several places, so that he despaired of his life; for which cause Hillersdon was arrested by the society and taken to the King's counter, and there he was committed to prison at the instance of the society as a suspected felon; and thereupon, by Richard Illingworth knt., chief baron of the Exchr., John Ingoldsby, one of the barons, William Jenney, serjeant-at-law, and the governors and the whole society, said Hillersdon was put out of the society." Afterwards at Trinity 1468, "by long and continuous labour throughout the whole year, and by most humble submission, and also by the great exertion of his friends, as well as Fellows as others," he was readmitted and paid 10 marks.¹

He succeeded to his father's lands 1482; and *d.* 14 Jan. 1500, when Andrew, aged 27, was his s. and h.; the widow Jane survived, seised of Hillersdon etc. under the settlement of 1466.²

HILLEY, JOHN (1390-1457); of Chichester. M.P. Arundel 1419, 1421 (1), 1422, 1427-8, 1429-30, 1431, 1435; Chichester 1449 (1), 1450-1, 1453-4.

On Sussex comms. 1431, and sworn to the peace there 1434. Mayor of Chichester 1452.

D. 1457. Will, dat. 24 Mar., pr. 15 Sept. 1457. John Hilly, of London and Chichester. To be bur. in the Convent ch. of St. Francis at Chichester. Bequests to his s. John, to his s.-in-law William James and da. Elizabeth, and Jane da. of William James. His wife Alice to have various properties, with remainder to s. John, and, in default of heirs, to William James and Elizabeth his wife. To his wife an annuity of £10 from money owed to him by Thomas Uvedale esq., and Thomas Tawke (*q.v.*). Residue to Alice, and she sole executrix.³

HILLEY (HYLLEY), JOHN (1430-94); ald. of Gloucester. M.P. Gloucester boro' 1467-8.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Hilley, bailiff in 1448, elector 1449-53, by a da. of John Ferrer, farrier.

Living in Oxbode lane in 1455,⁴ bailiff of Gloucester 1457; elector 1472, 1478; made alderman by Richard III, 1483; mayor 1487; master of St. Margaret's hospital, Gloucester, 1465.⁵

D. 1494; will pr. 23 Sept. 1494. To be bur. in St. Ewen's, Gloucester. Bequests to s. Richard. To wife Elizabeth, if she remained single, his stock of sheep and his residence. Exors.:—Elizabeth and the Prior of Lanthony. Overseer, his cousin, Thomas Hunt.⁶

HILLING (HILLYNG), ROBERT (1415-75); of Plympton and of Langage by Plympton, Devon, yeoman. M.P. Plympton 1449-50, 1450-1.

In 1443 a writ was issued to Robert Hillyng and Elizabeth his wife in Devon.⁷ He was on a comn. with Thomas Gille and Stebbing (*qq.v.*) dealing with piracy at Plymouth, Feb. 1451; pardoned 26 July 1452, as "of Langechuysshe, Devon, yeoman, late of Plympton" (m.15). In 1467/72 Hilling was sued for a message

¹ *Black Books of Lincoln's Inn*, 43.

² *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 362.

³ P.C.C., 10 Stokton.

⁴ *Gloucester Rentals* (1455), pp. 74, 76.

⁵ Williams, *Gloucestershire M.P.s.*

⁶ P.C.C., 14 Vox.

⁷ *Fine Roll*, 21 Hen. VI.

and land in "Langhuysshe," Venton and "Shakeston," Devon, late of John Holcombe M.P.¹ He was pardoned again, 10 Apr. 1472;² and was probably dead 1475/80, when Robert Langman sued the feoffees to uses of Robert Hilling, for settling land on William, son of Robert Hilling.³

HILLS (HYLLYS), THOMAS (1410-60); of Yarmouth, mercer. M.P. Yarmouth 1442, 1449 (1).

Thomas Hills, of Great Yarmouth, mercer, was pardoned outlawry for a debt of £29, 1438; bailiff of Yarmouth, 1448-9 (returning himself to Parliament); perhaps he was granted £5 a year from the subsidy of ulnage on cloths in London, Nov. 1462. But there were other Thomas Hills or Hillys in Cambs. and Sussex. On the whole we think the Yarmouth Member died about 1460.

HILTON, NICHOLAS (1445-88); of Cambridge. M.P. Cambridge boro' 1478.

Bailiff of Cambridge 1475; mayor 1484-6;⁴ J.P. Cambridge boro' (then mayor), 5 Oct. 1484 till death. *D.* 1487/8; will, dat. 22 Dec. 1487, pr. 1488.⁵ To be bur. in Holy Trinity, Cambridge. The house he inhabits to wife Isabel for life with reversion to da. Agnes, unless a male child is born. Exors.:—his bro. Roger Hilton, cit. and upholsterer of London, and John Adams, baker and cit. of Cambridge.⁵

HILTON, ROBERT. M.P. Marlborough 1478.

Probably a local burgess, but a Robert Hilton and John Benstede were charged with murderous assaults in Bennington and Yardley, Herts., *c.* 1475;⁶ such a man was attainted for fighting against Henry VII at Stoke, 1487,⁷ and forfeited lands of his in Halliwell, Lancs., were granted to the Earl of Derby, 1489. A Robert Hilton mainperned Cuthbert Musgrave of "Clythyhowe," Cumbd., in 1499, as "of London esq."⁸

HIMERFORD, JOHN (1425-1501); of East Coker, Som. King's Servant. M.P. Wells 1453-4; Bridgwater 1483 (1).

Perhaps son of Robert Himerford. The family were freeholders in East Coker. Eschr., Som. and Dorset, 1456-7; King's receiver and constable in Somerset. In Mar. 1460 he was one of those directed to muster the force to defend the seas; pardoned, as though Lancastrian, 1 Apr. 1462, "of East Coker, gent., *alias* esq., *alias* late escheator, *alias* late receiver of the Duchy of Cornwall." Elector, Somerset, 1467, 1472, 1478; elected for Bridgwater, Dec. 1482. In 1484 he was holding a tenement in Coker called "Le Waynes", and after Bosworth he was made customer of Poole 1486, and put on a comn. in Somerset. He is described as "senior" in 1500, and died 1500/1. Will of John Himerford of East Coker pr. in P.C.C. 14 Feb. 1501. He leaves the residue of his estate to his wife Jane.⁹

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 41/271.

² Late of Tiverton, Devon, gent., *alias* of Languish, *alias* of Exeter, *alias* yeoman.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 53/92.

⁴ J. Milner Gray, *Biog. Notes on Mayors of Cambridge.*

⁵ P.C.C., 14 Miller.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 25/82.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 397.

⁸ Fine Roll, 15 Hen. VII, No. 15.

⁹ P.C.C., 12 Moone.

HIND (HYNDE), JOHN¹ (1410-64); King's Servant. M.P. Westbury 1455-6.

Yr. s. of John Hende *alias* Hynde, cit. and draper of London (*d.* 1418), by Elizabeth da. of Sir John Norbury (Elizabeth *rem.* Ralph Boteler, lord Sudeley); his elder bro. John "the elder" *d.* 1461 leaving a da. Jane *m.* to Walter Writtle M.P.

John Hinde (younger), called King's esq., was made a forester of Windsor with the custody of Cranborne Chase, 18 Feb. 1436; and sheriff of Carnarvon, 5 Jan. 1438. As King's squire and Marshal of the Hall, he was made keeper of Chelmsford, 1 Aug. 1444, and the grant was repeated, specifically to the younger, 3 Jan. 1445. He had surrendered the forestership of Windsor by 1446, but he had licence to ship uncustomed cloth, July 1448. Pardoned, 24 Jan. 1459, as "John Hende, *alias* Hynde junior, late eschr. of Essex and Herts." (m.24).² He died Thursday before the Nativity of the B.V.M. 1464.³

HOARE (HORE), WILLIAM (1405-75); of Salisbury, mercer. M.P. Salisbury 1445-6, 1453-4, 1459. Yorkist.

S. of Robert Hoare (occurs 1397), and father of Robert Hoare (occurs 1470), of Rushford in Chagford, Devon.⁴

Mayor of Salisbury 1433; pardoned 1437,⁵ and again June 1446, as of Salisbury, mercer, late mayor. William Hoare and John Porte, both of Salisbury, appealed against the unauthorised action of the Court of Admiralty in allowing them to be prosecuted in a maritime plea, Oct. 1452. Hoare was comsmd. with Sir John Stourton and the mayor to suppress riots and insurrections in Dec. 1460, and William Hoare, junior, heads the list of the contingent sent from Salisbury to assist the Yorkists, Dec. 1460.⁶

When Queen Margaret and Somerset landed in Apr. 1471 Salisbury was almost in the line of march. The Corpn. paid William Hoare junior for riding to the Duke of Somerset at Glastonbury with excuses for not sending soldiers. They paid him again, or his father, for "his trouble with the mayor," in writing and advising at that time, 5s. Again they paid to the same William 6s. 8d. when for the last time he repaired to the Duke of Somerset, to obtain permission for the soldiers to remain at home.⁷ They evidently did not go to Tewkesbury. William Hoare, of Salisbury, merchant, *alias* esq., was naturally pardoned on 18 Dec. 1471. He had done well by the Yorkists.

HOBART (HUBBERD), (Sir) JAMES (1440-1517); of Hales, Norfolk. Attorney-Gen. and P.C. 1486-1517. Recorder of Norwich 1496. M.P. Ipswich

¹ The Christian name has been lost from the Return. It can only be guessed at John. It is even more of a guess to assume that the M.P. was junior and not senior. The M.P. is not the mayor of Marlborough of 1465.

² No such escheator appears in the P.R.O. list.

³ *Ex inf.* A. Storey Maskelyne.

⁴ So Sir Richard Hoare, *Modern Wilts.* But a Wm. Hore was bailiff of Bridport, 1425.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1437, "of Salisbury, mercht., exor. of the will of John Guy" (m.21).

⁶ Benson and Hatcher, *Old and New Sarum*, 135.

⁷ *ibid.* 178.

1467-8, 1478, 1483 (1); sumnd. 1487, 1489-90,¹ 1491-2, 1495, 1497, 1504, 1510, 1512, 1515.

Ygst. s. of Thomas Hobart of Layham, Suffolk; *m.* (1) Margery, sis. of John Lyhert, and (3) Margaret, da. of Piers Naunton of Letheringham.

Admtd. Lincoln's Inn, 1458; Lent reader 1479; he bought and lived at Hales Hall in Loddon; friend of John Paston, but employed by Duke of Norfolk.² Suffolk elector, 1478, when elected for Ipswich; pardoned, 12 July 1486;³ King's Attorney and P.C., 1 Nov. 1486 and sumnd. to Parliament thereafter; jointly with Thomas Lovell, steward of the Duchy in Norfolk, Suffolk and Cambs., 7 Aug. 1489;⁴ J.P. Suffolk, of the quorum, 1489 till death; recorder of Norwich 1496; serjt.-at-law, Aug. 1501; kntd. 18 Feb. 1503.

D. 23 Feb. 1517, bur. in Norwich Cathedral. Will pr. in P.C.C. 6 May 1517. His g.g.s. was Sir Henry Hobart, C.J., M.P., ancestor of all the Hobarts.

HOBBS (HOBBSYS), JOHN; of Tiverton, yeoman. M.P. Totnes 1449-50, 1450-1.

John Hobbys, late of Tiverton, Devon, yeoman, appears on the pardon rolls of 1452 (m.16) and 1459 (m.43). A John Hobbes was attorney for William Fokerey (*q.v.*) in 1494.⁵

HOBSON, JOHN; ? King's servant. M.P. Old Sarum 1491-2.

In 1463 a King's serjeant-at-arms and John Hobson were ordered to arrest some merchants of Genoa in Kent; but, the name being common, this is not likely to be the same man.

HODGKINS (HOGEKYNS), WILLIAM (1395-1461); ald. of Bath.

M.P. Bath 1432, 1435, 1449 (1), 1450-1, 1455-6.

In 1397 a William, s. and h. of William Hodgkins of Frome, was suing for land in Frome. This may be the father of the M.P.

He witnessed a deed at Stert in Babcary, Som., 15 Oct. 1431.⁶ Mayor of Bath 1434-5, 1440-1, 1446-7; alderman from 1445.⁷ On 14 Apr. 1434 there was pardoned one William Butte of Norwich, mercer, for not appearing to answer the King and William HogeKYNS, in whose service he was retained at Bath, for having quitted the same service contrary to the ordinance; and in 1445 William Hodgekins was a collector of the subsidy in Bath.⁸ In June 1454 the corpn. leased cottages in Southgate st. to him and his wife Jane. Recently dead in 1461.⁹

HODGSON, ROBERT (1410-58); of Scarborough. M.P. Scarborough 1455-6.

In 1444 Robert, Richard, Henry and James Hodgson, all yeomen of Dent,

¹ In the Parlt. of 1489-90 Southwold was given a charter by the mediation of Sir Henry Haydon M.P., James Hobart A.G., Edmund Jenney M.P. and John Yaxley M.P.

² *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. James Hobart.

³ "Late of Bacton, Suff., gent., *alias* late of Loddon, Norf., *alias* late of London" (m.11). ⁴ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 472. ⁵ *Dartmouth Records*, Watkin, 159.

⁶ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 170.

⁷ *Bath Ancient Deeds*, pp. 14, 66, 69, 97.

⁸ Fine Roll, 24 Hen. VI (m.4).

⁹ *Bath Ancient Deeds*, pp. 14, 61.

Yorks., were sued for trespass by John Middleton of Dent. Bailiff of Scarborough 1453. In Aug. 1454 he was on a comn. with the Scarborough bailiffs to arrest pirates, and he died July 1458. Will of Robert Hodgson, burgess of Scarborough, dat. 3 July, pr. at York 10 July 1458.¹

HODGSON, THOMAS (1435-81); of Scarboro', armourer. M.P. Grimsby 1459.

Perhaps son of Robert Hodgson of same M.P. (1410-58). The will of Thos. Hodgson, armourer, dat. 2 Jan. 1481, pr. at York, 6 Sept. 1481, is probably the same man (5.110).

HODY, (Sir) ALEXANDER (1405-61); of Bower and Gothelney, Som. Steward to E. of Salisbury 1432-55; lawyer. M.P. Shaftesbury 1429-30; Bridgwater 1431, 1433; SOMERSET 1437, 1442, 1445-6, 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1450-1, 1455-6 (and probably 1459). Lancastrian.

Second s. of Thomas Hody of Kington Magna, near Shaftesbury, by Margaret, da. of John Pole of Neathway near Brixham; *i.e.* bro. to Sir John Hody, and exor. of his will in 1441; uncle also to Sir William Hody, attorney general (1434 to 1524)—both Somerset M.P.s. M. Margaret da. of Thomas Bratton, left no issue and was succeeded by his nephew John.

Riston describes him as "of Gothelney," and there the Hodys lived till the 17th century. He was working in London, 8 Jan. 1434, called of Boure, Som.² From 1432³ to 1455, as steward of the Earl of Salisbury, he held the courts at Somerton; eschr. Som. 1437-8; J.P. Som., of the quorum, 23 Mar. 1439 to 10 Sept. 1443 and 19 Dec. 1444 till death; on all the Som. comns. 1430 onwards, including the Lancastrian array, Dec. 1459, and the *oyer* of June 1460. Exor. of the will of Sir John Paulet, 1436; and for his bro. Sir John Hody, Dec. 1441. From 1441 onwards he was standing counsel for the town of Bridgwater. Pardoned, July 1446 and 12 Nov. 1455;⁴ and about 1458 he was involved in endless disputes with his fellow-Lancastrian, James Lutrell, of Dunster.⁵

After the Yorkist victory at Northampton, Hody remained in the south-west, but in Nov. 1460, with the Duke of Somerset and the Earl of Devon, he gathered his tenants and proceeded to Hull.⁶ He fought at Wakefield, where he was kntd. by the Earl of Devon, 30 Dec. 1460; and he was with Queen Margaret at the battle of St. Albans. After the battle he pressed on to Barnet with 400 men, and later to Aldgate, where, however, the London mob fell upon them and put them to flight. He was exempted by name from Edward's offer of pardon, 6 Mar. 1461. On 25 Mar. a comn. was apptd. to effect his arrest. He probably fought at Towton, but they never took him alive; he was attainted, but had died somewhere on 16 May 1461.

¹ York 2. 366. ² *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1434), 309.

³ In June 1432 he complained that Robert Dillington, Thomas Burton and örs. had assaulted and beaten him at Bridgwater.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1455, as of Boure, Som., J.P. (m.35); Pardon Roll, 1458, as "of Boure in psh. of Bridgwater, esq., *alias* late of Goldenay, Som." (m.19).

⁵ *History of Dunster*, i. 120; Miss Bates Harbin.

⁶ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. pp. 117, 146, 220.

His attainder was reversed for the benefit of his nephew William Hody, then M.P., by the Parlt. of Feb. 1483. It is to be noted that in his nephew's petition he is not spoken of as *knt.*, which looks as though the Yorkist Govt. declined to recognise titles earned on the day of Wakefield.¹

HODY, (Sir) WILLIAM (1434-1524); of Godelney, Som.; Serjt.-at-law 1485; Attorney General 1485-6; Chief Baron 1486-1522. M.P. Totnes 1472-5; Bridgwater 1483 (Jan.). Sumnd. 1485-6.

Second s. of Sir John Hody M.P. (*d.* 1441) and nephew of Sir Alexander Hody M.P., the Lancastrian (1405-61); *m.* Eleanor, da. of Baldwin Malet of Corypool, Som.; issue Reynold, John, and two *das.*²

He carried on the feud between the Hodys and Pymys, and the suit concerning the Woolavington charities.³ J.P. Som. from 1470, and later for eight other counties. Pardoned, 27 Nov. 1471, as of "Godelneygh", Som., *alias* late of Westboure, Som., *alias* late of London. Representing the family interest, he sat for Bridgwater 1483 Jan., and then petitioned for and obtained the reversal of his uncle's attainder.⁴ Pardoned, 30 Nov. 1484, as "of Pyllesdon, Dorset, gent., *alias* late of Godelnegh" (*m.* 12). Apptd. Attorney Genl. and Serjt.-at-law, Sept. 1485; replaced by Hobart as Attorney Genl. 1486; apptd. Chief Baron of the Exchq., 29 Oct. 1486, and *kntd.* 6 Jan. 1487. Exor. of the wills of Avery Cornburgh (*q.v.*) and Thomas Lloyd (*q.v.*), 1487.

He retired from the office of Chief Baron 1522, being succeeded by John FitzJames;² and *d.* 18 June 1524. His heirs were his *g.das.*, Thomasine aged 24, wife of Michael Lytelcote, and Elizabeth, aged 22, wife of Robert Strode, *das.* of his s. Reynold.⁵ As he was summoned to Parliament by writ in 1485 as King's Attorney, but never afterwards while Baron of the Exchr., he may be called in evidence that the Barons of the Exchq. attended in the House of Lords *ex officio*.

HOGKYNS see HODGKINS.

HOGHTON see HOUTON.

HOKE see HOOKER.

HOLAND, JOHN; of Hereford, esq.⁶ M.P. Hereford city 1459.

In 1460 and 1467 this man was a Hereford citizen and elector.

HOLAND, ROGER (1450-1506); of Cowick in Exeter. King's Servant; recorder; lawyer. M.P. Totnes 1491-2; (? 1495); (? 1497); Exeter 1504.

S. and h. of Thomas Holand of same, M.P. (1420-72) by Elizabeth (Appledore);⁷ *m.* Elizabeth, who survived him.

Holand and John Wyvelle were made joint feodaries of the lands of the Duchy of Lancs. in Devon, 2 Jan. 1487;⁸ sheriff, Devon, 1488-9 (with a 100 marks reward),⁸ 1493-4; J.P. Devon, 28 Apr. 1491 till death; on Devon comms.,

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 219.

² *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Wm. Hody.

³ *Somerset & Dorset N. & Q.* xviii, 145. *Per* T. Bruce Dilks esq.

⁴ "Son of John Hody *knt.*, bro. of Alexander" (*Rot. Parl.* vi. 219).

⁵ *Inq. p.m.* 16 Hen. VIII, No. 43.

⁶ Called "esquire" on the 1459 Return.

⁷ He was cousin and h. to Richard Holand 1475/85 (*Early Chan. Proc.* 58/215).

⁸ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 367, 575.

1497 to the subsidy comm. apptd. by Parlt. 1504.¹ Recorder of Exeter, Mar. 1498 until death.² He was made keeper of Salisbury's forfeited lands, 3 Apr. 1492; had the keeping of all escheated lands in Devon and Cornwall, 7 June 1492; licence to export 400 "blokks" of tin, 10 Dec. 1493. The keeping of John Hugyn's lands and heir came to him in 1501—also Calverley, forfeited by Humphrey Calverley of Hellond, Corn., in 1506. Sheriff again 1498-9.

He had been exor. for the will of William Bowley of London in 1485; he was exor. for the will of Sir Richard Edgcombe, 1492; and, jointly with Sir Piers Edgcombe, he was made escheator of the whole Duchy of Cornwall, Dec. 1501. Holand was called King's servant, but the almost infinite range of his west country activities is set out in a pardon issued to his widow and exix. in Dec. 1506—of Bowhill by Exeter, late receiver of Warwick's, Salisbury's, and Spencer's lands, or late sheriff, or King's butler, or controller in the ports of Exeter, Dartmouth, Fowey and Plymouth, or gauger in those ports and in Bridgwater, or J.P., or surveyor of the King's mines in Devon and Cornwall, or receiver of benevolences in those counties, or receiver of the 15th; or receiver of the Duchy of Cornwall, or escheator and feodary of the Duchies of Cornwall and Lancaster in Devon and Cornwall.³ We feel sure that he must have been a lawyer also.

D. 1506—probably in Sept. Will, dat. 4 Sept. 1506, pr. 23 Jan. 1507. To be bur. in St. Michael's, Cowick. Bequests to das. as he had no sons. W. Elizabeth sole exix. Supervisor:—Henry, bp. of Exeter, Sir William Silk, chamberlain of Exeter cathedral, Sir John Tynk, sub-dean of Exeter.⁴

HOLAND, THOMAS (1420-72); of Cowick in Exeter. Lawyer. M.P. Exeter 1449-50, 1450-1, 1455-6.

S. of Richard Holand of Bowhill in St. Thomas by Exeter and Margaret; a cadet branch of Holand of Weare in Topsham (another suburb of Exeter); *m.* Elizabeth.⁵

Elector, Exeter and Devon, 1442. In 1444/5 Thomas was admtd. to the freedom "and he paid no fine for admission, since it was condoned to him by the mayor and his colleagues for his good advice to the mayor and commonalty of Exeter city."⁶ Elector 1449; elector, elected, and apptd. collr. of the subsidy, 1455. His efforts as a collr. seemed to have involved his lands at Cowick being seized into the King's hands.⁷ But he was on a comm. in Apr. 1457 concerned with ships loading for foreign parts without payment of customs in creeks and suspected places in Devon.⁸ Pardoned, 20 Jan. 1459 and 1 Jan. 1453 as "of Cowyk, esq., *alias* of Cowykshete, *alias* late of Tiverton, Devon" (m.14).

D. 1472; will pr. in mayor's court, 25 Jan. 1473, by da. Maud and her future husband Wm. Bowley.⁶ Roger was his eldest s., and both held property in Cowick st., Exeter.⁹

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 538.

² *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander, from Exeter Receiver's Rolls.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1506), 498.

⁴ P.C.C., 17 Adeane.

⁵ Receiver Roll of 1425 refers to Richard Holand's "*amicitia*" with John Holand, earl of Huntingdon (later duke of Exeter). Thomas himself was apparently a lawyer and the family friend of the Duke; and this M.P. should be distinguished from Thomas Holand, the duke's bastard brother.

⁶ Mayor's Court Rolls, *ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

⁷ *Enr. Accts.* F. 34, Henry VI. A. ⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1457), 345.

⁹ The will of William Bowley (*q.v.*) provides for masses for the souls of Thomas Holand and Elizabeth his wife, mentioning also Roger Holand of Cowyk, his heir (19 Logge).

HOLBECK, WILLIAM (1405-77); ald. of York; stapler. M.P. York city 1450-1.

M. Agnes, da. of John Astonmore, ald. of York, and had a son, John.¹

Freeman of York, 1425; entered the Guild, 1430;² chamberlain, 1437; sheriff, 1439-40; elector, York city, 1447, 1449 (then being mayor), 1453 (then alderman), 1467 (alderman); mayor, 1449-50, 1458-9, 1470, 1471. Accounted for the Merchants' Co., 1451-2;³ one of the city worthies apptd. to enquire touching the behaviour of John Marton (*q.v.*) of York, July 1448; one of those to found a guild in York, 6 Nov. 1458—he being then mayor. Pardoned, 2 Sept. 1468. The Patent Roll, 22 Mar. 1471, contains the only known Act of the Readeption Parlt. of 26 Nov. 1470.³ Whereas, by Act. of Parlt. of 26 Nov. 1470, it was ordained that the election of the Mayor of York should be held annually on St. Gregory's day (12 Mar.); but on account of the dissensions, no election has been made, the King (Hen. VI) hereby appoints William Holbeach, citizen and alderman of York, to be Mayor for one year.² On two York city comns. 1472. Exempted for ever, through ill-health, from the aldermanry, 21 Sept. 1476.²

D. 1477; will, dat. 9 May, pr. at York, 29 Oct. 1477;⁴ he left a widow, Margaret.⁴

HOLCOTE, WILLIAM (1405-55); of Maldon, gent. M.P. Maldon 1442, 1449-50.

On 6 Feb. 1439 William Holcote of Maldon, gent., was mainpernor for William Aylewyn of the same. Bailiff of Maldon 1443-5, 1447-8; elector, Essex, 1449 (1), 1450.

HOLES see HULSE.

HOLGATE, NICHOLAS (1410-70); ald. of York. M.P. York city 1460-1.

S. of John Holgate, merchant of York; *m.* (1) 1440, Agnes Radcliffe of York; (2) after 1449, Alice da. of Roger Burton, town clerk.⁵ Admitted freeman 1430; chamberlain, 1445; sheriff, 1448-9;⁶ mayor of York, 1458-9; elector, York city, 1449 (2), 1450, 1453, 1459 while mayor, 1467 while alderman. A comnr. of sewers in 1462.

HOLGRAVE, JOHN (1435-86); of Bermondsey and Walton-on-the-Hill, Surrey. Baron of the Exchq. 1484-6. M.P. Southwark 1478, (? 1483 Jan.), (? 1484).

M. Alice, da. of Walter Green (*q.v.*) and widow of John Arderne, mother of Mr. Walter Arderne and of Thomas and John Holgrave.

Feoffee for Thomas Windsor (*q.v.*) in Stanwell, 1466, and his attorney in 1477;⁷ J.P. Surrey, of the quorum, 12 May 1472 to Sept. 1485; on Surrey comns. 1473 till the gaol delivery at Guildford 1486, including the subsidy comn. of Aug.

¹ *Test. Ebor.* v. 32.

² *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 239.

⁴ To be bur. in the ch. of the Friars preachers.

⁵ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

⁶ Lists and Indexes MSS. York.

⁷ Attorney to deliver seisin of Twickenham for Thomas Windsor, 1477 (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 191).

1483 but not those of Apr. 1483 or Feb. 1484—hence perhaps M.P. 1483 Jan. and 1484. Apptd. 4th Baron of the Exchq., 24 Sept. 1484, renewed by Henry VII, 24 Sept. 1485;¹ comn. of *oyer* in Essex, 19 Mar. 1485. On 5 July 1486 he obtained from the Crown a lease of the *Fleur de Luyce* in the Strand.²

D. 1486. Will of John Holgrave, baron of the Exchq., dat. 6 Aug. 1486, pr. 22 Sept. 1487.³ His wife Alice survived him one year and their wills were proved together. Will of Alice, dat. 12 Sept., pr. 22 Sept. 1487.⁴ Of the Holgrave sons, John, probably under age in 1487, was M.P. for Old Sarum in 1491.

HOLGRAVE, JOHN (1467–1511); of London, stapler. M.P. Old Sarum 1491–2.

Perhaps second s.⁵ of John Holgrave of Walton-on-the-Hill, Surrey, Chief Baron, M.P. (1435–86) by Alice (Green), formerly wife of John Arderne.

Richard Arderne, under a settlement of Imworth (Ember), Surrey, gave a contingent remainder to his bro. (*i.e.* half-bro.) John Holgrave, and *d.* 1500.⁶ In 1505 Holgrave was one of the 500 staplers forced to pay for a pardon; pardoned again 1509/10, as of London, mercer, merchant of the staple.

D. 1511; will of John Holgrave—to be buried at Epsom, pr. 1511.⁷

HOLLE, JOHN (1455–1505); of Romney. M.P. Romney 1491–2.

A jurat of Romney 1488–98; bailiff 1491, when sent to Yarmouth; chamberlain with Vincent Finch (*q.v.*), 1496.⁸

HOLMAGE (HOLMEHEGGE), NICHOLAS (1405–60/5); of Southampton, merchant. M.P. Southampton boro' 1450–1.

M. Jane widow of William Marche M.P.,⁹ and she founded a chantry at St. Mary's.⁹

Bailiff of Southampton 1441–2; mayor 1443–4, 1454–5; elector 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1453; on Southampton comns. 1444–57. In Dec. 1460 he was nominated for mayor, but the mob with violence caused Bagworth to be elected.¹⁰ In 1460/5 John Lions of Sandwich sued him and his wife Jane, as feoffees to uses, for a messuage in Southampton, and in 1465 Gregory son of Nicholas Holmage and Agnes, Gregory's wife, sued Nicholas's feoffees for the same messuage. So that he probably died 1460/5.

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 471; *do.* (1485), 19.

² Campbell, *Materials*, i. 481.

³ To be bur. in Bermondsey behind St. Saviours, beside his mother-in-law Elizabeth Green. Bequests to sons Thomas and John, to da. Elizabeth, to wife Alice; to Richard Arderne "for his learning 10 marks"; to the brotherhood of clerks of London "whereof I am a brother" 1 mark; land to his children, remainder in default of heirs, to his son-in-law (*i.e.* step-son) Richard Arderne and Katherine Colyns. Residue to wife Alice and she *exix.* with his son Thomas, Master Walter Arderne and Richard Arderne (P.C.C., 4 Milles).

⁴ To be bur. next her husband in St. Saviours. Bequests to sons Thomas and John and da. Besse; also to son Richard (Arderne) and Katheryne, and to cousin Alice Grene and Sir Walter her son. Exors.:—her sons, Richard and Walter Arderne and Thomas Holgrave (P.C.C., 4 Milles).

⁵ Thomas Holgrave was eldest s. and heir to Bures, Surrey (Banstead Court Rolls, 3 Hen. VII, *per* Sir Hy. Lambert).

⁶ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. 219.

⁷ P.C.C., 2 Fetiplace.

⁸ Romney Assessment Books, *per* Miss Roper.

⁹ *Southampton Book of Remembrance*, ii. 88n; Davies, *Southampton*, pp. 164, etc.

¹⁰ *Black Book of Southampton*, ii. 59n; *Book of Remembrance*, iii. 2.

HOLMAN, WILLIAM.

M.P. Gatton 1459.

He was made gaoler of Ilchester, Som., 17 Nov. 1450, and Latham was appointed thereto, in his place, 28 June 1458. A Thomas Holman lived at Godstone, Surrey, and made his will 1487, and a William Holman of Marden, Surrey, was on an inquest of 1499.¹

HONEYWOOD, ALAN; of Hastings.

M.P. Hastings 1450-1.

Alan Honeywode was buried in St. Leonard's, Hythe, 1401; John Honeywode was M.P. Hythe 1447, 1450; Thomas Honeywode M.P. Hythe 1449 (1), 1453; and John Honeywode M.P. Hastings 1478. So that Alan Honeywood was probably a local burgess. The name is not found in the Patent Rolls, etc.

HONEYWOOD (HONYWODE), JOHN (1415-70); of Hythe, cattle-dealer.²M.P. Hythe 1447, 1450-1,³ 1461-2.²

Hasted says that the Honeywood family had been at Postling since Henry III, were later at Hythe, and that John was s. of John, s. of Thomas Honeywood.⁴

He was a jurat of Hythe in 1447 when elected; bailiff of Hythe 1457-8, 1469-70. Elected with Thomas Stacey, 14 June 1461.²

D. 1470. Will, dat. 29 June, pr. 10 July 1470 at Canterbury.⁵ Lands etc. in Hythe, Saltwood and "Posterlynge" to w. Jane; principal mess. in wh. he lives and all lands partible betn. him and bro. Thomas to John s. of Thomas, Walt. Coles and Agnes, and Wm. Jenkyn and Katherine (Agnes and Katherine being testator's das.). Buried in the chapel of St. Edmund in Hythe Church.⁶

HONEYWOOD, JOHN (1435-85); of Hastings.

M.P. Hastings 1478.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Honeywood, M.P., but cf. Alan Honeywood M.P. Hastings 1450-1.

He was one of those commissioned to seize suspected persons coming to Hastings, especially spies, 27 May 1463; one of those (Higham, Litherland, Thomas Rede, etc.) to be arrested by Philip Lowes esq., 28 Oct. 1476.

HONEYWOOD, THOMAS (1420-74); of Hythe.

M.P. Hythe 1449 (1), 1453-4.⁷

Probably s. of John and yr. bro. of John Honeywood M.P. (1415-70). In any case, he was a resident in Hythe, bailiff of Hythe 1464-5, and died 1474, as "of Hythe", leaving a son John, whose descendants became possessors of Evington, Kent.

Will of Thomas Honeywode of Hythe, dat. 1 Jan., pr. at Canterbury, 12 Feb. 1474:—Mentions w. Alice, das. Jane and Alice Dalmyngton, sons Thomas, William, Robert, John and Richard, all under age. Lands in Hythe, Saltwood, Lydd, and

¹ Sir Hen. Lambert, *Godstone*, 209.² Hythe Accts. F.³ Elected, 4 Oct. 1450, claimed wages for 133 days at 2s. (Hythe Accts. E. 94).⁴ Hasted, *Kent*, viii. 38.⁵ Canterbury Wills, C.2. 202.⁶ *Ex inf.* A. H. W. Fynmore.⁷ Elected 25 Feb. 1453. He claimed £10 10s. for wages at the Reading Parlt. and at Westminster—99 days; at Reading at 2s. 8d., at London 2s. a day (Hythe Acct. Books).

on the Salts (*super Saliscum*) in Saltwood. Lands in Honywode in Postlinge parish to John his s. after w. Alice's death (C.2. 262); buried in St. Edmund's chapel in Hythe church.¹

HONYCHURCH (HEVYCHURCH), JOHN (1420-90); of Tavistock, gent. M.P. Tavistock 1453-4, 1478.

S. and h. of John Honychurch of same by Jane da. of Robert Wike; *m.* Jane da. of John Julkyn M.P., and had a s. Walter whose s. William Honychurch was M.P. in 1529 for Tavistock.²

From 1450 he was a feoffee and trustee of Tavistock parish lands and he occurs in nearly every Tavistock deed 1444 to 1490.³ In 1470/1 he and William Webbe were paid their expenses for going to Exeter.⁴ The latest reference to him is in June 1490 and he probably died soon after.

HONYWODE see HONEYWOOD.

HOO, THOMAS (1420-86); of Roffey, Sussex, etc. Lawyer. M.P. SUSSEX 1447, 1449 (1); Horsham 1467-8, 1472-5, 1478.

Yr. half-bro. of Sir Thomas Hoo (1400-55) (Lord Hoo, Dec. 1448), and second s. of Sir Thomas Hoo of Luton-Hoo, Beds., Wartling, Sussex, and Ockley, Surrey, by his second wife Elizabeth, da. of William Echingham; she *rem.* Sir Thomas Lewkenor, M.P.⁵ He seems never to have married.

Pardoned as exor. of the will of his uncle Sir Thomas Echingham, 1446; and again in 1452 as of "Roughy", Sussex, esq.; J.P. Sussex, of the quorum, 23 July 1453 to Nov. 1458; on Sussex comns. from 1453, including the Lancastrian ones of 1459-60. Lord Hoo died in Feb. 1455, leaving three infant co-heiresses and £20 a year to his half-bro. Thomas.⁶ He joined in founding the guild at Horsham, Nov. 1457.

After the Yorkist success at Northampton Hoo seems to have stayed on with the captured King, then in Warwick's charge. At the battle of St. Albans, 17 Feb. 1461, Hoo, described as "skilled in law and having sufficient eloquence", being squire in attendance on Henry VI that day, seeing that Warwick's host had fled and that he and the King were abandoned, went to the Earl of Northumberland in Margaret's army "with friendly message" to guide them to the King.⁷ On that occasion Lord Bonville and Kyriel (*q.v.*) were taken also; these were beheaded, Hoo survived. Being again returned to Parliament in 1467, he was restored to the bench 16 Feb. 1468, and pardoned 12 Dec. 1468;⁸ removed from the bench by the Readeption govt. he was reinstated 12 June 1471 and remained on under Richard III, sat on all his Sussex comns.; pardoned 12 June 1484.⁹ He was

¹ *Ex inf.* A. H. W. Fynmore.

² *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

³ Tavistock Vestry Books, *per* J. J. Alexander. ⁴ Tavistock Churchwarden's Accts., *ditto*.

⁵ *Sussex Arch. Colls.* viii. 110; *Comp. Peer.* vi. 561.

⁶ *Comp. Peer.* vi. 561-5.

⁷ J. Whethamstede, *Register*, i. 393.

⁸ Late of Bradeherst, late of Horsham, exor. of the will of Thomas Echingham knt., *alias* exor. of the will of Jane Branchesle, *alias* exor. of the will of Sir Thomas Hoo, *alias* late of Beccles, Suffolk, late of Burgherssh (Burwash), Sussex, late of Southwark, late of Luton, late of Hoo, Beds. (m.11).

⁹ The 1484 pardon adds to his wealth of aliases—*alias* of Roughy, and *alias* of Robertsbride, Sussex (m.31).

removed from the Bench after Bosworth but restored 2 Oct. 1486; a feoffee for the Marquess of Dorset in Glos., Aug. 1486; pardoned, with all his *aliases*, 10 Oct. 1486 (m.18).

D. 8 Oct. (or 23 Nov. according to the Sussex inquest) 1486. As regards his Sussex lands, his heir was Anne, wife of Geoffrey Boleyn, da. of his half-brother Lord Hoo; but in Herts., the co-heiresses and descendants of his father's sister, Margaret who had *m.* Thomas St. Clair.

HOOD, WALTER (1400-60); of Leominster, gent. M.P. Leominster 1431, 1433, 1453-4.

That Thomas, John and Walter Hood were all M.P.s for Leominster 1419 to 1433 shows them all relations and probable burgesses. John and Thomas Hood were also electors in 1449 (2). Walter Hood "of Leominster" gent. was a main-pernor in 1454.

HOOD, WILLIAM; of Leominster, chapman, mercer and vintner. M.P. Leominster 1460-1.

Many of the Hood family had been M.P.s for Leominster before him. Pardoned, 16 Nov. 1452, "William Hood of Leominster, chapman" (m.9); and again 20 June 1458, "of Leominster, mercer, *alias* vintner" (m.15). Elector, Leominster, 1453, when Walter Hood was elected.

HOOKE (HOKE), JOHN (1440-93); of Exeter. M.P. Exeter (? 1470-1),¹ (? 1483 June),² 1484, 1485-6, 1491-2.

S. of John Vowell *alias* Hooker by Margery da. and h. of Roger Bolter of Bolterscombe; *m.* (1) Alice, widow of John Cole of Topsham, and (2) Alice da. and h. of Richard Drewell (*q.v.*), by whom he had Christopher, and Robert Hooker M.P. Exeter 1534-6, the father of the historian.

Bailiff of Exeter 1484-5; senior bailiff or receiver 1487-8; mayor 1490-1, presumably returning himself as a burgess to Parlt. He was dead by 25 Oct. 1496.²

HOPTON, ROBERT (1420-80); of Suffolk. M.P. Wallingford 1449-50, 1467-8.

A Suffolk elector in 1453 and on comns. in Suffolk, Nov. 1460 and 1472. John and William Hopton were Suffolk electors in 1447, and may indicate his parentage.

HOPTON, ROGER (1440-95); of Rothwell and Ackworth, Yorks., esq. Yeoman and Usher of the Household 1469-88; const. of Bamborough 1489. M.P. Chippenham 1478, (? 1483 Jan.), (Wilts. co. or boro. 1484).

Perhaps s. of John Hopton a Yorks. elector, 1442.

He was made yeoman of the Crown and granted 6*d.* a day out of the abbey of Winchcombe, Glos., 10 May 1469—exempted from resumption 1473, and renewed

¹ According to his g.s. the historian, John Hooker "sat in Parliament under three Kings," which, if true, would make him M.P. 1484 and 1483 June—or, if June 1483 cannot be called sitting, 1470-1, which is quite as likely.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1496), 74.

in 1476 and 1484. He was granted the keepership of Rothwell Haigh 1471, and of Ackworth park, 1475;¹ collr. of the 10th in Yorks., Nov. 1474; on comns. in West Riding 1474 to 1488, including those on Clarence's lands, 16 Mar. 1478, and the arrays of 1484, but not the subsidy comns. of 1483 or 1484. He continued in office under Henry VII; "Rothwellhagh" and Ackworth parks were exempted from resumption, 1485;² and, "as the manor place of Rothwell is in ruins our trusty squire Roger Hopton", gent. usher of the Chamber, is to have it by copy of court roll on the understanding that he rebuilds it, 12 Mar. 1488.³ Probably in lieu of his 6*d.* a day he got 20 marks a year out of Hanworth, Forncett, etc., Norfolk—for good service—6 May 1488.⁴ He and Sir John Turberville took the muster for the expedition to Spain, Feb. 1488, and he was apptd. constable of Bamborough, 30 July 1489. The grants of 1471 and 1475 were extended on 23 Oct. 1490, so as to include his sons Thomas and William.⁵ On 4 Mar. 1491 he was granted the office of Controller of Works, with wages out of Norfolk issues.⁶

HORDE, JOHN (1420-98); of Shrewsbury and Walford, Salop. Feodary of Wallingford 1461-9; steward of Lord Strange, 1467; lawyer. M.P. Shrewsbury 1445-6 "clerk",⁷ 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1455-6, 1467-8; Bridgnorth 1470-1; Shrewsbury and Bridgnorth 1472-5.

S. of William Horde of Shrewsbury, dead 1437, by Catherine who *rem.* Richard Burleigh.⁸

Probably town clerk of Shrewsbury in 1445;⁹ bailiff of Shrewsbury 1449, 1456 and 1477-8. In 1460 he was pardoned as "*alias* Under-Warden of the Armoury" (m.5). In June 1461 the Yorkist govt. made John Horde chief bailiff and feodary of the Honour of Wallingford, with fees out of Shrewsbury, and he moved to that neighbourhood. The Pardon Roll, 20 July 1462, describes him as "of Shrewsbury esq., late bailiff of Henry VI in Shrewsbury, *alias* of Henley-on-Thames, Oxon." (m.18). He took service with the Stanley family, for when pardoned for outlawry in 1467 it is with the description "late of Uxbridge, Mdsx., gent., steward of the household of (John), lord Strange" (of Knockin, Salop, *d.* 1477). Being of Henley-on-Thames he sat on the comns. dealing with the swans on the Thames 1463 and 1469; eschr., Salop, 1467-8; elector, Salop, 1472; pardoned under Richard III as "late of Bridgnorth, *alias* late of London, gent."

His last appearance is on the comn. to appoint the collrs. of subsidy in Salop in Jan. 1488. Though 68 at the time, he was made J.P. Salop, 17 Nov. 1485 till death shortly before 26 June 1498.⁸

¹ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 519.

² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 374.

³ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 276, 279.

⁴ *ibid.* ii. 301.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1491), 338.

⁶ The Bailiff Accts. record payment to "John Horde, *clericus*, Burgess at the Parliament."

⁷ In 1438 John, s. of Wm. Horde, sued Richard Burleigh and Catherine his wife, late wife of William Horde, for forgery of a testament and deed concerning the lands of the said William in Shrewsbury and Salop (*Early Chan. Proc.* 9/296). Catherine, widow of William Horde of Shrewsbury, was pardoned 14 July 1437 (m.8).

⁸ Fine Roll, 13 Hen. VII (m.3). Writ *diem clausit extremum*.

HORDE, THOMAS (1420-98); of Horde Park, Bridgnorth. Lawyer. M.P. Bridgnorth 1442, 1449-50; SALOP 1455-6, 1459, 1467-8,¹ (? 1470-1), 1472-5. Lancastrian.

Eldest s. and h. of Richard Horde of the same M.P. by the heiress of John Perell; *m.* Joyce, da. and coh. of Sir John Stapleton.

Manucaptor for the Bridgnorth M.P.s, 1450; bailiff of the town and liberty of Bridgnorth, Apr. 1451;² elector, Salop, 1449 (1) and 1453, when he was not elected; J.P. Salop, 16 July 1453 to 1 Sept. 1460, 13 July 1461 to 20 July 1471, 24 Feb. 1473 till sheriff Dec. 1483, and 7 Nov. 1485 to 12 Oct. 1496; on comns., Salop, 1453 to 1485, including gaol delivery and *oyer*, as well as the subsidy comns. of 27 Apr. 1483 and 21 Jan. 1488; sheriff of Salop 1456-7, and 6 Nov. 1470 till superseded at the Yorkist restoration; also in 1483-4 and 1487-8 (when given £100 reward); eschr., Salop, 1479 to 1481.

The Shrewsbury corporation gave a breakfast to him and Thomas Acton (*q.v.*) for their good counsel touching the return of a precept to the Duke of York, directed to the Bailiffs, 1457; and they paid the expenses of Horde and William Lyster, riding to the lord duke at Ludlow to get the said precept dissolved. His removals from the bench in Sept. 1460, in 1471, his seat in the 1459 Parlt., his comns., all show that he was a strong Lancastrian, though he escaped attainder. He evidently rallied to Richard III, and fitted in with the new change in Aug. 1485. Henry VII passed through Shrewsbury on his way to Bosworth and had trouble with the mayor, who made difficulties about his passing; but immediately after Bosworth, Thomas Horde of Bridgnorth, either the M.P. or some other, was made controller of the coinage of tin in Devon and Cornwall and keeper of Lostwithiel gaol "for manifold services to us at his own cost." In Feb. 1486 his only pardon describes Thomas Horde as of Bridgnorth, esq., *alias* late sheriff, *alias* late escheator, *alias* late assignee of Letters Patent of Edward IV, *alias* late s. and h. of Richard Horde (m.5).

D. shortly before 26 June 1498, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the Salop eschr.³ One of his das. *m.* Sir Thomas Cornwall; another *m.* Thomas Acton, his fellow M.P. in 1459. In a MS. of the Cornwall family Thomas Horde is described as Attorney General to Henry VII, and as Sir Thomas Cornwall was M.P. for Salop in 1529, this is further evidence of there having been a younger Thomas Horde from whom we have been unable to distinguish the M.P. The will of Thomas Horde of Bridgnorth, pr. 1500, said to be preserved at Canterbury, should clear up the point but cannot be found.

HORE see HOARE.

HOREWODE (HOVEWODE), THOMAS (1405-70); of Wells, merchant. M.P. Wells 1433, 1442, 1445-6.

S. of John Horewode of Wells, M.P. (*d.* 1417).⁴

Admitted freeman of Wells, 1425; Thomas Horewode of Wells complained in May 1436 that he had freighted the *St. Nunne* in Brittany with wine and merchandise

¹ Fine Roll, 8 Edw. IV (m.19).

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 118.

³ Fine Roll, 13 Hen. VII (m.3); the same day a similar writ was issued for an inquest on John Horde (*q.v.*).

⁴ Will in P.C.C., 37 Marche.

under Letters of safe conduct and, while waiting for a wind in St. Paul de Lyon, Devon men had taken and brought it to Plymouth, where the ship and goods were detained. Frequently a pledge for other freemen down to 1467, when he was manucaptor for the Wells M.P.s; bailiff, Sept. 1451; pardoned, 12 Feb. 1469.¹

HOREWOOD, WILLIAM (1446-1500); of Lynn, fishmonger. M.P. Lynn 1495.

Admtd. to his freedom, being fishmonger, 1466/7.² But of him we hear no more till another William Horwood, perchance his son, was admitted freeman 1499/1500.

HORNE, GERVASE (1445-93); of Appledore, Kent, esq. Lawyer. M.P. Barnstaple 1472-5; Romney 1483 (Jan.).

Perhaps s. of a Gervase Horne senior, for a "younger" was among the followers of Clarence and Warwick to be arrested 25 Apr. 1470. He was a Kent elector when elected for Barnstaple—in his absence no doubt, and by the influence of Sir Thomas St. Leger (*q.v.*). Probably a lawyer, because Romney pays for expenses incurred on "Master" Gervase Horne, 1476/7.³ Gervase Horne esq., "born at Apeldore," was made free of Romney and his contribution forgiven him, 3 Apr. 1478.³ He would seem to be arranging already for his seat in the next Parliament. At that next Parlt.—Jan./Feb. 1483—Romney paid Horne's expenses, not in going and returning, but for two breakfasts given to the lords and other gentlemen of the House of Parliament, on the part of our town, 20s.⁴ He occurs as a feoffee for Nicholas Wutton in Kent, 1480;⁵ bailiff of Romney 1481;⁶ pardoned 1484;⁷ was at Appledore on the matter of Romney harbour, 1488.⁸

D. just before 21 July 1493, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the Kent eschr.⁹ He died suspected of high treason; for, in the Parlt. of 1495, William Horne, aged 13, s. and h. of Gervase Horne of Appledore esq. (who had been accused of high treason and pardoned by the King), petitions that whoever has his custody may have his father's lands without prejudice to the dower of Joyce late wife of Gervase.¹⁰ But this William seems to have died before 1504 without issue, for another Gervase Horne (1480-1515) son of Henry Horne died seised of Appledore.¹¹

HORNE, ROBERT (1420-61); of Horne's place, Appledore, Kent.¹² Soldier; butler of Chichester 1460-1. M.P. KENT 1460-1. Yorkist.

S. of Henry, Richard or Thomas Horne, but *not* s. of Robert Horne, alderman of London; *m.* Isabel, who survived him with 3 infant das.

¹ Of Wells, merchant. ² Lynn Hall Books. ³ *Hist. MSS. Com.* v. p. 546. ⁴ *ibid.* p. 547.

⁵ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 694. ⁶ *Ex inf.* Miss Roper. ⁷ Of Appledore esq. (m.12).

⁸ *Hist. MSS. Com.* v. 548. ⁹ Fine Roll, 8 Hen. VII (m.3). ¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Roll* (1495), 352.

¹¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 973; *Inq. p.m.* 7 Hen. VIII, Vol. 3, No. 13. It is impossible to reconcile with these inquests the pedigree given in *Arch. Cant.* xiv. 366, where the M.P. is made son of Henry Horne and elder bro. of Robert Horne (*q.v.*). The pedigree is perhaps correct in giving him another yr. bro. Henry.

¹² *Arch. Cant.* xiv. 366; *cf.* Gervase Horne.

On all Kent comns. from 1449 to May 1460; J.P. Kent, 24 Dec. 1450 to 2 Dec. 1458, 17 Nov. 1460 till death; sheriff, Kent, 1451-2. He had probably fought in France, and, with Scott and Fogge, was instructed by the Council to put down Cade's rebellion. For this they borrowed 500 marks, which debt was satisfied in 1456 by giving them 2 marks rebate of duty on 400 sacks of wool exported.¹ Pardoned, 24 Nov. 1455, "of Appledore esq., *alias* gent." (m.13); and again 8 Jan. 1459, "esq., late sheriff of Kent, J.P. Kent" (m.35). Feoffee for Sir John Cheyne of Sheppey M.P. in 1458.

"Three famous captains"—Scott, Horne and Fogge—held Canterbury; the three Earls reached Canterbury from Sandwich, 26 June 1460, and the captains came out to parley. They soon reached an understanding, admitted the Yorkists, and marched up to London and Northampton with them. Horne got elected for Kent and was rewarded with the butlership of Chichester, 12 Dec. 1460. The King, *i.e.* Warwick, wrote instructing him to raise forces to resist Margaret's Army of the North, 28 Jan. 1461. Horne was probably at the second battle of St. Albans and was certainly slain at Towton, 29 Mar. 1461.² On 30 Aug. 1461 his widow Isabel had a grant of 40 marks a year out of Milton by Sittingbourne in aid of herself and three *das*. His surviving comrades, Scott and Fogge, provided for his soul and for all others of the county of Kent (including Sir Thomas Kyriell M.P. and, later, Thomas Colt M.P.), "slain for the King's right at Northampton, St. Albans and Shirebourne" (Towton). In 1466 Mr. Thomas Kent and Robert Kent founded a perpetual chantry at Headcorn to pray for the same persons.³

HORTON, RICHARD. M.P. Wootton Bassett 1449-50.

Probably a Horton of Iford near Bradford-on-Avon;⁴ but a Richard Horton was an attorney in a Leicestershire suit in 1450.⁵

HOSEAR *alias* HOWELS, LAURENCE (1450-1501); of Shrewsbury. M.P. Shrewsbury 1491-2, 1495, 1497.⁶

S. of Hugh Pymley *alias* Dycher of Shrewsbury, draper and bailiff of Shrewsbury *alias* Hugh Hosier.⁷

He was bailiff of Shrewsbury 1494, 1498;⁸ on the subsidy comn. for Shrewsbury, apptd. by Parlt. 1496.⁸ D. shortly before 24 Nov. 1501 when the writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Salop for Lawrence Hosyer *alias* Howels.⁹ He is buried on the west side of St. Mary's church.⁷

HOST, RICHARD (1420-70); ald. of Norwich, merchant. M.P. Norwich 1467-8.

M. Ellen, who remarried by 1472 Walter Ingham.¹⁰

Sheriff of Norwich 1462-3, never mayor. In 1467/72 Edward Cutler, ald. of Norwich, and other exors. of Richard Host, late alderman of Norwich, and Walter

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1456), 330.

² *Paston Letters*, ii. 5.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1466), 516.

⁴ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

⁵ *Plea Rolls*, Easter 28 Hen. VI.

⁶ Edw. Edward's *Parliamentary Elections for the Borough of Shrewsbury*.

⁷ *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 518.

⁹ *Fine Roll*, 17 Hen. VII (m.2).

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/21.

Ingham and Ellen his wife, late wife and exix. of Richard, sued Hoste's factor in Holland for neglecting to collect a bill in Holland until a year and a day since the death of the debtor.¹ His son Robert Host occurs in 1483.²

HOTHAM, RALPH (1440-85); cadet of Scarborough. M.P. Scarboro' 1472-5; NORTHUMBERLAND 1478.

Third s. of Sir John Hotham (*d.* 1461) of Scarborough near Beverley, Yorks., by Elizabeth da. of Sir William Eure.³

A comnr. in 1474 *re* shipments of wool, hides, etc., in Northumberland;⁴ eschr. there 1474-83,⁵ and returned thence to Parlt. 1478 while an elector in Yorks. One must suppose that no Northumbrian wished to go to Parlt. in 1478, or that an alien eschr. was preferred by sheriff or by the Crown. He was sued in 1479 by Edward Shaa, ald. of London, for a debt of 20 marks, and there described as late of Scarborough.⁶ By deeds dated 11 May 1475 and 10 Apr. 1476 he was apptd. a trustee to Henry Percy, earl of Northumberland, under whom his father and elder bro. had both been killed at Towton.⁷ A Ralph Hotham, J.P. for Cambridge town 1470-1, may be the same man.

HOTOFT, RICHARD (1410-70/2); of Humberstone and Thurmaston, Leics.; lawyer. M.P. LEICESTERSHIRE ? 1437, 1439-40, 1445-6, 1447; WARWICKSHIRE 1449 (1); LEICESTERSHIRE 1449-50; Warwick boro' 1453-4, 1455-6. Lancastrian.

S. of Richard Hotoft the elder, M.P.⁸ (living 1437).

Eschr. Leics. 1434-5; he was on many comns., including all the Lancastrian ones, from 1439 to Oct. 1470 during the Readeption; bailiff of Leicester (deputies also being appointed) 1441-2, 1443-5, 1450-1, 1451-61;⁹ pardoned with Jane his wife, 1446, "of Humberston";¹⁰ J.P. Leics., of the quorum, 4 Jan. 1445 to 22 Nov. 1458, and 18 Dec. to 16 July 1461. Clerk to the Chamberlain of the Exchequer 1441;¹¹ in 1449, 1453, 1455, etc., pardons were issued to various persons for not appearing to answer Richard Hotoft in pleas of trespass in the King's Court in Leics.; J.P. Warw., 16 Dec. 1460 to 1461; apportioner of subsidy in Leics. 1463;¹² J.P. Rutland, 10 Feb. 1464 to 23 Apr. 1470.

He was dead by 1472, when Thomas, bro. of Richard Hotoft, sued Richard Hewett and William Greneham for houses, etc., in Illington, Leics.¹³

HOUGHTON, RICHARD (1420-71); yeoman of Crown 1449-60; bailiff of Wallingford 1455-60; customer of Plymouth 1470-1. M.P. Wallingford 1459. Lancastrian.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 45/221.

² *ibid.*

³ *Northumberland Co. Hist.* xii. 495.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1474), 490.

⁵ *ibid.* (1482), 318.

⁶ De Banco Rolls, Hilary, 19 Edw. IV.

⁷ Saltmarshe, *Hist. and Cart. of the Hothams*.

⁸ *Geneal. N.S.* xx. 31.

⁹ Bateson, *Leicester*, 541.

¹⁰ The will, dat. 1500, of Thomas Keeble, M.P., King's Serjt.-at-law, of Humberston, recites that his kind cousin, Richard Hotoft, had left him lands in Stretton, etc., Leics. and that Richard Hotoft had founded a chantry at Humberston, which Thomas Keeble further endowed.

¹¹ Issue Rolls, Feb. and July 1441.

¹² Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

¹³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 40/290.

Apptd. Swanherd of Thames, to hold by self or deputy at 4*d.* a day, Feb. 1443 ; office surrendered 1444 ; exempted from resumption as yeoman of the Crown 1449/50 ;¹ still one of the 23 Yeomen in 1454.² He was called "late of New Windsor" when sued for debt in 1454 ; bailiff of Wallingford, 2 Apr. 1455, and consequently elected for that boro' 1459 ; grant surrendered 15 Nov. 1460. He appeared once more under the Readeption government, when made controller of customs, etc., in Plymouth and Fowey, 1470.

HOUTON (HOWDEN), GEORGE (1420-70) ; of Oldbury, Glos., and Marston-Maisey, Wilts. Bailiff of the Abbot of Cirencester ; farmer of the ulnage, etc. ; lawyer. M.P. Wilton 1447 ; Marlborough 1449 (1) ; Cricklade 1449-50 ; Calne 1450-1 ; Cricklade 1453-4. Lancastrian.

Admtd. to Lincoln's Inn as Hoton—being pardoned all his vacation and admitted to repasts at his own pleasure, for which he paid 20*s.* and shall pay to the Society 6*s.* 8*d.* and shall deliver a buck yearly in Trinity Term, 1454/5 ;³ again admtd. by special admission, Mich. 1457 ;⁴ apptd. during pleasure, as controller of the customs at Great Yarmouth, June 1455 ; as "of London, gent.", he was mainpernor for John Hall (*q.v.*) 1459.⁵

The full description of the man appears on the Pardon Roll, 12 Aug. 1462 :—"Geo. Houton, late of London, gent., *alias* late bailiff of the abbot of Cirencester, *alias* late farmer for Henry VI of the ulnage in Oxon. and Berks., *alias* late bailiff or feudatory of the Duchy of Lancaster in Oxon. and Berks., *alias* one of the farmers of Merston-Meysy, Wilts., *alias* of Oldbury, Glos." All this, with the exception of London and Oldbury, is repeated in the Pardon Roll, 20 Nov. 1468.⁶

HOVEWODE see HOREWODE.

HOWARD, Sir JOHN (1430-85) ;⁷ of Stoke Neyland, Suffolk (Lord Howard 1470 ; Duke of Norfolk 1483). King's Carver 1461-83 ; Treasurer of the Household and Keeper of the Wardrobe 1466-74 ; Steward of the Duchy 1483-5 ; Admiral of England 1483-5 ; Privy Councillor 1475-85. M.P. SUFFOLK 1449-50 ; NORFOLK 1455-6 ; SUFFOLK (? 1463-5), 1467-8. Sumnd. 1470-1, 1472-5, 1478, 1483, 1484. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Sir Robert Howard (*d.* 1436), by Margaret da. of Thomas Mowbray, duke of Norfolk (*d.* 1399), and cousin and ult. h. of John Mowbray, duke of Norfolk, *d.* 1475 ; *m.* (1) Catherine (*d.* 1452) da. of William, lord Moleyns, and had his s. and h., Thomas (1452-1524), M.P. for Norfolk 1478 ; (2) Margaret (*d.* 1494) da. of Sir John Chedworth, widow of Ald. Wyfold and of John Norris (*q.v.*).⁸

Howard fought at and survived Châtillon, 17 July 1453. When he contested Norfolk in 1455 it was as York's nominee. J.P. Suffolk, 10 Dec. 1455 to 14 Jan. 1459, and 1461 onwards ; J.P. Norfolk, 14 Sept. 1452 to 23 July 1454, and 1461 onwards ; elector, Suffolk, 1450, 1459 ; on Suffolk comns.—chiefly Yorkist—from 1455.

He was kntd. after Towton, 29 Mar. 1461 ; made constable of Colchester and King's Carver, 1461 ; sheriff, 6 Mar. to 7 Nov. 1461 ; constable of Norwich 1462.

¹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 192.

² *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 224.

³ *Black Books of Lincoln's Inn*, 25.

⁴ *Admission Register, Lincoln's Inn*, 12.

⁵ *Fine Roll*, 37 Hen. VI (m.18).

⁶ *Pardon Roll*, 1462 (m.16) ; 1468 (m.13).

⁷ *c.* 1430 is the date given in *Dict. Nat. Biog.* and *G.E.C.'s Peerage*.

⁸ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. John Howard—wrong however as to Norris of Bray.

In 1462, with Fauconberg and Clinton, he captured the Isle of Rhé ; besieged and took Warkworth Castle 1463 ; reduced the Welsh castles (except Harlech) in 1464 ; Vice-Admiral for Norfolk 1466 ; and he was sent as envoy to France. Treasurer of the Household and keeper of the wardrobe 1466-74.¹ He was pardoned, 12 Aug. 1468, " of Stoke next Neyland, Suffolk." Warwick tried to get his support for the Readeption govt. by summoning him to Parlt. as Lord Howard in 1470. But on Edward's " arrival " Howard proclaimed him King in Norfolk and Suffolk, and he probably fought at Barnet, perhaps at Tewkesbury. Framlingham was from 1475 his castle and residence in Norfolk. He was made Deputy Governor of Calais in June 1471 ; one of the King's Council in France during the expedition of 1475 ; one of those magnates whom Louis XI pensioned and entertained after Pécquigny. In 1483 he adhered to Richard, duke of Gloucester, and was made Steward of the Duchy of Lancaster and Privy Councillor, 13 May 1483. On 28 June 1483 he was rewarded with the dukedom of Norfolk, and, in July, Admiral of England. He commanded the vanguard and was slain at Bosworth.

It is strange that this man, the greatest of the Howards, the last of the feudal magnates of England, should not have been knighted till he was 31, or raised to the peerage till he was 45. He lived in a bad time, but even the Pastons had little against Jock of Norfolk ; and that he adhered to Richard and remained by him to the end is not so much a slur on Howard, as almost the only good thing that can be said for Richard III.²

HOWARD, Hon. Sir THOMAS (1452-1524) ;³ of Ashwellthorpe, K.G. (Earl of Surrey 1483) (Duke of Norfolk 1514), Squire of the Body 1473-8 ; P.C. and steward of Household 1483 ; Treasurer 1501-22 ; Earl Marshal 1510-24. M.P. NORFOLK 1478, (? 1483 (Jan.), ? 1483 (June)). Sumnd. 1484, (? 1489-90), 1491-2, 1495, 1497, 1504, 1510, 1512, 1515, 1523.

Only s. of Sir John Howard (*q.v.*) (1430-85), lord Howard and duke of Norfolk, by Catherine da. of William, lord Moleyns ; *m.* (1) 30 Apr. 1472, Elizabeth (*d.* 1507) widow of Sir Humphrey Bourchier and da. and h. of Sir Frederick Tilney, Ashwellthorpe, Norf., by whom he had Thomas, the third Duke ; (2) 17 Aug. 1497, Agnes da. of Sir Philip Tilney of Boston, Lincs., by whom he had the first Lord Howard of Effingham.

When Edward IV fled to Holland in Sept. 1470, Howard took sanctuary at Colchester ; on Edward's return he joined him and fought at Barnet. Squire of the Body to Edward IV by 1473 ; accompanied the King to France 1475. From 1475 onwards he lived at his wife's house at Ashwellthorpe ; J.P. Norf., 26 May 1476 onwards ; sheriff, Norf. and Suff., 1476-7 ; kntd., 18 Jan. 1478, after his election to Parlt. He probably sat in the 1483 (Jan.) Parlt. also. In 1483, after the extinction of direct Mowbray heirs, Richard made his father Duke of Norfolk, and Sir Thomas Earl of Surrey. He was also then made K.G., P.C. and steward of the Household. His father was killed at Bosworth Field, and Surrey taken prisoner. Attainted and lodged in the Tower till Jan. 1489. In May of that year he put down the rising in Yorks. Warden of the East March towards Scotland, 1489. P.C. and Treasurer of England, June 1501 till Dec. 1522. One of the exors.

¹ Issue Roll, 8 Edw. IV, No. 840, *et seq.*

² See note ⁸ on p. 473.

³ *Dict. Nat. Biog.* Thomas Howard ; *G.E.C. Comp. Peer.* N-R.

of Henry VII ; restored to some of his lands and boroughs, 1509/10 ; created Earl Marshal for life, July 1510. He commanded the English army at Flodden, 9 Sept. 1513, and was created Duke of Norfolk, 1 Feb. 1514. He was present at the Parlt. of 1523, but *d.* at Framlingham castle, 21 May 1524. The Dukedom of Norfolk remains in his male issue to this day.

The Dict. Nat. Biog. and *G.E.C.'s Peerage* will have it that he was born in 1443.¹ This is probably wrong by 10 years—*cf.* the dates of his appt. as Squire of the Body, his knighthood and his first sitting in Parlt. Nor would a man of 70 command and win at Flodden, 1513 ; nor would he even reach 70 if his father had begotten him at the age of 12 !

HOWDEN see HOUTON.

HOWELL, WILLIAM (1415-65) ; of Bridgwater, inn-keeper. M.P. Bridgwater 1450-1.

An inn-keeper of Bridgwater, who occurs repeatedly in Bridgwater deeds 1444-59. Apparently he was lord's provost of Bridgwater in 1453. The same year he was pardoned outlawry for not appearing ; and in 1454 (sic !) 40s. was paid to William Howell by the Bridgwater corporation as a burgess in Parliament at Westminster.² Steward of the Gild merchant 1457 ; and 10s. was paid to him for riding to London in 1458.

He may be the William Howell who was sheriff of Bristol 1454, an elector there 1455 and 1460, described as a merchant of Bristol in 1460. But this is improbable, Howell being a common name on the Welsh borders.

HOWELS see HOSEAR, LAURENCE.

HOWLOT, THOMAS (1420-80) ; of Romney, Canterbury and Westminster ; scrivener and cordwainer. M.P. Romney 1459, 1461-2.

Pardoned, 22 July 1468, Thomas Houghlot of Canterbury, cordwainer and scrivener, *alias* late of Westminster, scrivener (m.29). But scriveners must have been closely related to lawyer. For in 1466 Romney paid him for going to Lydd for a conference with men of the March ; and in 1468 for going to Appledore to converse with William Pywithe as to making a harbour.³

HOWTON (HOUGHTON), RICHARD (1440-95) ; of Worcester. M.P. Worcester city 1472-5.

M. the widow of John Deakin who had lands in Frisby, Leics. ;⁴ elector of Worcester, electing himself, 1472 ; bailiff of Worcester 1473, 1482, 1486. On 1 Oct. 1473 Richard Houton of Worcester, gent., and John Grafton of the same, gent. (both being then M.P.s for Worcester city), were mainpernors for Edmund Watton as keeper of Addington manor, Kent.⁵

HUDDSFIELD, Sir WILLIAM (1435-99) ; of Shillingford. King's Attorney 1477-83 ; recorder of Exeter 1479. M.P. DEVONSHIRE 1472-5 ; summoned by writ (? 1478), 1483 Jan. ; M.P. DEVONSHIRE (? 1484), 1485-6, 1487.

¹ See note ³ on p. 474.

² Bridgwater C.D. 1661, *per* C. Bruce Dilks.

³ *Hist. MSS. Com.* v. Romney MSS. p. 545.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 58/172.

⁵ Fine Roll, 13 Edw. IV (m. 4).

S. of William Huddesfield and Alice, da. of John Gould of Seaborough, Som. ; *m.* (1) Elizabeth, (2) by 1477 Katherine, widow of Thomas Rogers M.P., serjt.-at-law (*q.v.*) ; she survived him and was pardoned 1509.¹

Admtd. Lincoln's Inn 1456, master of the revels 1457, butler 1460, pensioner 1461, marshal 1462,² governor 1464-6, 1469-76, 1478-83, lent reader 1468-9, 1475-6 ;³ feoffee for William Oliver of Bridport (*q.v.*) 1463 ; on all Devon. comns. from 1465, including those of the Readeption, all those of 1483-4, and the subsidy comn. of Jan. 1488 ; J.P. Devon, 12 July 1468 to 1471, and 10 May 1472 to Dec. 1483, and 14 Feb. 1484 till death ; a feoffee for Henry Pomeroy in Devon, 1476. William Rogers granted to him and his wife Katherine the reversion of Collingbourne, Wilts., in 1479. Apptd. King's Attorney for life, 22 May 1477 ; and perhaps summoned to the 1478 Parlt. ; recorder of Exeter from 1479. There is no evidence that he remained Att.-Gen. under Richard III. He was not summoned again to Parlt. after Edward's death, but probably he is the " John " Huddesfield made serjt.-at-law, Sept. 1485 ; and, as he was kntd. between 28 Mar. 1486 and 7 Feb. 1487, he obviously gained by the arrival of the Tudors. Here is a man undoubtedly summoned to Parliament in 1483, yet elected to the Commons in 1485 and 1487.

D. 23 June 1499, when Katherine (21), wife of Sir Edmund Carew, and Elizabeth (17) were his das. and coh. ; lands, Devon. Will, dat. 14 June 1497, pr. 6 July 1499. His feoffees were John Crocker knt. (*q.v.*), Thomas Coterell (*q.v.*), John Kyrton (*q.v.*), John Byconel knt. (*q.v.*), Roger Fitz (*q.v.*) and Nicholas Prous.⁴

HUDLESTON, HENRY ; Cadet of Millom. M.P. CUMBERLAND 1491-2.

The name is given as " Humphrey " on the list. No doubt it should be Henry, who was eschr. of Cumberland Nov.-Dec. 1489,⁵ and as such elected or nominated to Parliament.

HUDLESTON, Sir JOHN (1425-92) ; of Millom. Squire of the Body 1460-1 ; Porter of Newcastle 1460-4 ; Constable of Cockermouth 1461-85.

M.P. CUMBERLAND 1467-8 ; (? 1484).

S. and h. of Sir Richard Hudleston of same, recently dead, Aug. 1448 ; *m.* Mary 3rd da. and coh. of " Sir " Henry Fenwick of Fenwick, Nhd.⁶

In Aug. 1448 his cousin released to John " son of Sir Richard de Hodilston, lately deceased," the manor of Millom.⁷ J.P. Cumbd., 16 June 1453 to 9 Dec. 1459, 20 Nov. 1461 to 10 Nov. 1475, 24 Mar. 1487 till death. Sheriff, Cumbd., 1454-5, 1463-4, 1468-9, 1472-3 ; on comn. Lancs. 1457 ; comns. Cumbd., 1460-2 and 1466, 1480. Pardoned, 27 Jan. 1459, " of Millom, esq., s. and h. of Richard Hudleston, knight., *alias* late sheriff of Cumbd." (m.44) ; and on 10 Dec. 1459

¹ Pardon Roll, 1509, Kath. Huddesfield of Shillingford and Exeter, widow and exix. of Wm. Huddesfield knt., *alias* Kath. Rogers, late wife of Thos. Rogers (*q.v.*) late of Bradford, Wilts., serjt.-at-law (*L. & P. Hen. VIII.*, 438 (3 m.18)).

² He was allowed two clerks at 14*d.* a week.

³ *Black Books of Lincoln's Inn.*

⁴ To be bur. where he dies. Bequest to parson of Bridport 6*s.* 8*d.*, to church there 13*s.* 4*d.*, and to Dittisham church. 1,000 marks to da. Elizabeth for her marriage, but if she die 300 marks to be divided among children of his da. Dame Katherine Carew. Bequests to " son " Sir Edmund Carew. Masses for souls of Elizabeth, late his w., for William and Alice his father and mother. Exors. :-w. Kateryne, da. Elizabeth, and Richard Alder (P.C.C., 37 Horne).

⁵ Fine Roll, 5 Hen. VII (m.17).

⁶ *Arch. Ael.* XXXV. vi. 80.

⁷ Dodsworth MSS. xii, f. 1176.

he was pardoned all treasons, having probably been with the Nevills at Blore Heath. The Yorkists pardoned him, 18 Nov. 1460, "of Mylham, esq., one of the mainpernors of Thomas Harrington," and he was already Squire of the Body when made Porter of Newcastle with 2s. a day, 20 Nov. 1460. Knighted between 20 July and 13 Nov. 1461. He was granted a 40 marks pension out of Richard Kyrkeby's lands, and £20 a year out of Clifford's forfeited manor of Skelton, Dec. 1461, and Edward IV made him lieut. of the lordship and constable of the castle of Cockermouth, worth £20 a year as lieut. and £10 a year as constable. The portership of Newcastle was transferred in 1464 to John Wood (*q.v.*) and Hudleston was compensated with 50 marks a year.¹ He was one of those sent to negotiate with the Scots at Lochmaben in June 1464.

In Apr. 1470 his sons William and Thomas were proscribed as being out with Warwick, but after the troubles Sir John was granted the keeping of Egremont.² His pensions were exempted in 1473, and again, in respect of payment from the customs, in 1483 (1).³ Richard III made him parker of Much Walden, Essex, and a conservator of the peace with Scotland.⁴ He was also one of Richard's feoffees in Norfolk. He is one more example of north country support for Richard III. In July 1486 a precept was issued to the sheriffs of Yorks., Nhd. and Cumbd. to proclaim Hudleston and others "who on account of their rebellion keep themselves in heydn and secret places and have destroyed divers of the King's letters and privy seals," commanding them to appear before the King. This was the rebellion of Humphrey Stafford of Grafton. Next month he got a general pardon, and comnrs. are to take surety for his good behaviour.

D. 6 Nov. 1492; when Richard, aged 17, s. of Sir Richard s. of Sir John, was his grandson and h. But his second s. Sir John Hudleston, M.P. Glos., ultimately succeeded to Millom.

HUDLESTON, Sir JOHN (1450-1512); const. of Sudeley castle 1478-86; usher of the Chamber 1482; Squire of the Body 1484-5; const. of Gloucester and knt. of the Body 1492-1512. M.P. GLOUCESTERSHIRE (? 1484), 1495.

Second s. of Sir John Hudleston of Millom, Cumbd. M.P. (1425-92) by Mary (Fenwick); *m.* Jane (*d.* 1519) widow of Christopher Harcourt (*d.* in or after 1477),⁵ and da. and coh. of Sir Miles Stapleton of Ingham, Norf.

At some time Constable of Monmouth;⁶ as King's servant he was made constable of Sudeley, 13 Mar. 1478;⁷ eschr. of Hants and Wilts., 1480-1; eschr. of Glos. and the Welsh march 1481-2; Usher of the Chamber when he was pardoned all arrears of account, 1482; sheriff Glos., 1483-4; J.P. Glos., 14 May till sheriff 5 Dec. 1483, 21 Feb. to 4 Oct. 1485; Sudeley was regranted to him as Squire of the Body 6 Mar. 1484; on the Glos. comns. of array, May and Dec. 1484, but thereafter only on the subsidy comn. of Jan. 1488. He was a Richardian partisan.

¹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 528.

² *Ex inf.* C. Roy Hudleston of Bristol.

³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. pp. 94, 201.

⁴ *Foedera*, V. iii. 153.

⁵ *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. 72, where Christopher Harcourt is shown to have been alive in 1477 (quoting *De Banco Rolls*, Trin. 17 Edw. IV, m.315) disproving the date of death (1474) given in the Harcourt pedigrees.

⁶ Harl. MSS. 433, f. 516, B.M.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1478), 93.

Henry VII pardoned him, 21 Feb. 1486, as of Gloucester; but he lost the constablership of Sudeley, 1486, and he was superseded as parker of Barnsley, Glos., 20 May 1488. Kntd. and restored to favour 1489; J.P. Glos., 13 July 1488 till death; on a Heref. comn. to raise forces against France, July 1491; called knt. of the Body when made constable of Gloucester castle, 23 Dec. 1492. He was at Court at the meeting with the French ambassador, 1492;¹ on a gaol delivery at Gloucester, 1497; made successively—Steward of Yardley, Worcs., Oct. 1499; sheriff of Wilts. 1499–1500; of Glos. 1500–1; steward of Barnsley Park, Glos., 1504; constable of Gloucester castle, Feb. 1505; constable of Sudeley castle, Sept. 1505. He was apptd. by Parlt. to the subsidy comn. for Glos. 1504; made sheriff, Cumbd. 1505–6; succeeded to Millom, Cumbd., etc., on the death of his nephew Richard Hudleston;² was issued with cloth for the funeral of Henry VII;³ and pardoned by Henry VIII, 1509/10.⁴ He remained knt. of the Body to Henry VIII, retained Yardley and the constablership of Gloucester,⁵ but resigned his offices at Sudeley, 1510.²

D. 1 Jan. 1512, probably in Hailes Abbey,⁶ when John, aged 24, was his s. and h.; lands—Glos., Lincs. and Cumbd., where he held nothing in chief but held Millom of the Earl of Wilts. Will, dat. 5 Nov. 1511, pr. 30 June 1512.⁷

HUGFORD (HIGFORD), JOHN (1425–85); of Emscote. Constable of Warwick 1478–85; Squire of the Body 1482–5. M.P. WARWICKSHIRE 1463–5, 1472–5.

S. and h. of Thomas Hugford of same M.P. (1394–1470) by Margaret (Dinge); m. Margaret da. of h. of Nicholas Methley of Marston by Wolston.⁸ With Margaret his wife he sued the exors. of Nicholas Methley for lands called le Grene, Berks., and Watford, N'hants.⁹

Pardoned, 23 Oct. 1455, "of Elmesquite, Warw., esq." (m.23). J.P. Glos., 5 Dec. 1460 to 30 June 1471; J.P. Warw., 14 July 1461 to Aug. 1485. Sheriff, Warw. and Leics., "younger", 1464–6 (pricked while M.P. Warw.); Warw. and Leics., 1472–3 (pricked while M.P.) and with £160 reward. Elector, Warw. 1467, Glos. 1472 (when elected for Warw. Co.), and 1478. On Warw. comns. from 1465

¹ Gairdner, ii. 291.

² *Ex inf.* C. Roy Hudleston.

³ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. p. 12.

⁴ *ibid.* i. 438, 3. m.9—of Sudeley, Glos., of Millom, Cumbd., of Boynton and Goderston, Yorks., and of London, knt.

⁵ *ibid.* i. 357 (42); *do.* p. 1083.

⁶ He and his wife were great benefactors to the Abbey, and she appears to have lived there in her widowhood (C. Roy Hudleston).

⁷ To be bur. Hailes Abbey, if God called him within precinct of the Monastery. "After I be buried, there be layde upon me a stone of marble, 1st a picture of myself sett therein and writing thereupon to make mencion of my departyng." £20 for building of Millom parish church. To Alice his da., wife of Thomas Beyll £20. To John s. and h. gown "furred with martrons." Exors. :—Robert Southwell knt., Jane Hudleston, "my wife," Mr. Urswyke parson of Hactony, and John Dalston. Lord Abbot of Hailes, supervisor.

Lands in north parts, got through his wife Jane, one of das. and heirs of late Miles Stapleton, knt. "the aforesaid John Hudleston having great remorse in his conscience that he had enticed the said good lady his wife to give the lands of her inheritance to his and her son John and to his heirs contrary to the old entails made by her noble ancestors, rightful inheritors of the same lands," he charged the said son upon his blessing that he should take no advantage of his mother's gift (21 Fetiplace, P.C.C.).

⁸ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 136.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/533.

including the Readeption comns. and all those of 1483-4; pardoned, 5 Feb. 1471, "of Merston next Wolston, Warw., esq., s. and h. of Thomas Hugford of Edmescote esq., *alias* late of Edmescote, Warw., esq.," and again 5 Feb. 1472.¹ Called "of Wolston esq." he was charged in May 1472 with having falsely accused John Parker of Coleshill of stealing saddle, bridle, sword, a hatte, gloves of worsted and cheverell and two bladders (probably water bottles).² In 1473 he had licence to endow St. Mary's, Stoneley; and in 1477 he was one of the Warwickshire J.P.s who, at Clarence's instigation, sentenced Ankaret Twynyho.³ In Dec. 1478 he was made constable of Warwick during the minority of Clarence's heir. In 1482 he was associated as feoffee with Catesby.⁴

By May 1482 he was a Squire of the Body and ordered to arrest John and William, bastards of Stafford. Richard III joined him with his son-in-law, Humphrey Beaufort, as constable of Warwick, 15 Nov. 1484, retained him as Squire of the Body, and as such he took out a pardon, 28 May 1484. But after Bosworth he died, 6 Dec. 1485; when his da. Alice, aged 18, Anne, aged 16, and John Beaufort, aged 2, son of his eldest da. Jane, were his heirs. Lands—Warw., and Shenston, Staffs. In Feb. 1487 John Walsh was apptd. receiver of his estates.

HUGFORD (HIGGEFORD), THOMAS (1394-1470); of Emscote in Warwick. Lawyer. M.P. WARWICKSHIRE 1425, 1429-30, 1435, 1442, 1455-6.

S. of Robert Higford of Co. Salop (M.P. for Co. Warwick 1403) by Joyce (*d.* 1415/6), da. and h. of Thomas Cumberley;⁵ *m.* Margaret, da. of Sir John Dunge,⁶ with whom he had Princethorpe.⁷ Their son John (1425-85) was M.P. also.

In May 1427 Thomas Higford of Emscote, Warw., gent., was a follower of Sir Hugh Cokesay in his attack on the Lady of Abergavenny. He was sworn to the peace in Warw. in May 1434; under-sheriff of Worcs. 1435-6; J.P. Warw., of the quorum, 26 Oct. 1433 to 22 Nov. 1458, and 16 Dec. 1460 till death; on many Warw. comns. from 1439⁸ to the comn. of array in Mar. 1470, including gaol delivery and *oyer et terminer*; apptd., under the Duke of York, as one of the keepers of the lands late of Richard, earl of Warwick, May 1439, and at the time of his death he was the sole surviving feoffee of the Earl; pardoned 1446, together with the other exors. of the Earl of Warwick, and also for himself, as of Emscote; as one of the exors. of the Earl of Warwick, he was, from 1439 to 1448, constable of Cardiff and receiver of Glamorgan; again under-sheriff of Worcs. from Mich. 1448 to 19 Aug. 1450; pardoned with Margaret his wife 1450;⁹ subsidy comnr. for Co. Warwick apptd. by Parlt. in July 1450; charged with having allowed felons to escape while he was under-sheriff of Worcester, Feb. 1453; eschr., Warw. and Leics., and pardoned again by the Yorkists on his election to Parlt., 26 Oct. 1455.⁹

D., judging from his comns., late in 1470.

¹ "Of Edmescote, Warw., junior, esq., *alias* s. and h. of Thomas Hugford, late of Wolston, Warw., *alias* late of Merston next Wolston, late sheriff of Warw. and Leics."

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1472), 331.

³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 174.

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 75.

⁵ Dugdale, *Warwickshire*, 278.

⁶ *Visitn. Warwickshire*.

⁷ Pardon Roll, 1450, as "of Edmescote esq., and Margaret his wife, *alias* late of Prynsthorp" (m.9).

⁸ By 1439 Margaret, da. of Thomas Higford, was the wife of John Dodyngsell.

⁹ Pardon Roll, 1455, as of "Edmescote" (m.21).

HUGFORD (HIGFORD), WILLIAM (1430-92); of Baginton, esq.
M.P. WARWICKSHIRE 1467-8, 1485-6.

Yr. s. of Thomas Hugford of Emscote, Warw., M.P. (1394-1470) by Margaret (Dinge), and yr. bro. of John Higford M.P. (1425-85). M. Alice or Jane da. of William Gradier of Princethorpe, Warw.

Eschr., Warw. and Leics., 1452-3; pardoned, 25 Jan. 1459, "esq., late of Elmescote" (m.31); J.P. Oxon., 28 Oct. 1462 to 12 July 1470; comn. Worcs., 1461. Had grant of Braunston, N'hants., forfeited by Lord Roos, 12 Mar. 1466—exempted 1467-8, when he was in Parlt.,¹ but not in 1473. Pardoned, 1 Feb. 1463² and 1469,³ and again 4 May 1472.⁴ In 1482 he had grant of a £5 annuity out of Burford, which was renewed by Henry VII in 1486; succeeded to the entailed estate of his brother John in 1485; J.P. Warw., 17 Dec. 1487 to 6 Nov. 1490; on gaol delivery comns. at Warwick 1487-9.

D. 1492. Will of William Hugford esq., dat. 24 June 1492, pr. 1492.⁵

HUGGINS (HUGYN), JOHN (1430-1500); of Whitstaunton,⁶ Som., esq.; lawyer. M.P. Melcombe 1472-5.

S. and h. of Richard Huggins M.P. (1405-70).

Pardoned, 9 Aug. 1452;⁶ elector, Som., 1460, 1472, 1478; sued William Mitchell for riotous behaviour at Chelton, Som., 1467/72;⁷ pardoned, 28 Jan. 1472;⁸ eschr. of Som. and Dorset 1474-5; feoffee for Giles Daubeney esq. in Somerset, 1475. J.P. Som., of the quorum, 5 Jan. 1479 to 21 Apr. 1483 and 26 June to 5 Dec. 1483. In 1491 John s. and h. of John s. and h. of Richard Huggins recovered by fine of Edward Panston, land in Yertcombe, Devon.⁹ His s. John died *v.p.* 1494, leaving a da. Jane, aged 1½;¹⁰ and in Mar. 1501 Roger Holand (*q.v.*), supervisor of the will of John Hugyn the son in 1494, was granted custody of the lands of John Hugyn the father and the marriage of Jane,¹¹ so John Huggins was then recently dead.

HUGGINS (HUGGUS), RICHARD (1405-70);¹² of Whitstaunton, Somerset, esq. M.P. Cricklade 1449 (1).

¹ *Rot. Parl.* v. pp. 590, 609.

² "Esq., *alias* late escheator, *alias* late of Edmunscot" (m.9).

³ "Late of Prynsthorpe, Warw., esq., *alias* late of Bekyngton, gent." (m.6).

⁴ "Of Bakington, Warw., esq., *alias* late of Berford St. John, Oxon., *alias* late escheator in Warw. and Leic." (m.31).

⁵ To be bur. in Whitefriars, Flete St., if he die in London, but at Blackfrairs, Warwick, if he dies elsewhere. Bequest to ch. at Wolston for tithes forgotten, and to church work at Stretton. To eld. son John a chain of gold and a red bed of silk etc., to son Thomas a blue bed, to da. Adrian a cross of gold, da. Elizabeth a St. Anthony cross of gold; bequest to da. Margery and to Henry Blewse and his bro. Richard Blewse. Masses for self and squal of Alice Moile 10s. Lands to welbeloved wife Dame Jane Hugford, and after her death to son John. Exors. :—Dame Jane with Richard Brikenough, dean of Warwick, and John Gilbert, priest. Supervisor, Thomas Hasilwode (P.C.C., 18 Doggett).

⁶ Pardon Roll, 1452, John Hygon late of Tiverton, gent., *alias* of White Staunton, Somerset (m.22).

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 38/237.

⁸ Pardon Roll, 1471/2, John Hugyn of Whytestaunton, Som., gent., *alias* esq., *alias* late of Tiverton, Devon.

⁹ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiv. 105.

¹⁰ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.* No. 754; will in P.C.C. (11 Vox).

¹¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1501), 232.

¹² But a Richard Huggyns was a Gloucester boro' elector, 1472.

As esq., he witnessed a charter of William Bayley in Wilts., 1445;¹ elector, Wilts., 1450; a feoffee of Henry Wigmore, clerk, in Wiltshire, 1450.² His son John (1435-1500) was M.P. also.

HULCOTE, JOHN (1430-82); of Bradden. Of the Household 1472-82; Squire of the Body 1481-2. M.P. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 1478.

S. and h. of John Hulcote the younger, of Hulcote, Easton-Neston, and Kings-thorpe, N'hants.;³ *m.* 1465, Alice, servant to Queen Elizabeth, da. and coh. of John Houghton;⁴ she *rem.* 1483 Thomas Fowler (*q.v.*).⁵

The King's servant John Hulcote esq. was granted Wavendon, Bucks., up to £7 a year (? his wage), 10 Mar. 1472; J.P. N'hants., 28 May 1472 to 10 Nov. 1475 and 15 May 1480 till death; on comns., N'hants., 1473 to 1478. He had the custody of the lands and heir of Robert Rufford, 27 Nov. 1472; Alice his wife was granted £10 a year out of N'hants., 2 Mar. 1475; licence to crenelate Bradden and empark 100 acres, 5 Mar. 1477; a justice in eyre in the Queen's forests, 1477; made (while in Parliament) constable of Moor End, N'hants., 26 Feb. 1478; steward of Bassingbourne, Cambs., 24 May 1479. By 17 Jan. 1481 the "King's servant" had become Squire of the Body, when sharing in the collation to a prebend at Windsor.⁶

D. 29 Nov. 1482, when Richard Hulcote, aged 30, son of Richard bro. of John is John's heir; lands, N'hants.⁷ Will, dat. 4 Aug. 1481, pr. 1482, of John Hulcote esq., squire of the body to King Edward IV. To be bur. at St. James beside Northampton. Bequests to "my psh. ch. of Bradden" and ch. of Hulcote. Hulcote to pass on death of his wife to "my cousin Richard Hulcote". My bro. John Pekke to have Knoston. Residue to wife and charity. Exors., his wife, and Nicholas Gaynefforth (*q.v.*) esq. of the Body, and Richard Isham.⁸ His widow Alice *m.* Thomas Fowler (*q.v.*) at Easter 1483, and Wavendon, Bucks., or the revenue from it, was granted to Fowler and the widow Hulcote, 3 Jan. 1483, within 5 weeks of Hulcote's death.

HULL, Sir EDWARD, K.G. (1410-54); of Enmore. Squire and knight of the Body 1438-54; constable of Bordeaux 1442-53. M.P. SOMERSETSHIRE 1447.

S. of Sir John Hull M.P. and Eleanor "Lady of Enmore", *d.* 1460, da. and h. of Sir John Malet;⁹ *m.* 1431 Margery da. and coh. (with Agnes wife of Thomas Wake M.P.) of Thomas Lovell of Clevedon; she was living in 1478, and her lands went to her great-nephew, Roger Wake, for Edward Hull left no issue.

Sheriff, Som. and Dorset, 1438-9, 1443-4, 1448-9; sheriff, Devon, 1451-2; J.P. Som., 25 Mar. 1440 till death; on comns. in Somerset 1443 onwards. As squire of the Body he was granted a pension of 50 marks a year from the manor

¹ *Tropenell Cart.* ii. 248.

² He is not likely to be the Richard Hodges of Bemeston, Dorset, yeoman, pardoned 1455.

³ Pardon Roll, John Hulcote, 1462.

⁴ Pardon to John Hulcote esq. and Alice his wife and to Elizabeth her sister, das. and coh. of John Houghton, tenant in chief of all accounts against him (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1465, 479).

⁵ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiii. 243.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1481), 227.

⁷ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiii. 248; *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.* i. No. 666.

⁸ P.C.C., 6 Logge.

⁹ Enmore by Bridgwater passed to a yr. branch of the Malet family after 1460; but Humphrey Stafford (*q.v.*) was "of Enmore" in 1460, and was captured there in 1469.

of Gillingham, Dorset, July 1438; in Nov. 1438 Hampton and Hull, both squires of the Body, were granted the ship *Nicholas of Saltash* which was forfeit to the King. He was sent to Aquitaine in 1440, but was back by Apr. 1441, when he was given the custody of Kenn and Kingston-Seymour during minority; was sent to Germany, Oct. 1441;¹ sent with Beckington, the King's Secretary, and Sir Robert Roos, as ambassadors to the Count of Armagnac to treat for one of his daughters as bride for Henry VI, May 1442. During all the years 1442-53, however, he accounts as Constable of Bordeaux;² but he continued squire and knight of the Body, receiving a succession of grants of lands. With his mother, Eleanor, he got a pension of 50 marks from the Abbey of St. Albans in lieu of a like grant of Henry V to Eleanor, surrendered. He was knighted about Christmas 1444, and served as a knight of the Body at the coronation of Queen Margaret. Pardoned 1446 as "of Enmore." More forfeited lands came his way after the Bury Parlt. and in May 1447 he and his wife, Margery, obtained free warren in their demesne manor of Milton by Bruton, Som.;³ in 1448 he had the forfeited ships—*Christopher* of Bristol and *Maine* of Northam; he was made keeper of "Tychewell", N'hants., Dec. 1448—in the King's hands by the death of Margery Lovell, tenant in chief—perhaps his mother-in-law. Sheriff of Glamorgan, July 1449; granted a further 50 marks a year from the customs of Bristol in Oct. 1449. The Parlt. of 1449-50 exempted from resumption all his grants except a 50 mark pension from the Receipt of the Exchequer—no doubt the pension from Bristol was to make up for this loss. Then follows three years silence 1450-2, probably in Bordeaux.

He was made Knt. of the Garter, 7 May 1453; but was never installed, for he was gone with Shrewsbury to France to the last fighting. According to Stow (p. 392), he was slain with Shrewsbury and young Talbot at Châtillon, 18 July 1453. But his inquest gives 3 Sept. 1454 as the date of his death; and the *English Chronicle* (p. 70) says that the Earl of Shrewsbury was slain and Sir Edward Hull *taken* at Bordeaux, and delivered for a great ransom. This must be the truer version, and he was Constable of Bordeaux at the time of his capture. On 10 July 1453, after all was lost and he was a prisoner, Hull, Constable of Bordeaux, petitioned for the payment of his expenses.⁴ And the Parlt. of 1455 exempted from the Act of Resumption the pension of 50 marks paid by the Abbot of St. Albans to Dame Eleanor and Sir Edward, "late Esquire of the Body," which is to be continued to Dame Eleanor.⁵ He was dead.

HULL, HENRY (1410-85); of Exeter and of Ashill, Som. M.P. Exeter 1439-40; SOMERSET 1467-8.

Probably s. of Henry Hull, clothier, mayor of Exeter in 1403, and Margery, da. and h. of John Talbot, mayor of Exeter in 1383 and 1396 and M.P. Exeter 1380.

When Member for Exeter he lived at Larkbere in St. Leonards, Exeter. Somerset elector in 1447, when Sir Edward Hull was elected. Pardoned 8 Nov.

¹ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

² *Enr. Accts.* F. 28 Henry VI. C. and 36 Henry VI. H.

³ *Cal. Char. Rolls*, vi. 78.

⁴ On 29 Aug. 1455, in consideration of the good service of Edward Hull knt., deceased, late sheriff, late farmer of the subsidy and ulnage of cloths on both sides of the sea to Henry V and the King, pardon to Eleanor, his mother and the executrix of his will, of all his arrears of accounts.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* v. 313.

⁶ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

1455, as of Ayssshehill, Som., esq., late of Exeter (m.20); for good service he was granted by the city of Exeter an acre of land in the parish of St. Leonards, 1466.¹ J.P. Dorset and Somerset, 28 Oct. 1468 to 7 Dec. 1470, and 8 Dec. 1471 till 15 July 1474; on a Devon comn. in 1455, on some Somerset ones 1469 to 1473.

The identity of the Member for Exeter with the Member for Somerset thirty years later is proved not only by the Pardon Roll of 1455, but by the Pardon Roll of May 1484:—Henry Hill esq., *alias* late of Larkbere by Exeter, *alias* late of White-Lakington, Som., esq., *alias* gent. (m.2).

HULSE (HOLLES), HUGH (1410–70); from Norbury, Salop. Of the Exchequer. M.P. East Grinstead 1449–50; Gatton 1450–1; Midhurst 1453–4.

S. of John Hulse of Norbury.

Pardoned, 24 June 1437, as “son of John Huls of Norbury, *alias* a burgess of the town of Caer Beaumaris and Conway” (m.14). In fact from Michaelmas 1436 till 23 Mar. 1437 he accounted as sheriff of Carnarvonshire; on comns. in North Wales in 1437 and 1453. Hulse and Henry Elmham were appointed auditors of the accounts of Ministers in North Wales, Nov. 1461. Robert Bold of London, gent., and Hugh Huls of London, gent., were mainpernors in 1465 for John Tiptoft, earl of Worcester,² the Treasurer. Evidently he was a treasury official and as such got his seats in Parlt.

HULSE (HOLES), ROGER (1435–95); of Salisbury. Lawyer and merchant. M.P. Calne 1467–8; Salisbury 1470–1, 1472–5, 1485–6, 1491–2.

Perhaps nephew of Andrew Huls of Salisbury, clerk, late keeper of the Privy seal and chancellor of Salisbury (*d.* 1469/70).

Admitted Lincoln's Inn 1454. In 1457 £20 was owed to him in London. Controller of Customs in Poole *c.* 1459; pardoned, 10 May 1462, “of Salisbury, gent., *alias* late of London, *alias* late collector of customs in Poole” (m.30); and again, 1 Sept. 1468, in same terms. John Chafyn and Huls were paid £63 12s. for services in the 1472 Parlt.;³ and “Huls of Salisbury” produced before the Salisbury Council two warrants from the Duke of Clarence, ordering the keeper of Wardour park to deliver two deer to the mayor and citizens at the hunting season, the other to the keeper of Canford park for the same.⁴ In 1482 Morton, Vaughan, and Hulse were exors. for Richard Beauchamp, bishop of Salisbury, deceased. Pardoned, 27 Feb. 1485, “of Salisbury, gent., *alias* merchant” (m.9). For the 1485 Parliament Huls was to receive “only 12*d.* a day.”⁵ A Wilts. comnr. 1486. J.P. Wilts., 5 Oct. 1491 (after election) till death. Judging from these J.P.ships, he died between 20 Nov. 1494 and 22 Dec. 1496.

HUMFREY (UMFREY), THOMAS (1420–69/70); of London and Gt. Waltham, Essex. King's servant 1459; lawyer. M.P. Lyme 1449–50, 1450–1; Bedwin 1453–4. Lancastrian.

Thomas Humfrey, clerk, was admtd. to Lincoln's Inn before Xmas, 1442; as

¹ *Cal. Chart. Rolls*, vi. 215–6.

² Fine Roll, 5 Edw. IV (m.12).

³ Benson & Hatcher, *Old & New Sarum*, 200.

⁴ *ibid.* 180.

⁵ *ibid.* 207.

a King's servant, making searches on the King's behalf, he had licence to ship customed wool from London and Ipswich, 29 Aug. 1459; pardoned, 20 Oct. 1462, as of London, *alias* late of Gt. Waltham; a comnr. of sewers, Thames, 17 Mar. 1469.

Dead by 30 Oct. 1470, when John Lee, cit. and draper of London, was exor. of the will of Thomas Umfray of London, gent.¹

HUNGERFORD, "ALDELYN" (1439-95); cadet of Down-Ampney, Glos., esq. M.P. Chippenham 1478.

Yr. s. of Sir Edmund Hungerford of Down-Ampney, by Margery da. and coh. of Sir Edward Burnell; and bro. of Sir Edmund M.P. (1430-92) and Edward M.P. (1435-1504).

The hospital of St. Lawrence by Bristol was granted to Aldelyn son of Sir Edmund Hungerford, 6 Mar. 1457, in lieu of a grant of the same to Walter Hungerford, dated 1449. He was pardoned, 20 Feb. 1472, as of Down-Ampney esq., late of Henningham, Essex; eschr., Hants and Wilts., 1479-80.² But in Nov. 1490 this was the plaint "to all people" of Amy Thornton of Westminster, concerning discords between Amy and Aldelyn Hungerford *re* a garden in Westminster, called Ledenporche, and other tenements, some time Mr. Clerk's "said Aldelyn kept me a prisoner three years and more, and with threats etc. put me in fear of my life set a dagger to my hart saying if I would not seal he would slay me" (she) sealed at last for fear of her life.³ And no more can be found either of Amy or of Aldelyn.

HUNGERFORD, Sir EDMUND (1430-93); of Down-Ampney, Glos. M.P. Cricklade 1491-2.

Eldest s. and h. of Sir Edmund Hungerford of same by Margery da. and coh. of Sir Edward Burnell, and eld. bro. of Edward (1435-1504) and Aldelyn (1439-95); both M.P.s. *M.* Margery heiress of Gt. Rolright, Oxon., and had Sir Thomas (1455-94) M.P.

Kntd. 1450/61; an apportioner of subsidy for Wilts. 1463;⁴ J.P. Wilts., 22 July 1461 to Nov. 1470. He can hardly have been removed from the bench by the Readeption government, for both he and his brothers were adherents of Warwick and Clarence, and as such their arrest had been ordered, 25 Apr. 1470.⁵ In fact Sir Edmund was put on the Glos. comn., 27 Oct. 1470. But no more is heard of him—neither pardon nor attainder—till he was elected for Cricklade in 1491. He died before 7 Dec. 1493 when Sir Thomas his son had licence of entry on his lands.⁶

HUNGERFORD, EDWARD (1435-1504); of Chelworth by Cricklade. M.P. Cricklade 1467-8.

Second s. of Sir Edmund Hungerford of Down-Ampney,⁷ Glos., by Margery da. and coh. of Sir Edward Burnell, i.e., yr. bro. of Sir Edmund M.P. (1430-93)

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1470), 228.

³ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 539.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1470), 218.

⁷ Down-Ampney is 2½ miles N. of Cricklade.

² Fine Rolls, 19 Edw. IV (m.12).

⁴ Fine Rolls, 3 Edw. IV.

⁶ *ibid.* (1493), 465.

and eld. bro. of Adelyn M.P. (1439-95). *M. Anne* da. of John, lord Ferrers of Groby.¹

He was involved in the Warwick-Clarence rising 25 Apr. 1470, and offences were still being charged against him in 1472. During the Readeption of Henry VI the keeping of Corsham and of the manor of Stretton St. Margaret, Wilts., was committed to Edward Hungerford and Edward Basyng.² He was pardoned 20 Feb. 1472, as "esq. of Down-Ampney."

D. 1504. Will of Edward Hungerford esq., dat. 29 Aug., pr. 13 Oct. 1504.³

HUNGERFORD, Hon. (Sir) THOMAS (1440-69); titular Lord Hungerford (1464-9) of Rowden in Chippenham. M.P. WILTSHIRE 1459. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Robert, 3rd lord Hungerford (beheaded after Hexham 1464), by Eleanor da. and h. of Sir William Moleyns of Stoke Poges, Bucks.; *m.* by 16 Oct. 1460,⁴ Anne, da. of Henry Percy, earl of Northumberland.⁵

Returned for Wilts. 1459, and made sheriff of Glos. also while under age, during the sitting of this Parliament; escaped attainder and was pardoned, 4 Nov. 1462;⁶ kntd. 1465/8; in Nov. 1468 Sir Thomas and Anne his wife recovered their life interest in Sutton-Lucy, Colwell and Wolmeston, Devon, which had been settled on their marriage, his attainted father having had a remainder interest only.⁷

By the machinations, as it is said, of Humphrey, lord Stafford of Southwick, both Courtenay, earl of Devon, and Sir Thomas Hungerford of Rowden in Chippenham were seized, convicted of treason (at the sessions at Salisbury before John, lord Stourton) and hanged, drawn and quartered at "Bymerton" outside Salisbury, 18 Jan. 1469. Mary, aged $\frac{1}{2}$ a year, was his da. and h. His widow Anne *rem.* Sir Lawrence Raynesford, who died 1490—dying herself in 1522.

HUNGERFORD, Sir THOMAS (1455⁸-94); of Down-Ampney, Glos. M.P. Cricklade 1491-2.

S. and h. of Sir Edmund Hungerford of same M.P. (1430-93) by Margery (*d.* 1486), who was pardoned, 12 Oct. 1486, as late of Down-Ampney, late of "Stokke", Wilts., *alias* of Gloucester.

¹ *Visitn. Glos.*, 87.

² Fine Roll, 49 Hen. VI (m.3).

³ To be bur. St. Barts., West Smithfield, "in my chapel of St. Anne where resteth the body of Anne my wife." 1,000 masses "with as convenient speed as they may be said by the chanons of said monastery." To Dyonyse Spark, widow, "whom with goddes grace if it please hym to send me lyff I shall marry and take to my wife all and every such goods as she brought to my house as I have of hers." She is to be enfeofed of Stodeley, Cricklade. Lands at Chelworth to Robert his son and heir and heirs, remainder to Thomas Hungerford youngest son of testator, remainder to Sir John Hungerford and his heirs. Thomas to have annuity of £10. Exors. :—son Robert, John Agmondesham, and Thomas ——— (sic) (P.C.C., 17 Holgrave).

⁴ Chanc. Misc., Inq. 4 Ed. IV, file 320, No. 56.

⁵ *Comp. Peer.* vi. 621.

⁶ As Thomas Hungerford esq. late sheriff of Henry VI in Glos., *alias* late of Salisbury (m.10).

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1464), 364.

⁸ Margery wife of Edmund Hungerford, decd., *d.* 27 Mar. 1486, when Thomas Hungerford, aged 30, was her s. and h.; lands—Rollright, Oxon. (*Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. p. 55).

Succeeded his mother at Gt. Rollright 1486;¹ kntd. 24 Nov. 1487 at the Queen's coronation; sheriff, Glos., 1490-1; succeeded his father at Down-Ampney, licence of entry, 7 Dec. 1493.

D. 1494—at least before 22 Nov. 1494 when John, his s. and h., had licence to enter on his lands.

HUNGERFORD, Hon. (Sir) WALTER (1445-1516); of Heytesbury, and Farleigh-Hungerford. Lieut. of Dover 1472-5; Squire of the Body 1482-3; P.C. 1504-9. M.P. WILTSHIRE 1478, (? 1483 Jan.), 1491-2.

2nd s. of Robert, 3rd Lord Hungerford (beheaded 1464), by Eleanor da. and h. of Sir William Moleyns of Stoke Poges, Bucks., and bro. and h. of Sir Thomas Hungerford M.P. (1440-69), who was hanged at Bymerton; m. Jane widow of Thomas Bolstrode of London.²

In Sept. 1464 he had a lease of Corsham, Wilts., for 5 years; and he had a custody in June 1465. When his brother was hanged in 1469, the custody of the da. and heiress was given to Lord Hastings. But he avoided the troubles of 1470-1; Lieut. of Dover 1472, which he and Scott repaired in 1473; and he was pardoned arrears of account in 1475. He went with the King to France 1475, with 2 men at arms and 20 archers.³ Sheriff, Wilts., 1478-9; J.P. Wilts., 12 Feb. 1480 to 5 Dec. 1483, 11 Nov. 1485 to 9 July 1490, 20 Nov. 1494 till death; one of the Squires of the Body who carried Edward's corpse to the Abbey.⁴ On Wilts. comms. including subsidy of Apr. 1483, but none of those of Richard III, and he took part in Buckingham's rising; attainted in 1484, "late of Heytesbury, Wilts., a leader of the rising in Wilts."⁵ He was pardoned his life, but Heytesbury was granted to the Squire of the Body, John Nesfield, and Walter was left in the Tower. When Henry Tudor landed, Richard III ordered Brackenbury, Lieut. of the Tower, to join him bringing Hungerford and Thomas Bouchier "whom he had in suspicion." When they reached Stoney Stratford Bouchier and Hungerford fled by night and reached Henry between Atherton and Tamworth in time to fight at Bosworth.⁶ Knighted 25 Aug. 1485. Attainder reversed, also the attainder on his father 1461. *Complete Peerage* says:—"Farleigh-Hungerford and Heytesbury were (then) granted to the heir male Sir Walter Hungerford, "probably owing to his desertion of Richard III." But Sir Walter claimed under a family entail, he had already had Heytesbury, and he cannot properly be said to have "deserted" Richard III.

He was now made steward of Corsham, Wilts.—exempted in the 1485 Parl.⁸—restored to the bench; pardoned, 6 Nov. 1486, as "of Farley, late of Heytesbury" (m.18). He was sent on mission to the Vatican in 1487, and made a will before leaving, mentioning his son Edward and his wife Jane.⁹ In 1492 he was to serve abroad with 2 spears, himself included, each with custrell and page, 10 archers on horseback and 30 on foot, and 20 bills.¹⁰ In 1493 he and Lord Willoughby were made joint stewards of Warwick's lands in Wilts. He was at Court for York's creation 1494, and at Catherine's reception 1501; sitting in the Star Chamber 1504; sheriff, Wilts., 1510-11.

¹ See note ⁸ on p. 485.

² *Comp. Peer.* vi. 624.

³ *Foedera*, V. iii. 56.

⁴ Gairdner, *L. & P.*, p. 5.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 246.

⁶ *Polidore Vergil*, 219.

⁷ *Comp. Peer.* vi. 623.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 381.

⁹ Add. MSS. 33412, Brit. Mus. in *Comp. Peer.* vi. 625.

¹⁰ *Foedera*, V. iii. 44.

Died 1516.¹ Will :—to be bur. in St. Michael's chapel in Heytesbury church ; mentions his da. Isabel (to whom he bequeathed a cup which had belonged to his grandmother, Lady Anne Moleyns) and his son Edward.²

HUNSTON, THOMAS (1445-1500) ; of Walpole, Norf. Lawyer. M.P. Heytesbury 1467-8.

Thomas Hunston lived at Walpole, Norf., in 1476-8 ; J.P. Norf., and of the quorum, 1480-1 ; elected to a Great Council for Lynn in 1496 ; a feoffee for Grendon, N'hants., 1498.² But there is a Hunston in Sussex, and Hunstons there c. 1430.

HUNT, HENRY (1410-71) ; of Rochester, baker. M.P. Rochester 1450-1.

Perhaps s. of William Hunt M.P. 1419.

Warden of Rochester bridge, Mich. 1447 to 1457 ;³ demised five houses in Rochester which he and Thomas Norays, decd., held of the grant of Roger Newbolt, 1462.⁴

D. 1471 ; in his will, dat. 1471,⁵ he bequeathes 10 marks for a cross of silver for the church, to be raised out of the moneys got from the sale of " the yn called the Hart ".⁵

HUNT, JOHN (1425-88/96) ; of Nottingham, merchant. M.P. Nottingham boro' 1470-1, 1472-5.

Bro. of Edmund Hunt of same (d. 1488) who was one of his electors in 1472.

Mayor of Nottingham 1460-1, 1467-8, 1474-6, 1482-3 ; J.P. Nottingham 1469-78 ;⁶ elector 1478 ; pardoned 4 Feb. 1472, " of Nottingham, merchant, late mayor." Mr. John Hunt was exor. of the will of Thomas Allestree (q.v.) and of other Nottingham folk ; his Nottingham property was assessed for a tenth at 26s. 7½d. in 1473.⁷ On comns. of gaol delivery, Nottingham, 1478, 1487. The Archbp. of York inspected deeds at his house in Nottingham in 1484.⁸ His bro. Edmund bequeathed him a scarlet furred gown,⁹ 1488 ; but he was dead by 1496 when his widow Alice desired to be buried beside him in St. Peter's.¹⁰

HUNT, JOHN (1430-78/81) ; of Southwark, grocer. Steward of Westminster Abbey. M.P. Southwark 1467-8.

Perhaps s. of John Hunt, chief clerk of the churches of London.

Bailiff of Southwark, 1453. On comn. *re* prostitutes in Southwark, 1460. He had been steward of the lands of the Abbey of St. Peter's, Westminster, 7 Jan. 1472.

D. 1478/81. Will, dat. 16 Oct. 1478, pr. 2 July 1481. John Hunt of London, grocer. To be buried in All Hallows. Wife Jane to have tenements in Southwark. Bequest to s. Stephen. Lands in Plumstead, Kent, to wife Jane, and she sole exix. (P.C.C., 13 Logge).

¹ See note ⁹ on p. 486.

² *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. 78.

³ Janet Beeker, *Rochester Bridge*, 21.

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 373.

⁵ F. F. Smith, *Rochester in Parliament*, 80.

⁶ Stevenson, *Record of Nottingham*, ii. App. p. 298.

⁷ *Thoroton Soc. Trans.* 1924, p. 73.

⁸ Stevenson, *Records of Nottingham*, ii. 344.

⁹ *Test. Ebor.* iv. 34.

¹⁰ *Thoroton Soc. Trans.* 1918, p. 105.

HUNT, JOHN (1430-80); of Reading. M.P. Reading 1469.

Perhaps son of William Hunt, an elector of Reading 1449. John Hunt was a collector of taxes 1464; one of the two cofferers Sept. 1467; elected constable of Reading 1470-1.¹

HUNT, RICHARD (1405-65); of Larkstone, Hants, yeoman. M.P. Portsmouth 1429-30, 1455-6.

He was on Hants piracy comms. in 1442 and 1448; and in Feb. 1455. It will probably be the same man who was dead in 1472, when "John Hunt son of Richard Hunt, late of Larkstone, Hants, yeoman, *alias* late of Overton, Hants, *alias* late of Southampton", appears on the Pardon Roll (m.21). He is evidently not the Richard Hunt, King's Servant, who was keeper of Hanley Park, Surrey, 1462-78, nor the Richard Hunt, ferreter to the Household 1429-43.

HUNT, THOMAS (1420-85); of Northampton and Rothwell, draper.² M.P. Northampton boro' 1449-50.

Bailiff 1446-7, and elector of Northampton in 1447; mayor 1456-7, 1464-5, 1472-3, 1480-1.³ Pardoned, 23 June 1452, as "late of Rothewell, draper"; as of Northampton, he was a feoffee of land in Northampton, 1472,⁴ and in Coventry 1475.⁵

HUNWOOD, JAMES. M.P. Horsham 1491-2.
Undiscovered.

HUSSEY, GILBERT (1440-1500); of Grantham. Receiver of Guisnes 1483-5; porter of Belvoir 1486. M.P. Grantham 1472-5.

S. of John Hussey of Old Sleaford by Elizabeth Nesfield, and bro. of Sir William Hussey M.P., Chief Justice; *m.* probably a da. of Richard Whetehill of Guisnes.⁶

While in London, the vicar of Abkettleby, Lincs., became indebted to him in 7 marks. Under Richard III he was receiver of Guisnes in Picardy for which he accounted 1483-5,⁷ which post he lost when the Government changed; porter of Belvoir, 23 Mar. 1486. About this time his da. Margaret *m.* Hugh Tyrell (*b.* 1470).⁸ Parliament in 1497 appointed him one of the subsidy comms. for Kesteven, wherein he is described as "of Grantham."⁹

HUSSEY (HUSE), THOMAS (1440-1503); of Witchampton nr. Wimborne, and Shapwick, Dorset, and of Salisbury.¹⁰ Lawyer. M.P. Poole 1460-1; Salisbury 1470-1; Shaftesbury 1478; (? somewhere 1483 (Jan.)).

¹ *Reading Diaries*, i. pp. 57, 61, 65.

² He is not the Thomas Hunt who was clerk of the King's Works 1471-85; nor the man who was eschr. of Notts. and Derbys. 1486-96.

³ *Northampton boro' Records*, ii. 550.

⁴ Northampton MSS. Records, press C.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. 193.

⁶ *Lincs. Pedigrees*, 526.

⁷ *Exchq. Accts.*

⁸ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 883.

⁹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 518.

¹⁰ Pardon Roll, 1487, Thomas Hussey the elder of Wychehampton gent., or esq., late of Shapwick, late of Thorneton, Dorset, or late of Salisbury (m.20).

¹¹ Called "the younger," doubtless to distinguish him from a man of the same name who was pardoned 1446 as "of Winterbourne-Thomaston, Dorset."

S. and h. of John s. and h. of Mark Hussey.¹

Pardoned, 1462, as of Shapwick; apportioner of the subsidy in Dorset, 1463;² on Dorset comns. from 1465 (when called "younger"), including Oct. 1470, all those of Richard III and the subsidy comns. of Aug. 1483, Jan. 1488, and 1496. A feoffee in Wilts. with Lord Stourton, 1471;³ exor. of the will of Gilbert Kemer, dean of Salisbury, 1475. He sat in the Readeption Parlt. and on their comn. in Dorset, but pardoned, as of Shapwick, the elder, 12 Feb. 1472; and J.P. Dorset, and of the quorum, 8 Dec. 1471 till death; bought Stawnden, Wilts., from Henry Lovell, 1478;⁴ pardoned, 22 Jan. 1487.⁵

D. 10 Sept. 1503, when Henry, aged 28, was his s. and h.; land—Wilts., Dorset and Hants;⁶ will, dat. 6 Sept., pr. 12 Dec. 1503. To be bur. at Sturminster, Dorset. Bequests to church of Salisbury; to Wm. Cavell and Elizabeth his w., to Ralph Clerk his confessor. Residue to son Henry.⁷

HUSSEY (HOSE), (Sir) WILLIAM (1433-95); of Sleaford, Lincs. Attorney General 1471-8; Serjt.-at-law 1478-81; C.J., K.B., 1481-95. M.P. Bramber 1460-1; Grantham (? 1463), 1467-8. Sumnd. 1472-5, 1478, 1483, 1484, 1485-6, 1487, 1489-90, 1491-2.

S. of John Hussey of same by Elizabeth Nesfield (Neffield) of Yorks.;⁸ *m.* Elizabeth da. of Thomas Berkeley of Wymondham, Leics., and/or Anne 2nd da. of Sir John Salvayn;⁹ and had John, afterwards Lord Hussey, and Robert from whom descend the Husseys of Hannington, Leics.¹⁰

J.P. Kesteven, and of the quorum, 28 Aug. 1460 till death; on Sussex comn. 22 Mar. 1461, to arrest rebels; Lincs. comns. 1463 onwards; was granted Burton-Pedwardine, Lincs., 30 Mar. 1462, exempted from resumption 1467 and 1473; pardoned, 1 July 1462,¹¹ and by Warwick's govt., 3 Feb. 1471—as "of Old Sleaford gent. Heuse, Husy, Hosy". J.P. Rutland, 23 Apr. to 30 Nov. 1470, and 28 Nov. 1473 onwards; added to the bench in a dozen counties 1483.

He entered Gray's Inn; King's Attorney Genl. 16 June 1471; one of the King's feoffees when he went to France and put on his Great Council of England, May 1475;¹² impeached Clarence and was made serjt.-at-law, 1478; C.J. King's Bench with 140 marks a year, 28 May 1481; kntd. 12 June/18 Nov. 1481. He received a pardon from Henry VII, 12 Dec. 1485;¹³ perhaps because he had successfully protested against the King's practice of consulting the judges beforehand upon Crown cases which they were subsequently to try.¹⁴ He was a comnr. to treat with ambassadors from France, in June 1490 and June 1492.¹⁵

D. in Oct. or on 9 Sept. 1495, succeeded as C.J. by Sir John Fineux (*q.v.*).

¹ *Geneal. N.S.* xx. 33.

² Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

³ *Tropenell Cart.* ii. 294.

⁴ *Geneal. N.S.* *ut supra*.

⁵ See note ¹⁰ on p. 488.

⁶ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. Nos. 701 to 704.

⁷ P.C.C., 30 Blamyr.

⁸ *Geneal. N.S.* v. 46; *Comp. Peer.* vii. 15.

⁹ *Geneal. N.S.* xx. 123.

¹⁰ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Wm. Hussey.

¹¹ As "of London, gent., *alias* of Sleaford, Lincs., *alias* Huse, *alias* Hussy" (m.24).

¹² Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 125.

¹³ As "William Hussey, knt., Chief Justice of the King's Bench, *alias* of Old Sleaford, Lincs." (m.1).

¹⁴ *Year Book 1 Hen. VII* (Selden Soc.), p. 26.

¹⁵ *Foedera*, V. iv. pp. 34, 45.

HYDE, RICHARD (1440-90); of Stoke-Bliss, Heref.,¹ or of Warwick. Servant of D. of Clarence. M.P. WORCESTERSHIRE (? 1470-1), 1472-5.

He was eschr. of Hants and Wilts., 6 June 1477 to 7 Nov. 1471;² apptd. customer of Boston, 25 Oct. 1470; under-sheriff in Worcs. to Humphrey Stafford of Grafton, 1472-4, apptd. while M.P. for said County. When the duchess Isabel died, Clarence sent Richard Hyde of Warwick, gent., to seize Mrs. Ankaret Twynyho at her home at Keyford, Som.;³ he carried her off to Warwick where she was judicially murdered, 1477. Pardoned, Jan. 1485.

D. 1490. Will of Richard Hyde esq., dat. 23 Nov. 1488, pr. 6 Apr. 1490. To be buried in the Carmelite Friars, London, or in All Saints, Worcs., at the discretion of his wife Margaret, who is sole exix.⁴

HYDE, WILLIAM (1435-85); of Steeple-Morden, Cambs. *j.u.*, but from Wilts. Receiver for Anne, duchess of Exeter. M.P. Chippenham 1472-5.

Probably related to John Hyde, lawyer of Berks.

He may be the clerk of the saulcery of 1454;⁵ was owed money in Oxford, 1458; eschr., Oxon. and Berks., 1466-7; *m.* Margaret widow of Richard Hatfield esq., of Steeple-Morden, Cambs., by July 1469.⁶ He owed money to John Marshall, mercer of London, which debt he attempted to settle by surrendering to Marshall his interest in a grant of the wardship and marriage of his step-son Edward s. and h. of Richard and Margaret Hatfield, 20 Apr. 1472.⁷ He owed money to Thomas Gay also, and neither Marshall nor Gay were satisfied; therefore, when Hyde arrived in London for the 1472 Parlt. he was arrested and committed to Newgate "as an he had bee a Traitor." The Commons petitioned for his release as burgess for Chippenham, and the petition was granted.⁸ Then he brought actions against Marshall,⁹ and against the sheriffs of London for arresting him.¹⁰ In this last suit he is described as receiver of the *late* Duchess of Exeter (*d.* 12 Jan. 1476), also, more noteworthy, as "burgess of Parliament." He occurs once more in 1480, when he was pardoned for alienating Sturminster-Marshall, Dorset, to John Wyke (*q.v.*) without licence;¹¹ and he probably died soon after.

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IHAM, JOHN (1410-65); of Sussex. M.P. Horsham 1447.

Iham is near Winchelsea. In 1443 John Iham sued Walter Coupere in the rape of Hastings on a deed of covenant; the case continued and in 1445 Coupere put himself in mercy (*3d.*) for leave to agree with John Iham on this plea of covenant.¹² In 1455 Thomas Hoo, John Wody, William Browne and John Iham gave seisin of Codling and lands in "Bicksley," Sussex, to Geoffrey Boleyn (*q.v.*).¹³

¹ W. R. Williams, *Worcestershire M.P.s.*

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 296; (1475), 542.

³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 173; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1478), 72.

⁴ P.C.C., 43 Milles.

⁵ *Privy Counc. Proc.* vi. 230.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1469), 174. She was dead by 1470. Fine Roll, 10 Edw. IV, m.1.

⁷ *ibid.* (1472), 340; *Early Chan. Proc.* 47/280.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 160.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 47/280.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 60/245; 67/48. (This last suit was brought while the Bp. of Lincoln was Chancellor, i.e., after 25 Feb. 1475.)

¹¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1480), 202.

¹² Hastings Lathe Court Rolls (*Sussex Rec. Soc.* xxxvii). ¹³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 548.

It is possible that he is the John Higham esq. who, for good service to Edward IV and the Duke of York, was granted for life the office of Chief Remembrancer of the Exchequer of Ireland with £10 a year out of Dublin in Feb. 1462. It is even possible that he was the son of that John Higham, merchant of London, who was executor in 1436 for William Crowmer of Kent (*q.v.*).

IHAM (HIGHAM), RICHARD (1430-90); of Hastings. M.P. Hastings 1472-5.

It is tempting to see in this M.P. the fourth s. of Thomas Higham of Higham, Suff., who entered Lincoln's Inn 1469, became serjt.-at-law 1473 and died 1500.¹ But there is nothing whatever in the very many notices of this man's public life to connect him with Sussex, and there are signs of a local Richard Iham or Higham.

Iham is in Sussex and John Iham, M.P. for Horsham 1447, may be his father. A comn. was issued in May 1463 to Thomas Rede, Richard Higham and John Honywood to seize suspected persons coming to Hastings and to examine them lest they be spies and inventors of rumours. While on 28 Oct. 1476 the same three are to be arrested.² Thomas Rede was M.P. for Hastings in this same Parlt., Honywood sat in 1478; both were local men and obviously Richard Higham or Iham was so also.

IHAM see HIGHAM.

ILLINGWORTH (ILLYNGWURTH), (Sir) RICHARD (1415-76); of Kirkby Woodhouse, Derbys., and of Merton, Surrey. Of Lincoln's Inn; Chief Baron of the Exchq. 1462-71. M.P. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1447, 1449 (1), 1450-1, 1455-6. Yorkist.

Parentage doubtful; but *m.* (1) Agnes; (2) by 1463, Alice, widow of Thomas Charlton, mayor of London. His sons Ralph and Richard were by Agnes.

Admitted to Lincoln's Inn 1435, and governor 1443-4, 1447-9, 1457-8.³ He was granted 200 acres in Sherwood forest, 1446; a trustee for Lord Cromwell of Tattershall castle, Lincs., 1454; from which we may guess that he was already connected with the Exchq. He settled in Surrey about this time; J.P. Surrey, of the quorum, 10 Jan. 1457 to 15 Jan. 1459, and 24 Dec. 1460 to 16 Oct. 1475—therefore Yorkist. But he was on Surrey comns. during the Readeption. He was on comns. in Notts. 1448 and 1450, and on assizes in the northern counties with Judge Littleton in 1466. Edward IV regranted him Kirkby-Woodhouse in July 1461, which was exempted from resumption in 1461 and 1464; at the same time he had a pension of £40 a year from the farm of Nottingham. It was unusual to make a man Chief Baron unless he was already a puisne Baron. Owing chiefly to the loss of many Issue rolls after 1458 there is no evidence of Illingworth ever being appointed a Baron, but by Sept. 1462 he had been made Chief Baron of the Exchequer, with a salary of 110 marks and 2 robes yearly. In May 1463 Bunny, Notts., was settled on Richard Illingworth and Alice, his wife. He was kntd. at Queen Elizabeth's coronation, 26 May 1465. In the Parliament of 1467 he was apptd. one of those to investigate the charges

¹ Will P.C.C., 23 Moore.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1476), 22.

³ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, pp. 14-31.

against the governor of the Mint. As all the others were in the Lords or Commons, Illingworth was probably in the Lords too as Baron. This Parlt. also exempted his land in Sherwood forest from their Act of Resumption.

J.P. Yorks., 8 June 1468 to 1471. He remained in office under the Readeption government; received a pardon from that government as "Chief Baron, *alias* of London knt." On Edward IV's return Illingworth and Danby, C.J., were suspended, probably because they had shown more complacency to Warwick than could be overlooked; Urswick (*q.v.*) took Illingworth's place 22 May 1471, and the Parlt. of 1472-5 made no exemptions for Illingworth from their Act of Resumption.

D. 26 Apr. 1476, when Ralf, aged 27, was his s. and h.; lands—Notts., Derbys., Leics., Beds., Mdsx. and Hants. Will of Richard Illingworth knt., dat. 15 July 1471, pr. 15 July 1476.¹

INGALDESTHORPPE see INGLETHORPE.

INGHAM, THOMAS (1390-1455); ald. of Norwich, merchant. M.P. Norwich 1427-8, 1429-30, 1445-6.

Mayor of Norwich 1425, 1431; alderman by 1429; elector 1421 (Nov.), 1422, 1425, 1426, 1431, 1432, 1433, 1437, 1442, 1449 (1) (senior), 1449 (2) (sen. and jun.), 1450 (senior); a loan of £172 to the Crown was repaid to him in 1430; pardoned in 1437; J.P. Norwich 1442-6; pardoned again 1446, as of Norwich the elder, esq. In 1454 Thomas Ingham the elder sued Thomas Denys and Agnes his wife, late the wife of Thomas Ingham the petitioner's son, for debt due from the said Thomas Ingham junior.²

INGLES (INGLOSE), Sir HENRY (1390-1451); of Dilham, Norfolk. Soldier; Lieut.-Admiral. M.P. SUFFOLK 1423-4; NORFOLK 1425, 1429-30, 1432, 1435, 1437, 1449 (1).

S. and h. of Sir Henry Ingles of the same (*d.* 1390/4), by Anne da. and h. of Robert Gyney; *m.* Jane da. and coh. of Sir Robert Ufford, and she *rem.* Sir William Bowet.³ In the will of Sir John Fastolf he speaks of Sir Henry as "of my consanguinite."

About 1412 the parson of Stockton, Norf., sued Henry Ingles for breaking into his house and for the seizure of his goods;⁴ as Henry Ynglish he served in Henry V's retinue at Agincourt, and he was knighted 1415/20; on Norfolk comms. 1416 onwards; J.P. Norfolk, 20 July 1424 to 19 Dec. 1447; elector, 1431, 1433, 1445; in Sept. 1428 Sir Henry Ingles was Lieut. to John, duke of Bedford, Admiral of England; and a judgment of his, as Lieut. of the Dukes of Norfolk and Suffolk, given against the Almayne merchants, was appealed against by John, bp. of Bath and Wells, in Dec. 1429. His seal may be seen on a Norfolk deed of Mar. 1431.⁵ A witness in Yorks., 19 July 1433; sworn to the peace in Norfolk, 1434; and (as Sir Henry Inglehouse) he was one of the knights present at the Council, 24 Feb.

¹ To be bur. at St. Albans, London, beside Agnes, his late w. Masses for Thomas Charlton, alderman of London, and Alice, his w., w. of Richard Illingworth. Gifts to Merton Abbey and to Sherwood, etc. Bequests to Ralf, his s., Richard, his s., and Elizabeth, da. of Ralf (P.C.C., 27 Wattys).

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 22/130.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/101.

³ Davy, Suffolk Colls., Add. MSS. 19137.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 295.

1439. Frequently a feoffee in Norfolk from 1440 to 1450. He was Paston's friend, and one of those who complained of Heydon and Tuddenham (*qq.v.*) in Apr. 1451.¹

D. 1 July 1451, and Margaret Paston, writing next day to John Paston, says, "Sir Henry Inglose is passed to God this night." Henry, aged 40, was his s. and h., and was pardoned in 1458 and 1462 as "of Dilham, Norfolk, late of Greenwich."²

INGLETHORPE (INGOLDISTHORPE), Sir EDMUND (1420-56); of Borough Green near Newmarket, and of Rainham, Norfolk. M.P. CAMBRIDGESHIRE 1445-6, 1449 (1), 1453-4. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Thomas "Ingoldsthorpe" of the same (1401-22), by Margaret da. and h. of Walter de la Pole,³ which Thomas was s. and h. of Sir John (*d.* 1420).⁴ M. 1435⁵ Jane (*d.* 1494), sis. and coh. of John Tiptoft, earl of Worcester.⁶

He had licence to enter on his lands, being then of age, 15 Aug. 1442;⁴ founded a chantry at Cambridge for himself and Jane his wife, and Isabel, his daughter, Mar. 1444. J.P. Cambs., 12 Feb. 1448 till death; elector, Cambs., heading the list, 1447, 1450, 1455; on all Cambs. comms. from 1448 to 1455; kntd. 1445/6; exempted from all offices 1448; pardoned, July 1446, as "of Sauston, Cambs., knt." (m.27); and again 1452. Summoned to attend the Great Council for Cambs. Apr. 1455; again pardoned 14 Feb. 1456.

D. 2 Sept. 1456, when Isabel, aged 15, was his da. and h.; lands—Yorks., Hants, Surrey, Glos., Mdsx., Cambs., Norfolk and Suffolk. The dowry of Jane his wife was in Mdsx., London, Hants, Glos. and Norfolk. Will, dat. 19 Aug., pr. 4 Nov. 1456.⁷

Queen Margaret at once secured the custody and marriage of Isabel (*b.* 1441), and of her lands, and married the girl, 25 Apr. 1457, to Warwick's brother, Sir John Nevill, afterwards Marquis Montagu. In July 1459, Sir John Nevill having paid the Queen, they had licence to enter on their lands. In Dec. 1460 Sir Edmund's exōrs. founded a chantry in the church of Burgh to pray for Sir John de Burgh and Catherine, his wife, John de Ingoldsthorpe, Thomas Ingoldsthorpe and Edmund Ingoldsthorpe, knights.⁸

INGLETON (INGYLTON), ROBERT (1405-58/62); of Warton, Lancs.⁹ M.P. Appleby 1442.

A feoffee of Kendal castle for the Parr family, Mar. 1431; leased the herbage of the parish of Troutbeck for 40 years, 1441; made customer of Hull, May 1452; had the grant of a custody and marriage of a Somerset heiress, Oct. 1458.

He was certainly dead by 1462, for, in the Pardon Roll of 20 May 1462, Henry Halsall mentions the herbage of Dalehead and of the park of Troutbeck, which Robert Ingleton lately held at farm (m.10). He cannot, therefore, be the Robert

¹ Gairdner, *Paston Letters* (ed. 1904), i. 90.

² *Paston Letters* (ed. 1872), i. 224.

³ *Geneal N.S.* xviii. 189.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1462), 176; *Inq. p.m.* 8 Hen. V.

⁵ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1435), 341.

⁶ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.* No. 1085.

⁷ To be bur. in the church of Burgh, Cambs. Exors. to put a gravestone on his mother's tomb in the Friar's church at Lynn. Bequests to his da. Isabel, and his wife Jane, and to his exors. John Prisot, Chief Justice of the King's Bench, Laurence Cheyne (*q.v.*), Thomas Lockton (*q.v.*), John Bateman, Henry Colling, chaplain, and Richard Ward. Supervisor, John (Tiptoft), earl of Worcester (P.P.C., 7 Stokton).

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1460), 634.

⁹ He was called of Warton, Lancs., when a guarantor for an annuity in 1437 (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. C. 5244).

Ingleton who was J.P. of Bucks. and N'hants., 1460 onwards—a lawyer of the quorum.

INGLOSE see INGLES.

INGOLDISTHORPE see INGLETHORPE.

INGRAM, JOHN (1420–80); of Aylesbury and London, gent. Lawyer. M.P. Bridport 1455–6.

An attorney in Bucks. 1450;¹ a feoffee in Aylesbury, 1451; John Ingram of London sued Roger Dreycotys on a bond for money lent to Dan Henry Staunton, monk, pretending himself to have been Prior of Wenlock, 1454;² pardoned 12 June 1472, as of Aylesbury, late of London and North Merston, Bucks.; he sued John Preston about a quit-rent of Boveley in Wonersh, Surrey, reserved to Ingram when he sold the land to Preston, 1475/85.³

INGRAM, RICHARD; of Hoo, Sussex? M.P. Wilton 1463–5.

Richard Ingram of Hoo was sued for land in Hoo, formerly belonging to Richard Holyer.⁴ With Alice his wife he demised land in Chipping Norton, Oxon., to Thomas Kilby, Aug. 1471.⁵ The Abbess of Wilton controlled the representation of Wilton. Ingrams however occur in Wilts. 1446 to 1493.⁶

INGYLTON see INGLETON.

IRLAND, Sir GEORGE (1425–73); ald. of London, grocer. M.P. London 1469, 1472 till death.

M. in 1456 Margaret, widow of Thomas Hawkin, grocer of London, with 4 minor children,⁷ and da. of Richard Lee (*q.v.*),⁸ and he was seised of Clapham jointly with Margaret.

Pardoned 1459, “citizen and grocer”; alderman 1461 till death; sheriff 1461–2; master of Grocers company 1461–2, 1471–2; elector, London, 1467. Pardoned 1469, 1470; on the Common Council’s deputation to Edward IV, Apr. 1470;⁹ joined in guarding London Bridge against Warwick’s Kentish men, Sept. 1470;¹⁰ kntd. at the bridge-foot, 21 May 1471, for the defence of the city against the bastard.

He died while M.P. for the city, 29 Sept. 1473; when Thomas, aged 12, was his s. and h. Lands—Clapham and Newington in Walworth. There is no trace of a new writ for the city.

ISBURY (YSBURY, ESTBURIE), JOHN (1445–1508); of Letcombe Regis. Lawyer? M.P. BERKSHIRE 1491–2, (? 1504).

M., by 1502, Elizabeth, who rem. John Swayne and survived till 1538; no issue.¹¹

Because he was called “gent.” when sued for debt 1467/72,¹² because he is called “late of London” when pardoned 1472, because of his comns., especially those of *oyer* and gaol delivery, above all because of the names of his exors., we think this man was a lawyer.

¹ Plea Rolls, East. 28 Hen. VI.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 24/265.

³ *ibid.* 54/222.

⁴ *ibid.* 70/41.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 126.

⁶ *Wilts. Arch. Mag.* iv. 93; x. 286; xi. 381.

⁷ *Letter Book K.* 379.

⁸ Will of Richard Lee (P.C.C., 5 Wattys).

⁹ Jor. 7, fo. 213d.

¹⁰ *ibid.* fo. 223; Sharpe, *London and the Kingdom*, i. 311.

¹¹ *V.C.H. Berks.* iv. 224.

¹² *Early Chan. Proc.* 46/368.

He was pardoned, 22 Jan. 1472,¹ and again on the same roll, 4 May 1472, as administrator of the goods etc. of Thomas Rogger (*q.v.*) of the diocese of Sarum, late sheriff of Oxon., who died intestate. Elector, Bucks., 1478; J.P. Berks. (not of the quorum), 1478 to June 1483, and Dec. 1483 till death; on the subsidy comns. for Berks., Apr. and Aug. 1483, Jan. 1488 and 1504; on others of *oyer* and gaol delivery to 1497. He witnessed a Berks. deed for Thomas Drewe (*q.v.*), Jan. 1485,² and a Wilts. deed concerning Badbury, May 1485;³ had a lease for seven years of "Aldetourn" warren, Nov. 1485.⁴ Between 1470 and 1500 he bought Whatcombe manor, Berks., from Sir William Norris (*q.v.*);⁵ in 1502, with Elizabeth his wife, he conveyed Hopgrass manor to trustees.⁶ He had licence to found a chantry at Lambourn and to endow it with the manor of Whatcombe, 8 Mar. 1501.

D. 1508; will of John Isbury of Letcombe Regis; dat. 1 May, pr. 15 Dec. 1508.⁷ The distinguished character of his exors. is only to be matched in the will of William Paston (*q.v.*); and these are even more interesting—throw more light on the man. For to the Bp. of London, the Warden of New College, Edmund Dudley and Oliver Hyde is added the name of Thomas More. We know that More was M.P. in 1504. If appointments to subsidy comns. means that a man was in Parlt., and not the reverse, then Isbury may well have sat with More in 1504.

ISHAM see NISHAM, JOHN.

ISLEY, JOHN (1442-94); of Sundridge, Kent. M.P. KENT 1472-5.

S. and h. of John Isley and nephew of William Isley M.P. (1405-64), whose heir he was;⁸ *m.* Anne da. of Nicholas Morley of Glynde, Sussex (*q.v.*), and widow of John Hervey (*q.v.*). She *rem.* Sir John Paston (*q.v.*).⁹

Sheriff, Kent, 1473-4; J.P. Kent, 20 Sept. 1485 till death; on comns., Kent, between 1470 and 1490. On 16 Feb. 1484 he received a general pardon of all offences.

D. 1494; will, dat. 25 Oct., pr. 16 Nov. 1494. To be bur. at Sundridge. Bequests to Sevenoaks ch. where his father was buried. Bequest to s. Thomas. Wife Agnes residuary legatee. Exors. :—s. Thomas, wife Agnes, John a Lygh of Addington (*q.v.*). Supervisor, Sir John Guildford (*q.v.*).¹⁰

ISLEY (ISLE), WILLIAM (1405-64); of Sundridge, Kent. Lawyer. M.P. KENT 1442, 1449-50.

S. and h. of Roger Isley (*d.* 1429);¹¹ *m.* Isabel Warner of Foots Cray, Kent, and his colleague at Westminster in 1449-50 was John Warner.

Sworn to the peace in Kent, as of Sundridge, 1434; J.P. Kent, of the quorum, 17 Nov. 1438 to 24 Dec. 1450, and 13 July 1453 to 2 Dec. 1458; elector, Kent,

¹ As of Letcombe Regis, Berks., esq., late of London, late of East Shefford, Berks.

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 177.

³ *ibid.* p. 124.

⁴ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 585.

⁵ *V.C.H. Berks.*, iv. 177.

⁶ *ibid.* iv. 194.

⁷ To be bur. at Lambourne in the chapel he had founded and built. Bequests to Salisbury cathedral. To Elizabeth his wife "the crosse of my chain of gold." Exors. :—my lord of London, Richard FitzJames, Mr. William Porter, warden of New College, Oxon., Edmund Dudley esq., Henry Makney esq., Oliver Hyde esq., John Mann, Thomas More, William Perrott (P.C.C., 9 Bennett).

⁸ *Inq. p.m.*, 4 Edw. IV., No. 34, William Isle.

⁹ *Hervy Dictionary*, No. 337.

¹⁰ P.C.C., 21 Vox.

¹¹ Hasted, *Kent*, 129.

1435, 1442 when himself elected ; sheriff, Kent, 1446-7 ; on many comns. in Kent, 1445 to 1460, including the Lancastrian comn. of array in Dec. 1459. There are several references to him as being owed sums of money ; and he was one of the unpopular officials in Kent. With Slegge and Crowmer he was specially denounced by Cade, and unpopularity was perhaps the cause of his removal from the Bench in Dec. 1450. His extortion as Justice of the Peace in Kent is given as one of the reasons for the rebellion, and on 15 Dec. 1462 a comn. was apptd. to enquire into the extortions said to have been practised by him ; the comn. was renewed in July 1463 ; he had been pardoned 10 Jan. 1459 ; demised land in Hever, Kent, to John Rowe, Feb. 1461.¹

D. 14 Dec. 1464, when John Isley, aged 22, was his kinsman and heir, *i.e.*, son of John Isley, bro. of William. How he died is not clear, for Clement Paston writes in 1464, "The King hath been in Kent and there been indicted many for Isley's death." He left no will.

ISMELL, ROBERT (1400-60) ; of Devizes. M.P. Devizes 1447.

On 8 Jan. 1434 Robert Ismelle was bound in £100 to the exors. of William Walshot to abide by the award of John Coventry of Devizes and Robert Chaundeller, chosen on his behalf, and John Wever and John Fote, on behalf of the exors., touching all actions between them.²

IVERE see EURE.

JAAN see JANE.

JACOB, WILLIAM (1425-79) ; of Chichester, vintner. M.P. Chichester 1460-1, 1478.

He was the constable of Shoreham who made the Return in 1453 ; mayor of Chichester 1460, returning himself, and 1478-9 ; elector, Sussex, 1460, 1478 (both times when elected for Chichester) ; elector, Chichester, 1460 (while mayor and when himself elected) and 1472 ; pardoned, 11 Oct. 1462, "of Chichester, merchant, *alias* vintner" (m.10).

D. 1479 ; will, dat. 26 Oct., pr. 15 Nov. 1479, William Jacob, mayor of Chichester. To be bur. in the cathedral. Masses for souls of wives Maud and Jane. Lands to John Stanney (*q.v.*) and Robert Moore (*q.v.*) in trust for w. Anne. Residue to Stanney and Moore, his exors.³

JAMES (JAMYS), ANDREW (1420-85) ; of Southampton, cloth merchant.

M.P. Southampton 1453-4, 1461-2.

Perhaps s. of Piers James, M.P. Southampton 1427.

He was a merchant who traded largely in cloth and took part in the 1460 riots. Bailiff of Southampton 1446 ; elector 1449 (2), 1455, 1472, 1478 ; mayor 1452-3 when elected M.P. He was directed to survey a galley at Southampton, Jan. 1450 ; mustered troops there and tried piracy cases, 1453 ; a subsidy comnr., Apr. 1454, though (or because) he was then M.P. On 1 Dec. 1460 the aldermen of Southampton were ordered to elect a Mayor, on the complaint of Richard Gryme, the mayor, and the burgesses, that the mayor had nominated Holmadge and Fettiplace, yet Andrew James, Payne, and ōrs. with 100 more came to the Guildhall and

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 288.

² *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1434), 302.

³ P.C.C., 12 Logge.

prevented the election and elected Bagworth.¹ He had married Margery da. of John Payne of Southampton, the M.P. who *d.* 1467. They were partners in the trouble; and James was elected to Parliament next year. Deputy butler of Southampton 1473; dead by 1492.²

JANE, STEPHEN; of Launceston? M.P. Launceston 1447.

In this same Parlt. William Jane was elected for Truro, and a William Jane was mayor of Launceston in 1492. But Hugh Jane was of Plymouth in 1442. Probably Stephen Jane was a burgess of Launceston, but no trace of him has been found.

JANE (JAAN), WILLIAM. M.P. Truro 1447.

This man probably came from Launceston,³ but a William Jane of Forde, Devon, was pardoned outlawry in 1458. A William Jane of a later generation was steward of Launceston in 1479, and mayor of that town in 1492 and 1500. The other Member for Truro in 1447 certainly came from outside the borough.

JANYN see JENNINGS.

JAY, RICHARD (1410-67); of Crawley, Sussex; lawyer. M.P. Shoreham 1432, 1435, 1437, 1442.

M. before 1454 Jane widow of J. Beverley, skinner of London.

Sussex elector 1431, 1435, 1442; attorney in London, Sussex, Kent, Berks., 1450;⁴ was suing for trespass in Sussex, 1451—indeed, he seems to have spent most of his life suing for damages or for trespass in Surrey and Sussex. In Feb. 1454 Richard Jay of Crawley was owed £20; he sued for trespass in Norfolk in 1458; in Sussex in 1466; in Surrey for damages the same year, and again for trespass in Sussex.

This universal creditor died shortly before 2 June 1467, when his writ *diem clausit* was sent to the eschr. of Sussex and Surrey.⁵ He must be compared, on a lesser scale, with Debenham and Palmer.

JAY, RICHARD (1440-93); of Allington and Pymore in Bridport, Dorset. Serjt.-at-law. M.P. Portsmouth 1467-8; Downton 1472-5, 1478, (? 1483 Jan.).

S. and h. of Thomas Jay; *m.* Jane da. of John Wakefield.⁶

A feoffee in Southwark of William Hill of Cambs., Oct. 1470;⁷ J.P. Hants, of the quorum, 30 Apr. 1470 till death; on comns. Oct. 1470 and all those of 1483, 1484 till death. Feoffee for (Hon.) Sir Thomas Howard (*q.v.*) in Hants and Southwark 1475-7;⁸ suing for debt in London 1482. He was made Serjeant-at-law 1485,⁹ but never sumnd. to Parlt.

D. shortly before 10 Mar. 1494 when his writ *diem clausit* was sent to the eschr. of London;¹⁰ writ to eschr. of Hants, 24 Nov. 1494.¹¹ Will of Richard Jay, serjeant-at-law, dat. 7 Nov. 1493, mentions lands in Hants and St. Edmunds, London (P.C.C., 7 Vox). In June 1494 a house in London is in the King's gift by the death of Jane, widow of Richard Jay, serjt.-at-law. In June 1503, licence of entry for John, s. and h. of Thomas Jay and bro. and h. of Richard Jay in

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1460), 639.

² *Black Book of Southampton*, ii. pp. 96n, 116n, 155.

³ Cf. Stephen Jane, M.P. Launceston 1447.

⁴ *Plea Rolls*, East. 28 Hen. VI.

⁵ *Fine Roll*, 7 Edw. IV (m.18).

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/329.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 121.

⁸ *ibid.* vi. p. 426.

⁹ Haydn, *Dignities*.

¹⁰ *Fine Roll*, 9 Hen. VII (m.3).

¹¹ *ibid.* 10 Hen. VII (m.2).

Allington and Pymore, Dorset, which Richard Jay held of the enfeoffment of John Rogers (*d.* 1486). Downton was the borough of the Bp. of Winchester, Southwark was the bishop's manor where he had his Inn.

JAY see GAY.

JENNEY, (Sir) EDMUND (1444-1522); of Knoddishall and Theberton, Suff.; lawyer. M.P. Dunwich 1478, (? 1489-90).

S. and h. of Sir William Jenney M.P., serjt.-at-law (1418-83), by Elizabeth (Caus); *m. c.* 1465¹ Katherine da. of Robert Boys.²

Admtd. Lincoln's Inn 1463, auditor 1474-5, marshal 1475-6, autumn reader—but he showed the Society that he had divers infirmities and was excused—1480.³ Exör. of the will of Edmund Wydewell, 1479 (*q.v.*); J.P. Suffolk, of the quorum, 11 July 1478 to 12 Nov. 1520; on Suffolk comns. 1478-1507, including all those of 1483-4, and on gaol deliveries in Melton, Ipswich, Bury, Yarmouth; pardoned 22 May 1484.⁴ He mediated between Southwold and Dunwich, Feb. 1490; and the Parlt. of 1489-90 gave Southwold a charter by mediation of Sir Henry Haydon, James Hobart, John Yaxley (all lawyers and M.P.s) and Edmund Jenney;⁵ whence the theory that he sat in this Parlt. of 1489-90. His sons were also admitted to his Inn—William 1493, Christopher 1503.⁶ Kntd. between 12 Feb. 1501 and 8 Nov. 1502; Sheriff, Norf. and Suff., 1502-4. He and Sir Robert Southwell (*q.v.*) were exors. of the will of Elizabeth, widow of John Howard, duke of Norfolk, Dec. 1507. He took out a pardon 1507,⁷ and *d.* 26 Aug. 1522, when Francis, aged 8, s. of William (dec'd.) s. of Sir Edmund was his g.s. and heir; lands, Norfolk and Suffolk.⁸

JENNEY, JOHN (1395-1465); of Knoddishall, Suffolk; lawyer. M.P. Norwich 1453-4. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of William Jenney of the same and Maud; *m.* (1) Maud, da. and h. of John Buckley, by whom he had Sir William and Sir John, both M.P.s; (2) Margery;⁹ (3) Alice, who survived him.⁹

He was governor of Lincoln's Inn 1444-5 or 1448-9;¹⁰ and in the winter 1447/8 offences had been committed in Norfolk by Laurence Rainsford, John Jenney elder, William Jenney and John Jenney younger—his sons were already grown up. In Oct. 1450 William Wayte writes to John Paston:—"suggests that he should ordain that John Jenney or Limnour should be burgesses for Yarmouth in the coming Parliament";¹¹ but he was made sheriff 3 Dec. 1450-1; J.P. Norwich 1446 till death, though removed a while in Dec. 1447. J.P. Norfolk, of the quorum, 23 July 1454 till death. Counsel for John Knyvet in 1451. With

¹ Edmund and his father were feoffees in Norfolk, 3 Nov. 1465 and 16 Mar. 1473, probably in connection with Edmund's marriage settlement.

² Davy, Suffolk Colls., Add. MS. 19137.

³ *Black Book of Linc. Inn*, pp. 59, 60, 71.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 22 May 1484, as "of Knodeshale, Suff., esq., *alias* late of Theberton, Suff., gent., *alias* s. and h. of Sir William Jenney and his exor., *alias* late of London, *alias* exor. of Hugh atte Fenne (*q.v.*) (m.21)."

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1489), 300.

⁶ *Black Book of Linc. Inn*, 98, 130.

⁷ Pardon Roll, 24 Hen. VII, as of Knotsale, Suff., knt., s. and h. of William Jenney knt., and exor. of his will, *alias* exor. of will of Hugh Fenne, gent., *alias* J.P. Suffolk, *alias* late sheriff of Suffolk and Norfolk.

⁸ *Inq. p.m.* 15 Hen. VIII, Nos. 53, 58; vol. 40.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 33/295.

¹⁰ *Black Book of Linc. Inn*, p. 15.

¹¹ *Paston Letters*, i. 152.

the other Lancastrians he was on the pardon roll, 3 Nov. 1455, as "of Metefield, Suffolk, esq., *alias* late sheriff of Norfolk and Suffolk" (m.12).¹ According to his comms. of the peace he was dead 20 Feb. 1466 and alive 1 Apr. 1465.

JENNEY, JOHN, junior (1419-96); of Intwood,² Norf.; B.A.;³ lawyer; of Lord Cromwell's Council 1450; steward of the sheriff's court of Norwich.⁴

M.P. Norwich 1478, (? somewhere 1470-1).

Yr. s. of John Jenney of Knoddishall M.P. (1395-1465) by Maud (Buckley); and yr. bro. of Sir William Jenney M.P. (1418-83); *m.* Elizabeth da. of Thomas or Robert Wetherby, ald. of Norwich, by whom he had Thomas Jenney M.P. (1445-94).

Admtd. Lincoln's Inn 1434, auditor 1458, governor 1459-60, 1462-3, 1468-70, Lent reader 1470-1, governor 1473-4.⁵ He occurs committing offences in Suffolk with his brothers John elder and William, 1448; is called "young Jenney, which is of my lord Cromwell's counsell", 1450;⁶ wishes to be Parliamentary candidate for Norwich, 24 June 1455; J.P. Norf., of the quorum, 24 Nov. 1460 to 20 Feb. 1466⁷ and 2 Dec. 1473 to 10 Nov. 1475; on Norfolk comms. in 1460, 1462, and during the Readeption.

D. 18 Apr. 1496, when William, aged 28, s. of Thomas s. of John Jenney, was his g.s. and h.; lands—Norfolk.⁸

JENNEY, NICHOLAS (1460-1505); of Lincoln's Inn, lawyer. M.P. Dunwich 1491-2.

Yr. s. of Sir William Jenney M.P. (1418-83) by Elizabeth (Caus), and yr. bro. of Sir Edmund Jenney M.P. (1444-1522).

Admtd. to Lincoln's Inn, 20 July 1485;⁹ one of those put out of commons and fined 40*d.* for not preparing for the moot in hall, in consequence whereof the benchers had to do without; and in 1498/9 he again had to pay 40*d.* for not preparing for the moot.¹⁰

As he does not appear in the 1509 pardon, he was by then probably dead.

JENNEY, THOMAS (1445-93/6); of Intwood, Norfolk, gent.; lawyer.

M.P. Tavistock 1472-5; Norwich 1487, 1489-90.

S. and h. of John Jenney, junior, of same, M.P. (1418-96) by Elizabeth (Wetherby) of Norwich. His s. William was born 1467/8.

Entered Lincoln's Inn; master of the revels 1466, marshal 1473, benchner 1474, autumn reader 1475, Lent reader 1482, governor 1487-8, 1489-91.¹¹ Pardoned,

¹ Davy, Suffolk Colls., Add. MSS. 19137.

² John Jenney and Elizabeth his wife sued feoffees for the manor of Intwood (*Early Chan. Proc.* 17/136).

³ Davy (Add. MSS. 19137) calls him "Bachelor of Decrees."

⁴ In 1467/72 the sheriffs of Norwich were sued for malice shown by John Jenney, steward to the sheriffs, in delaying complainant's dismissal from prison (*Early Chan. Proc.* 46/393).

⁵ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, 33 to 57.

⁶ *Paston Letters*, i. 173.

⁷ On 13 May 1465 Margaret Paston writes to John Paston—wishes that John Jenney may be put out of the peace (*Paston Letters*, ii. 189), and he was.

⁸ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 32.

⁹ *Admn. Repr.* 23.

¹⁰ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, 102, 119.

¹¹ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, 76-90. In Trinity 1467 Thomas Jenney incited Robert Hillersdon (*q.v.*) to attack Robert Stanshaw—all members of Lincoln's Inn; and Jenney was put out of the Society "because he was the cause of the brawl" "by great and continuous labour and most humble submission" he was readmitted and fined 40*s.* (*ibid.* 43, 44).

1469/70, and, as he is there described as of Buckenham castle, he may have been already a servant of the Duke of Norfolk;¹ pardoned again, 5 Dec. 1470;² returned for Tavistock through the Norfolk influence 1472; feoffee of land in S. Erpingham, 1473, and (with Knyvett, Cornbury, and the late Duke of Buckingham) of Buckenham, Norf., 1480. He remained faithful to the Howards for, on 3 Oct. 1485, Elizabeth, countess of Surrey—her husband being in the Tower—wrote to John Paston asking him to give credence to Thomas Jenney.³ J.P. Norfolk, of the quorum, 31 Jan. 1485 till Bosworth Field; on Norwich gaol deliveries 1490-2, on Norfolk comns. 1491 and 1493. In 1491 the wardship of the Dacre lands in Sussex was granted to Sir William Knyvet (*q.v.*), William Paston and Thomas Jenney esq.⁴

His father died in 1496, when the grandson, William s. of Thomas, was h., aged 28; so that Thomas himself must have died 1493/6.

JENNEY (GENEY), (Sir) WILLIAM (1415-83); of Theberton, Suffolk. Serjeant-at-law 1463-83; Justice K.B. 1481-3. M.P. Horsham 1449-50; Dunwich 1450-1; SUFFOLK 1455-6, (? 1470-1); sumnd. 1483. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of John Jenney of Knoddishall, Norf. (1395-1465) M.P., by Maud (Buckle). His yr. bro. John was M.P. Norwich in 1478; and his two sons and nephew Thomas, all being of Lincoln's Inn and of Westminster, maintained the same traditions. *M.* (1) Elizabeth da. of Thomas or Richard Caus; and (2) Eleanor da. of John Sampson. She survived him and *m.* Robert Ingles, and *d.* in 1496.⁵ His sons Sir Edmund and Nicholas were both M.P.s, both lawyers, and he *m.* his das. to Sir Christopher Willoughby and Sir Robert Brewes.⁶

William Janey the elder was admtd. to Lincoln's Inn, 1427. In 1435 "Jenney the second" is to continue every vacation for the next four years. In 1436-7 William Genney was to audit the accounts of Bartholomew Bolney (*q.v.*), pensioner of the Inn; and in 1441-2 William Geney and William Gaynesford are to have their servants at the Inn at 14*d.* a week.⁷ He was Governor of Lincoln's Inn 1443-4, 1446-7, 1449-50, 1451-2, 1455-6, 1460-2. This may be presumed to be the elder and the M.P.

J.P. Norwich, 28 Oct. 1441 to 19 Mar. 1443; J.P. Suffolk, of the quorum, 20 Nov. 1445 to 22 Apr. 1448. He was removed from the bench in 1448 presumably because of certain "conspiracies" by William Jeney and others in Suffolk in the winter of 1447/8. In Oct. 1450 Wayte writes to John Paston suggesting John Dam (*q.v.*) or William Jenney as burgess for Norwich in the coming Parlt.,⁸ but he was returned for Dunwich; and in Nov. Jenney was clerk of the sessions in Norfolk. J.P. again 9 Oct. 1450 to 11 July 1478. He sat on many Suffolk comns. from 1452 to Aug. 1483, including all the Lancastrian ones of 1459-60; a Justice in *oyer* 1458; a Justice of Assize in Suffolk 1457. Jenney and John Paston senior were at variance in Oct. 1461. John Paston the youngest writes with sad delight to John Paston the elder:—"Yelverton and Jenney are like to be greatly punished

¹ Pardon Roll, 1469/70—late of Intewode, Norf., late of Bokenham castle, late of London, late of St. Andrews, Holborne (m.6).

² Pardon Roll, 5 Dec. 1470—late of Intewode, gent., late of New Bokenham, late of Bokenham castle, gent.

³ *Paston Letters*, iii. 323.

⁵ Davy, *Suffolk Colls.* Add. MSS. 19137.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1491), 336.

⁶ *Visitn. Norfolk*, 170.

⁷ *Black Books of Lincoln's Inn*, pp. 6-11.

⁸ *Paston Letters*, i. 152.

for because they came not hither to the King," Dec. 1462.¹ But the Pastons were always unlucky both with Yelverton and Jenney, and Jenney was made J.P. at Yarmouth in May 1462, an apportioner of the subsidy 1463,² and Serjt.-at-law in 1463.³ Under the Readeption he was a Suffolk comnr. and pardoned, 8 Feb. 1471,⁴ and on 14 Feb. he is first called definitely King's Serjeant-at-law. Perhaps he was in the 1470-1 Parlt., but he retained his office when Edward IV returned, and was added to the bench in Nhd., Yorks., Cumbd. and Westd. in 1471/4,⁵ and in Berks., Oxon. and Glos. counties in 1481/3. Made a justice of *oyer and terminer* 1473, and one of the Justices of the King's Bench, 14 May 1481, with a wage of 110 marks a year; re-apptd. 2 Apr. 1483 and again 26 June 1483 by Richard III. Kntd. the day before Richard's coronation, 5 July 1483; and *d.* in Dec. 1483. Sumnd. to Parlt., Dec. 1482, and probably in Apr. and Sept. 1483. A man of great power, made by the law.

JENNINGS (JENYN), BERNARD (1415-85); of Braboeuf in Guildford. M.P. Guildford 1447.⁶

S. and h. of Thomas Jenyn of Hants by an heiress of Dunston; *m.* Elizabeth, da. and h. of John Locksley of Surrey; and was succeeded by his eldest s. John, at Vann, and by his yr. s. Thomas (*d.* 1508/9) in Braboeuf and Polsted.⁷

In 1441 John Jenyn, presumably his brother, who claimed to be enfeoffed of Polsted jointly with Bernard, was sued for Polsted, Surrey, by Anne Bassett and John Weston, s. of Jane Colton—Anne and Jane being sisters and cohs. of Thomas Wintershull of Polsted. The Jennings seem to have made good their claim, for Thomas Jennings, s. of Bernard, held it at his death. In 1448 Bernard Jennings was summoned to Godalming Hundred Court to do fealty for Vann in Godalming, which manor was settled on him in tail male in 1476. Braboeuf was settled on him and his wife by Robert Danhurst (*d.* 1481, *s.p.*) representing the Locksley interest in Braboeuf.⁷ He was mayor of Guildford 1465-6, 1474-5, 1478-9.⁸

JENNINGS (JANYN), JAMES (1405-60); of Croydon, Surrey. M.P. East Grinstead 1431, 1432, 1433; Bletchingley 1435; Reigate 1437; Horsham 1442.

Perhaps related to Bernard Jennings M.P. Guildford (1415-85) and to John Janyn, mayor of Guildford 1442, 1435. There appears to be little doubt that Janyn is the mediaeval form of Jennings. As "of Croydon" he granted land there in 1446;⁹ as "of Croydon, yeoman, constable of Wallington Hundred," he was pardoned for being out with Cade, 1450; with his wife, Denise, he levied a fine concerning their property in Wallington and Carshalton, 1457.

¹ *Paston Letters*, ii. 122. ² Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV. ³ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, 38.

⁴ As "Serjeant-at-law, late of Theberton, Suffolk, gent., *alias* late of London."

⁵ Paston sued him for debt at Trinity 1471, but Jenney claimed privilege as Serjeant-at-law, that he could only be impleaded on an original writ issuing out of Chancery. And Jenney sued Paston for taking his cattle, and claimed that he had been kept from his clients and the practice of law in which he was erudite for the space of 4 years (*Year Book*, 49 Hen. VI, Selden Soc., xix).

⁶ John Jenin was Member for Guildford 1433-5, and James Janyn M.P. for Horsham in 1442.

⁷ *V.C.H. Surrey*, iii. pp. 4, 20-1, 35-6; Manning and Bray, *Surrey*, i. pp. 38, 87-8.

⁸ *History of Guildford*, 1801.

⁹ *Abstract of Muniments of Whitgift Hospital at Croydon*, per Sir Henry Lambert.

JEVANS, RICHARD. M.P. Bridport 1467-8.
Undiscovered.

JEW, JOHN (1405-70); of Whitefield in Wiveliscombe, Som. Servant to Sir Humphrey Stafford, earl of Devon. M.P. Bridport 1460-1.

S. and h. of John Jewe of "Wyflescombe", whose will was proved 1415, John the son being then under age.

He was given the keeping of Seavington (or Sevenhampton)-Denys, Som., for seven years, 1442, apparently on the mainprize of William Speke and Henry Fraunceys (*q.v.*), 6 July 1443;¹ elector, Somerset, 1449 (2), 1453, 1467. In 1463 Jewe and Clavisley are called "my officers and undersheriffs" in the will of Humphrey, lord Stafford (Earl of Devon) (*q.v.*)—they are to restore all that he and they have wrongfully taken. John Byconnel and they understand all his affairs.

His da. and eventual heiress Elizabeth died as wife of Robert Cappes and widow of Sir John Hody (*q.v.*) in 1473.

JEWKES (JOWKES), RALPH (1425-80); of Walkwood, Worcs., forester. Stafford of Grafton's servt. M.P. Worcester city 1478.

Nash calls him Jewkes, probably ancestor of the family of Jewkes of Wolverley, living there in the 17th century.² Ralph Joukes of Pershore, Worcs., yeoman, followed Stafford of Grafton in his raid on Stanton-Harcourt; and for this Humphrey Stafford (*q.v.*) and the rest were pardoned, *i.e.* Ralph Joukes, late of Walkwood, Worcs., forester, 23 Nov. 1450.³ In 1452/3 he was receiver in Blatherwick, N'hants., for the widow Dame Eleanor Stafford.⁴

JOBSON (JOPSON), THOMAS (1445-1500); ald. of Colchester. M.P. Colchester 1487, 1489-90, 1491-2.

Bailiff of Colchester 1481, 1485, 1487, 1490;⁵ alderman of Head ward 1489 onwards.⁶ On 1 Mar. 1494 an agreement was made whereby portions of certain rents were assigned to Thomas Jobson in part payment for his services as M.P.—£1 5s. 6d. had been already paid him, and he was owed £5 8s. 3d.⁷

JOCE see JOYCE.

JOHAN see JOHN.

JOHN, DAVID (1420-80); of Exeter and Dartington. M.P. Exeter 1453-4, (? 1470-1). Lancastrian.

He was on an Admiralty comm. with Richard Waller esq. in 1451. With Sir Robert Vere (*q.v.*), John Arundel, Thomas Gille (*q.v.*), he was commissioned to arrest various "troublers" in Cornwall and Devon, Apr. 1452; pardoned, 8 Oct. 1455, with other Lancastrians, "David Joon of Dertyngton, Devon, yeoman" (m.31). He may have supported the Radeption government, for he was pardoned, 1471, "of Dertyngton, Devon, yeoman, *alias* Davy John, of Volaton, Devon, gent., *alias* of Exeter, gent., *alias* late of London". He was bailiff of Exeter 1471-2, 1474-5; receiver or senior bailiff 1476-7; elector, Devon, 1472.

D. 1477/87, for he was a deceased feoffee in 1487⁸ of Butterford, Devon.

¹ Fine Roll, 21 Hen. VI, m.13.

² Williams, *Worcestershire M.P.s.*

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1450), 461. ⁴ Shrewsbury (Talbot) Colln. (T.24), *per* Miss E. Scroggs.

⁵ Rickword, *List of Officers*, 3.

⁶ Sir W. Gurney Benham, *Red Paper Book*, 104.

⁷ *ibid.* 126.

⁸ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. p. 132.

JOHN, HUGH ; of Bedford, yeoman. M.P. Bedford boro' 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1453-4.

Burgess and elector of Bedford, 1450 ; pardoned 15 Nov. 1453, as " Hugh John of Bedford, yeoman or husbandman " (m.14).

He is not the Sir Hugh John, poor knight of Windsor, recommended by the Duke of York as a match for Elizabeth Wydevile in 1452.

JOHN (JOHAN), Sir LEWIS (1385-1442) ; of West Horndon, Essex ; Receiver 1422-32, and Steward 1432-42, of the Duchy of Cornwall. M.P. Wallingford *and* Taunton 1413 (2) ; HAMPSHIRE 1414 (2) ; ESSEX 1420, 1426, 1437, 1439-40.

S. and h. of Richard Fitz-Lewis, by Elizabeth le Ba ; m. (1), in 1413, Alice da. of Aubrey de Vere, Earl of Oxford, widow of Sir Fras. Court, with whom he had Tytherley, Hants ; (2), in 1433, Anne da. and coh. of John Montague, earl of Salisbury, and widow of Sir Richard Hankford, who d. 1431.¹

He served with two men-at-arms and six foot archers in Henry V's retinue at Agincourt, 1415 ; sheriff, Essex and Herts., 1416-7, 1420-1 ; on Essex comns. in 1414, and from 1430 onwards—on Welsh comns. also ; from 1422 to 1432 he accounted for the Duchy of Cornwall,² but in these years he was still fighting in France,³ and was paid 12*d.* a day, Nov. 1432 till death ; J.P. Essex, 8 May 1435 till death. In 1433 he was succeeded by Robert Whittingham (*q.v.*) in his receivership of the Duchy, and, instead, the King's esquire, Lewis John, was made Steward of the Duchy of Cornwall and warden of the stannaries, taking £20 per annum. Sworn to the peace in Essex 1434 ; ordered on a mission to the King of Scots,⁴ but he tarried in Mdsx., Mar. 1436 ;⁴ steward of Havering-atte-Bower, 1438, as he had held it by grant of Queen Joan since 5 Mar. 1424. Early in 1438 Popham and Lewis John were sent to the Earl of Warwick in the council of Normandy and on to the Duke of Brittany, and they were to see to the governments and garrisons in Normandy and report ; kntd., on his return, 15 May 1439 ;⁵ in May 1441 the Council sent him to France with money for the payment of 150 spears, and he mustered the army at Honfleur.

D. 27 Oct. 1442, when Lewis John, aged 23, was his s. and h. ; lands—Mdsx., Herts., Essex. Will, dat. 2 June 1440, pr. 31 Dec. 1442.⁶

JOHN, (Sir) LEWIS (1419?-71) ; of West Horndon.⁸ Receiver of the Duchy of Cornwall, 1463-71. M.P. ESSEX 1459, (? 1470-1).

S. and h. of Sir Lewis John of same, M.P. (1385-1442), by Alice (de Vere). M. Margaret Stonor.

¹ *Comp. Peer.* v. 210 ; *Feudal Aids*, ii. 351, 372 ; vi. 450, 512, 535 ; *Cal. Pat R.* (1414), 232.

² *Enr. Accts.* F.3 H. VI. D., F.11 H. VI. C.

³ In Jan. 1431, order is made that Lewis John, of " Thornden," Essex, esq., who is about to go to France in the company of Cardinal Beaufort, shall not be prejudiced by the outlawry pronounced against Lewis John of Fowey, Cornwall, ship-man, the said Lewis John of " Thornden " being a different person. ⁴ *Foedera*, I. v. 27. ⁵ *Gregory's Chronicle*, 182.

⁶ To be bur. in the Abbey of Grace, London, " in a tomb which is ordained there for me." Mentions Alice, his former w., his sons Lewis, Edmond, Philip, Harry and John Fitz-Lewis ; his das. Margaret eldest, Elizabeth, Alice, and Margaret youngest (P.C.C., 14 Rous).

⁷ He was 23 at his father's death.

⁸ About 1443 Lewis FitzLewis esq., s. of Lewis John knt. sued the feoffees for the manor of West Horndon (*Early Chan. Proc.* 14/35).

Steward of Havering, Essex, in succession to his father, 1442; an elector, Essex, 1450 (called "FitzLewis"); pardoned 26 Oct. 1452; sheriff, Essex and Herts., 1457-8; pardoned, 20 Feb. 1459;¹ on the Lancastrian comn. of array, 21 Dec. 1459. The keepership of Fulbrook park, Warw., was granted him for life, 20 Nov. 1461; and, like his father, he seems to have been receiver general of the Duchy of Cornwall by 1463; on a piracy comn. in Cornwall, 1465; J.P. Essex, 12 Nov. 1465 till death; pardoned 1468 and 4 June 1470 under both names as of West Horndon *alias* late of London esq.

He adhered to Warwick throughout, probably even in 1459; sat on Readeption comns. for Essex in Oct. 1470; and was killed fighting at Barnet, when called "Sir Lewis Johns."² He was perhaps kntd. by Warwick during the Readeption and probably sat in that Parlt.

JOHNSON, OLIVER (1415-70); from Yorks. M.P. Steyning 1460-1. Yorkist.

With Anne his wife, widow of John Bekwith collector of 15th in Yorks., he was pardoned in 1447. Granted the office of packer of cloths packed by aliens in the coast of Dorset 1455, and in the same year he was granted the farm of the subsidy and ulnage on cloth in Notts.³ In 1430/57 Oliver Johnson and John Benson sued the bailiff of Colchester for hindering them in their office of packers of cloth at Ipswich, granted them by Letters Patent.⁴ In Nov. 1460 he was made keeper of the water of Fosse by York, with fees out of Yorkshire. He got this appointment while sitting in Parliament.

JOINOUR (JOYNOUR) *alias* VERN, RICHARD (1415-83); of London, grocer *alias* esq. Controller of the Mint 1450-2; Victualler and Collector.

M.P. Heytesbury 1450-1; Old Sarum 1453-4.

This grocer had lent money to the King by 1450, and the same man, as King's servant, was made Controller of the Mint in the Tower in place of Thomas Thorpe (*q.v.*), 21 May 1450. His loans were being repaid out of tunnage and poundage in London, 1450, and on 14 Apr. 1451 Merston and Joinour were to receive jewels from the Treasurer and pledge them for a fresh loan. He surrendered the office of Controller of the Mint, 2 Mar. 1452⁵—perhaps held it only as security for the money he was constantly advancing for the victualling of the Household. Pardoned, 7 Sept. 1452, as "grocer *alias* esquire." He was to have victualled Berwick in Aug. 1452, and Guisnes in 1453, but in each case he tarried in London and his letters of protection were revoked on 2 Dec. 1453. In Jan. 1454 he was victualling the Channel Islands for governor John Nanfan (*q.v.*); by 12 Dec. 1453 he and Hunte were made collectors of customs and subsidy in Ipswich (though he was then burgess for Old Sarum), which office was perhaps security for the overdraft. Pardoned again, 17 Jan. 1459.

On the arrival of Edward IV he was again pardoned, "citizen and grocer of London, *alias* Richard Vern late of London, gent., *alias* esq.", and during the

¹ As Lewis Fitz Lewis of West Horndon esq., *alias* Lewis John, late of Stebbing, s. and h. of Lewis Fitz Lewis kn't. (m.25).

² *Paston Letters*, iii. 4.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 17/198.

³ Fine Roll, 33 Hen. VI (m.20), 29 July 1455.

⁵ *Exchq. Accts.* 298/31; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1452), 529.

Readeption he seems to have taken responsibility for the board and lodging of the Royal family in the Westminster sanctuary. For the Abbot sued him for £133 which Joinour had agreed to pay for staying within the sanctuary. So much had he become resident at Westminster, that he was pardoned, 23 Nov. 1471, as "grocer of London, *alias* of Westminster esq." After this, three times he was outlawed for debt—to a Wiltshire merchant, to a London skinner and to a Suffolk gent. Though each time he was pardoned his outlawry, he must have ended in poverty soon after 1480, leaving no will. But he must surely be the first grocer to bear arms and an *alias*.

JOLLY (JOLYE), HUGH (1410-66); of Worcester, merchant. M.P. Worcester city 1447.

About 1440 Hugh Jolly was a trustee of John Bekynstaf in Worcs.; bailiff of Worcester 1448-9, 1452-3, 1457, 1464, spelt indifferently, "Foley", "Tolley" and "Jolye". He was an elector of Worcester city 1442, 1450, 1453, 1455 and for the county 1453 and 1455. William Jolly, doubtless his son, was an elector in the city in 1467. Pardoned Mar. 1460 as "of Worcester, merchant."

D. 1466; will, dat. 4 Dec. 1465, pr. 24 Oct. 1466. Hugh Jolly, citizen of Worcester. To be bur. with Christian burial; if in Worcester, in the Cathedral there. Bequests to his wife Isabel and to his sons William and Thomas, who are all made exors.¹

JOLYE see JOLLY.

JONES, NICHOLAS (1410-71); of Tetbury, Glos. M.P. Cricklade 1453-4.

Andrew Jones was M.P. Cricklade in 1386. In the Pardon Roll, 13 July 1437, appears "Nicholas Jones of Kidderminster, yeoman, etc., *alias* of Torkedene, Glos., yeoman" (m.7); and in that of 12 Oct. 1455 when Lancastrians were pardoned, "Nicholas Jones of Kidderminster, yeoman" (m.15). Also about 1435/44 Nicholas Jones of Kidderminster was sued. Much later, in July 1471, John Jones was granted all the goods of Nicholas Jones, late of Tetbury, Glos., gent., who had been indicted for the murder of John Lewes, being against Thomas, lord Lisle, at the time of his death (*i.e.* at Nibley Green, 20 Mar. 1470), for which Nicholas Jones made flight. It looks as though Nicholas Jones was killed in the troubles of 1470/1. Tetbury and Cricklade are not far apart.

JOPSON see JOBSON.

JOSCELYNE (JOSSELYN), Sir RALPH (1420-78); ald. of London, draper; and of Aspenden, Herts. M.P. London 1467-8.

Third s. of Geoffrey Joscelyne of Sawbridgeworth, Herts.;² m. (1) Philippa da. of Philip Malpas M.P., and (2) Elizabeth da. and h. of William Barkley (Berkeley)³ of Aspenden. She *rem.* Sir Robert Clifford.⁴

Exor. of will of Thomas Ayleysby, 1444; feoffee of Sir John Cheyne in Kent 1453; elector, London, 1450, 1478; ald. of London, 29 Nov. 1456 till death; master of Drapers' co. 1457-8; sheriff 1458-9; auditor 1464; mayor of London

¹ P.C.C., 15 Godyn.

³ *Letters of Margaret of Anjou*, 106.

² Kingsford, *Chronicle*, 319.

⁴ *Visitn. Herts.*, 228.

1464-5, 1476-7; kntd. at coronation of Queen Elizabeth, 26 May 1465; pardoned, 6 Mar. 1462, "mercht., alderman, draper" (m.32); and again 4 Nov. 1468, "knt., late mayor, late of Aspeden, Herts., and of Chaldewell, Essex, *alias* of Southwark" (m.24). Apptd. Justice for the Almayn merchants, 16 May 1466; one of the M.P.s to investigate charge against Hugh Brice 1467;¹ one of those sent by Common Council to Edward IV, Apr. 1470, and to guard the Tower and Henry VI, Sept. 1470;² J.P. Herts., 10 July 1471 to 10 Nov. 1475.

D. 25 Oct. 1478; from his elder bro. Thomas descend the Earls of Roden.

JOSEPH, JOHN (1420-86); of Romney, Deal and Calais. Recorder of Calais; soldier. M.P. Romney 1461-2. Lancastrian?

Bro. of Richard Joseph of Sandwich (*d.* 1499) and perhaps of that William Joseph who was secretary to Henry VI at the time of St. Albans, 1455;³ *m.* (1) Alice da. of William Holyngbroke of Romney,⁴ and (2) Katherine who survived him.

John was bailiff of Romney, 1442, 1460;⁵ the port paid him at various times—£3 6s. 8d. for going to Yarmouth 1454; 20s. for riding to the Council in London 1457; 20s. for his trouble about the new charter 1460.⁶ He was in favour "in the court of the mayor and bailiffs of Windsor" 1467/72.⁷ The following must refer to the same man:—Pardon 9 Aug. 1471, John Joseph, soldier, *alias* of Deal, gent., *alias* of Romney. In 1503 a public notary made deposition at Calais that:—John Joseph, secretary and recorder of Calais, made his will 20 Jan. 1486; and John s. of Richard Joseph is h. of the said secretary of Calais; another deposed that Katherine, widow of the secretary, held the lands for her life with contingent remainders to ——— and to John, s. of Richard bro. of John Joseph the secretary; another deposed that Richard Joseph died four years ago. In 1505 John Joseph of Sandwich petitioned that John Joseph of Calais, being seised of land at Deal settled it to his own use for life, with successive remainders to Robert his son in tail male, to William Fetherston (*q.v.*), and to the petitioner, John s. of Richard Joseph—and Robert Joseph and Fetherstone are dead without issue, and John Joseph of Sandwich claims as son of Richard.⁸

JOSKYN, JOHN (1410-61); of Gatesbury, Herts.⁹ Serjt. of the Bakery 1438-60. M.P. Steyning 1453-4. Lancastrian.

M. only da. of John Lavingham and Mary (Gatesbury).⁹

The King's servant, John Joskyn, groom of the bakery, was granted for life the office of keeper of Birtley, Nhd., May 1438; one of the 29 "of the Household" to share in a grant of forfeited goods, 1442; on a Herts. comn., 1451; elector, Kent, 1453, when elected for Steyning; (sub-?) eschr., Kent and Mdsx., 1452-3; pardoned, 13 Oct. 1455, as "late escheator"; and 2 Jan. 1458, as serjt. of the bakery, late eschr.; comnr. of array, Kent, Jan. 1460. Joskyn was made parker of Welde, Essex, forfeited by Salisbury, Jan. 1460; and receiver of Hitchen, also forfeit, Feb. 1460, and he was still serjeant of the bakery. He fought at Towton,

¹ *Rot. Parl.* ² *Jor.* 7, fos. 121, 213d, 223d.

³ Pardon Roll 1452. There were pardoned, 9 Nov. 1452, both Richard Joseph "of Sandwich" and William Joseph "of London" (m.4).

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 11/173.

⁵ Information from Romney Records, supplied by Miss Roper.

⁶ *Hist. MSS. Comn.* v. pp. 543-4.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 46/376.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1505), pp. 434-5.

⁹ *Ex inf.* R. K. Ledgerd.

where he was probably killed; attainted 1461;¹ attainder reversed for his son Edward in 1472.

JOWKES see JEWKES.

JOYCE (JOYS), JOHN (1440-85); ald. of Windsor. Keeper of Windsor keep 1474-85; lawyer. M.P. Windsor 1478.

In 1465/70 or 1480/3, John Joye was bailiff of the liberty of the bp. of London.² At Trinity term 1467, the King commanded the four Inns of Court to send four men armed to attend the King at the tournament between Lord Scales and the bastard of Burgundy—John Joys was one of the four sent by Lincoln's Inn.³ He was an alderman of Windsor by 1473, and as King's servitor was made keeper of the inner keep of Windsor castle with 4d. a day from 25 Mar. 1474.⁴ Elector, Mdsx., 1478, when returned for Windsor. Peter Warton was made keeper of the inner keep in his place by Henry VII, as from 22 Aug. 1485.⁵ Perhaps Joyce fell at Bosworth.

JOYCE (JOCE), RICHARD (1425-77); of Padstow, Cornwall, gent. Porter of St. Briavel. Lawyer. M.P. Truro 1467-8, (? 1461-2, and ? 1470-1).

S. and h. of Joyce Dayowe of Tregoz, Cornwall.⁶ On Cornish comns. 1461-72. Pardoned, 26 Mar. 1462, "of Padstowe, gent., *alias* of Sendey, *alias* late of London." Under sheriff of Cornwall 1460/5 when Remfry Arundel (*q.v.*) was sheriff. J.P. Cornwall, of the quorum, 17 Jan. 1471 to 1472, 3 Dec. 1473 to 9 Dec. 1474; pardoned, 12 Jan. 1472, "late of Padystowe, gent., *alias* Richard Joos of Segnt deye, Corn., gent." On 22 Nov. 1473 he and Richard Nanfan of Trethewy (*q.v.*) were mainpernors for Sir John Coleshill (*q.v.*) and John Arundel, clerk, and William Belknappe esq., for the keeping of "Penfentyngo" manor, Cornwall.⁷ He was dead 27 Nov. 1477, when a servant of Prince Edward was made porter of St. Briavel in his place.⁸

JOYCE (JOCE), WILLIAM (1430-85); of Bristol and Barnstaple, merchant. M.P. Poole 1478.

Unless a local (or Dorset) William Joce can be found this M.P. must be the merchant who was pardoned as "of Bristol" in 1452 and 1455, as "of Barnstaple, Taunton or Bristol" in Feb. 1462, who flourished down to 1470—perhaps s. of Robert Joyce, a Gloucester lawyer.

Or it may be a citizen of Exeter who was suing there in 1480/3⁹ and for land in Cornwall 1492;¹⁰ or a London haberdasher. Seeing how many were the Joyces one is almost tempted to suggest illegitimate union as an origin of the surname.

JOYNOUR see JOINOUR.

JOYS see JOYCE.

JURDELEY, JOHN (1430-70); of Eton, Bucks. M.P. Wootton Bassett 1459.¹¹

¹ His lands in Herts. were being farmed for the Crown in July 1461. Reference is made in 1464 to the manors of Gatesbury and Uphall in Braughing, Herts., forfeited by John Joskyn esq. in 1461. ² *Early Chan. Proc.* 33/222. ³ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, 45.

⁴ Tighe & Davis, *Annals of Windsor*, 400. ⁵ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 192.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 72/82. ⁷ Fine Roll, 13 Edw. IV (m.3). ⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1477), 58.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 61/284. ¹⁰ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiv. 267.

¹¹ Described on the 1459 return as "son of Thomas Jurdeley of Eton."

S. of Thomas Jurdeley of Eton,¹ who had seisin of land adjoining Eton college by Windsor, 1 Jan. 1422. He still held this land in 1455, when John s. of Thomas Jurdeley was one of the feoffees. John was returned for Wootton Bassett 1459; a feoffee in Windsor 1465/70;² a Bucks. county elector 1467. Evidently a Court nomination in 1459.

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KALE (KELE), HENRY (1455-1506); of Cambridge. M.P. Cambridge boro' 1504.

Treasurer of Cambridge 1489;³ J.P. Cambridge boro', 5 Nov. 1494 till death; mayor, 1500, 1505;⁴ bailiff 1502; on gaol delivery 1502, Aug. 1503, June 1504; elected M.P. Dec. 1503.

D. 1506; will, by which he grants two booths in Stourbridge to the town, after the death of his wife, on condition that they keep an obit for him.⁵

KEBLE (KIBBELL), ANDREW (1405-56/60); of London and Gravesend. Controller of the Pipe of the Exchequer 1439-54. M.P. Lyme 1449 (1); Melcombe 1449-50; Bridport 1455-6.

Bro. of Richard Keble of Gravesend.⁶ Searcher in the Thames at Gravesend, Dec. 1439;⁷ controller of the Great Roll of the Exchequer 1439 to 1454 for £10 a year;⁷ was granted the keeping of a croft called Pottattescroft or Bakerescroft in Stebbing, Essex, on the mainprize of Nicholas Parker and John Colard, 1443;⁸ granted in 1444 such "livery of vesture as the engrosser of the rolls of the Exchequer receives yearly at Christmas." As "of London, gent.", he was pardoned for Cade's rebellion, in which he can have taken no part. With Robert Chamberlain he granted lands in Peckham to feoffees, Feb. 1453; as of Kent, gent., he mainperned John Gloucester (*q.v.*), Mar. 1453.⁹ His place at the exchequer was taken by Robert Ingleton by Feb. 1455, and in Mar. 1455 he appeared at the Guildhall with Robert Basset, salter, and entered into a bond with the city chamberlain for £10.¹⁰ Returned for Bridport, Nov. 1455.

He was certainly dead by c. 1460 when his widow Catherine was sued by the exors. of John Somerseth (*q.v.*), late Chancellor of the Exchequer.¹¹

KEBLE (KIBBELL), THOMAS (1433-1500); of Humberstone, Leics.; Serjeant-at-Law. M.P. Lostwithiel 1478; (? 1484, 1485-6).

Admtd. Lincoln's Inn 1451;¹² J.P. Leics., of the quorum, 24 Oct. 1474 till death; associated with both Hastings and Catesby and nephew of Billing C.J. (*q.v.*); exor. of William Moton (*q.v.*) 1482; on Leics. comms. from the subsidy of 27 Apr. 1483, including all of Richard III. He was acting as arbitrator for the mayor of Nottingham, July 1484;¹³ pardoned at the rising of the 1484 Parlt. 28 Feb.

¹ See note 11 on p. 507.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/56.

³ Cooper, *Annals*, i. 235.

⁴ Carter, *Hist. of Cambridge*, 57; J. Milner Gray, *Biog. Notes on Mayors of Cambridge*, 21.

⁵ Cooper, *Annals*, i. 285.

⁶ He was sued, as bro. and exor. of Richard Kebell, for a messuage in Gravesend (*Early Chan. Proc.* 16/581).

⁷ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

⁸ Fine Roll, 21 Hen. VI (m.5). The origin of this strange croft-name is not discussed in the Essex vol. of the Place Name Society. It seems that we were wrong about Raleigh, potatoes and German black bread.

⁹ Fine Roll, 31 Hen. VI (m.18).

¹⁰ *Letter Book K.* 367.

¹¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 25/17.

¹² ——— Kibbell (Admn. Register).

¹³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 392.

as "of Humberston, Leics., gent., *alias* late of London, *alias* late of Ashby de la Zouche" (m.27); and again by Henry VII, 12 Dec. 1485.¹ Keble was made a serjeant-at-law Sept. 1485; was sued by Catesby's heirs, June 1488; associated with Sir James Blount (*q.v.*), Nov. 1488; endowed Laund Priory 1491; apptd. a Justice of Assize in the Northern counties, 1 Feb. 1494; J.P. four Northern counties 1494 till death; pardoned 15 July 1496; a feoffee of the King's will, 1496, when called "King's Serjeant-at-law."

D. 26 June 1500, when Walter, aged 14, was s. and h.; lands—Leics.² Mary, widow of Edward, lord Hastings, da. and h. of Sir Thomas Hungerford was his exix. and made guardian of his son. Will,³ dat. at "Humburston", 25 June 1500, pr. same year—"King's Serjeant-at-law."

KEKE, JAMES. M.P. Warwick boro' 1491-2.

Probably one of the Keeks of Long Marston, Glos. Sir Thomas Phillipps printed pedigrees of them.⁴

KELCY see KELSEY.

KELKE (KELLE), RICHARD. M.P. Grimsby 1497.

This name should probably be Kelke—a Lincs. family of Barnetby and Grimsby.⁵ A Robert Kelk of Beverley, esq., was a feoffee in Yorks. 1472.⁶

KELLY, JOHN (1410-65); of Bodmalgan. M.P. CORNWALL 1447.

S. and h. of Thomas Kelly of Southwyke, Devon, by Margaret da. and h. of John Moyle of Bodmalgan;⁷ *m.* Jane, da. and h. of John Austell of Stoodley, Cornwall.⁷ He was pardoned, as were many Lancastrians, 1 Nov. 1455, "of Suthwyke, Devon, esq." (m.25).

D. 12 Dec. 1465, when Edith, aged $\frac{1}{2}$ year, da. of Thomas son of John Kelly was his "cousin" and heir.⁸

KELLY, JOHN (1410-87); of Penrhyn, and of Exeter. M.P. Truro 1447.

S. and h. of Richard Kelly of Kelly (*d. c.* 1450), by Jane Bratton; *m.* (1) Julia da. and coh. of Robert Wilford, an Exeter merchant and shipowner, by whom he

¹ Pardon Roll, 12 Dec. 1485, as of Humburston, esq., *alias* late of London, gent., *alias* J.P. Leics. (m.1).

² *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii., No. 497.

³ To be bur. at Humberston with wives Margaret and Anne and my kind cousin Richard Hotoft and my s. Edward. Bequests to churches and colleges of Newark. Provides for old servants of his father and mother. S. Walter to be good and virtuous and be good to my Lady Hastings his godmother and to my lord her s. and my lady Hungerford my lord's w., and kind and loving to my kinsfolk, friends and lovers. To s. Walter all books of Scripture, Law, Chronicles and Stories and all my other books in Latin, French or English to the intent that he shall the rather apply him to virtue and cunning . . . and the chain of gold that was my fathers and my mothers . . . and lands bought when he attain age of 24, under guidance of the Exors. To Lady Hungerford, the book of Frosard. Bequests to Mrs. Elizabeth Ferrers, my brother Palmer (*q.v.*), cousin Thomas Cotton the elder, niece Rose Kebell, etc., to Scholars of Oxford and Cambridge. Houses and house for priest of Hotofts Chantry. Prayers for my good lord William, late Ld. Hastings. Wife Margaret to have all things the law alloweth. All to s. and heirs, remainder to Thomas Kebell, to right heirs of my mother, to Dame Mary Billing my aunt. His cousin Richard Hotoft had left him lands in Stretton, etc., Leics. Exors. :—Lady Mary Hastings and Hungerford, Margaret my w., Mr. Robert Moore, canon of Lincoln, and Thomas Cotton esq. (P.C.C., 3 Moone).

⁴ *Ex inf.* W. Fowler-Carter.

⁵ *Fosters of Moulton, Lincs.*; *per* Canon Foster.

⁶ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 273.

⁷ *Ex inf.* Mr. Kelly of Kelly.

⁸ *Inq. p.m.* 5 Ed. IV, No. 24.

had Jane who *m.* Richard Druell (*q.v.*); (2) Jane da. of William de Palton of UMBERLEIGH; (3) Jane da. of Henry Fortescue of Treaton, by whom he had one s., Oliver.¹

Bailiff of Exeter, 1437; mayor 1458, 1461, 1478; pardoned 1472, as of Exeter, merchant, *alias* mercer (m.25). D. 11 May 1487, buried in St. Petrock's of which he was churchwarden.

KELSALE, HENRY (1440-93); of Reading, clothier. M.P. Reading 1483 Oct., 1487.

Bro. to Roger Kelsale (*q.v.*). A draper of London sued Henry Kelsale of Reading in 1475/85 for employing his apprentice.² With William Hart (*q.v.*) and Richard Cleche (*q.v.*) he was a feoffee of property in Reading, 1490.³

D. 1493. Will, dat. 12 Nov. 1493, pr. 1493—Henry Kelsale of Reading, clothier.⁴ No issue.⁵ The brothers Roger, Henry and Thomas all came from Cheshire.

KELSALE, ROGER (1435-85); of Southampton. Yeoman of the Crown 1461-83. M.P. Southampton 1478, 1483 (Jan.).

Bro. of Henry Kelsale, clothier of Reading M.P. (1440-93).

He was a yeoman of the crown with a wage of 6*d.* a day drawn from the fee-farm of Norwich from 15 July 1461 till 1483—exempted from resumption in all Acts, 1461, 1464, 1467, 1472.⁶ He had been granted the bailivy of Broxstow hundred, Chesh., by 1467,⁷ and first appears on the King's service in Southampton—taking carpenters, ordnance and ships—1472; dealt with illegal shipments in Hants 1474; was joined with the sheriff to arrest certain merchants, 1475. He remained faithful to the King's family, was a leader in the Duke of Buckingham's rising in Berks., 1483; attainted 1484 as of Southampton, yeoman;⁸ attainder reversed 1485.⁹

D. 1485; will dat. 10 Oct. 1485, pr. at Canterbury, no date. To be bur. in Beaulieu monastery, "late yeoman of the Crown with K. Edw. IV." Goods, one-third for his soul, one-third for his children, one-third among his friends. Exors. :—"My brother Harry Kelsale of Reading, and Richard Dagenhale."¹⁰

KELSEY (KELCY), ROBERT (1410-65); of Cumberland and of Crayke, Yorks. M.P. Appleby 1447.

With Alice his wife, exix. of Robert Wynnynton, he was sued by William Farendon knt. in 1443/50 for money received by Wynnynton as Farendon's attorney.¹¹ In 1448/9 Robert Kelsey had a 40 year lease of the manor of Crayke, North Riding, at £40 a year from the bp. of Durham. The keeping of Lanarthen manor, Yorks., was granted to James Strangways knt. (*q.v.*) and Robert Kelsy, on the mainprise of Robert Drax of Yorks., gent., and of Nicholas Lyghtollers

¹ *Ex inf.* Mr. Kelly of Kelly. ² *Early Chan. Proc.* 66/257. ³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 209.

⁴ To be buried in St. Lawrence's, Reading. Bequest to ch. of Knutsford. Lands in Reading to bro. Thomas Kelsale. Lands late of Thomas Payne in Southampton to Thomas, remainder to bro. Roger Kelsale (*q.v.*). Founded chantry for his soul, trustees—Richard Cleche, draper, John Langham, ironmonger, Stephen Dunstan, draper, William True, yeoman, John Wylcokkes, Chandler and fishmonger, Richard Smith, gent., John Roger and others. Bequests to Charles and Elizabeth, children of Roger. Exors. :—bro. Thomas Kelsale, Ralph White of Wokingham (P.C.C., 5 Vox).

⁵ Kerry, *Municipal Church of St. Laurence, Reading*, has much more about this man (*Ex inf.* E. N. Dormer). ⁶ *Rot. Parl.* v. 474, 536, 594; vi. 16, 87. ⁷ *ibid.* v. 610.

⁸ *ibid.* vi. 246. ⁹ *ibid.* vi. 273. ¹⁰ *Cant. Prob. Reg. R.*, f. 32. ¹¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/1.

of London, gent., 27 Nov. 1450.¹ As "of Cumberland" and as "of the bishopric of Durham" he mainperned William Claxton in 1455.² In Oct. 1455 a comn. was issued to Robert Kelsy, Richard and Thomas Weltden and Nicholas Ridley (the last three being M.P.s for Northumberland) in connection with the earl of Northumberland's land in that county.

KELSEY (KELCY), WILLIAM. Retainer of Earl of Warwick. M.P. Poole 1467-8.

In June 1463 such a man appears last of the feoffees of Richard, earl of Warwick—all the others being known to be of his Council.³ Poole borough was controlled by Warwick or Clarence at this time.

KEMBLE (KEMELL), WILLIAM (1415-78); of Shatton by Cricklade and Wodehill, Wilts. M.P. Cricklade 1450-1.

Perhaps s. of Richard Kemell, coroner of Glos. in 1433. In 1460/5, the parson of Castle Eaton sued William Kemell and others of Cricklade for carrying off his money and goods from the parsonage of Castle Eaton.⁴ In 1445 William Kemell of Wodehill, Wilts., was one of the collectors of the 10th and 15th voted in the Parliament of that year.⁵ He was still living in 1465 when William Keymell jun. was a feoffee in Chippenham.⁶ Probably it is he who died shortly before 10 Feb. 1478, when the writ *diem clausit* was directed to the eschrs. of Hants and Wilts. *re* William Keynels.⁷

KEMEYS (KEMMYSE), JOHN (1405-76); of Syston, Glos. M.P. GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1450-1.

Third s. of John ap Jevan ap Kemeys; *m.* (1) Margaret (*d.* 1460) da. and coh. of Sir Maurice Russell of Kingston-Russel and widow of Sir Gilbert Denys of Syston, Glos., *d.* 1422;⁸ and (2) 1460/3 Eleanor.⁹ His s. William by Margaret Russell must have been born before 1430 since William's yr. bro. Roger was M.P. in 1450.

He was sworn to the peace in Glos. in 1434; on a comn. *re* piracy in Glos. 1440; eschr., Glos., 1442-3; elector, Glos., 1447, 1449 (1), 1455 and 1460; elector, Heref., also in 1460; pardoned, 1 Mar. 1456, as of Syston, Glos., esq., *alias* of Clifton, Glos. (m.5). He conveyed property in Bristol to his bro. Thomas in 1464 and 1468; founded a chantry in St. Philip's church where there is still a "Kemeys aisle."¹⁰

D. 3 Aug. 1476, when William, aged 40, was his s. and h. Lands—Glos. and Wilts.

KEMEYS (KEMYS), ROGER (1430-85); cadet of Syston, Glos. Lawyer. M.P. Westbury 1450-1.

Yr. s. of John Kemeys M.P. (1405-76) by Margaret (Russell); *m.* Alice da. and h. of William Arthur of Bedminster, Bristol, which explains the christian name

¹ Fine Roll, 29 Hen. VI, m.2y.

² 8 Mar. 1455, Robert Bulock of Berkham, Berks., and Robert Kelsy of Cumberland, gent., went mainprise for William Claxton. On 3 Aug., 1455 John Malyverer of Alverton-Malyverer, Yorks., esq. and Robert Kelsy of the bishopric of Durham went mainprise for William Claxton (Fine Roll, 33 Hen. VI, mm.8 & 6). ³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1463), 270.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/44.

⁵ Fine Roll, 23 Hen. VI (m.8).

⁶ Fine Roll, 5 Edw. IV (m.12).

⁷ Fine Roll, 17 Edw. IV (m.16).

⁸ Miss G. Scott Thompson, *Two Centuries of Family History*, 327.

⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1463), 286.

¹⁰ *Ex inf.* C. Roy Hudleston.

of his younger son.¹ However far back we stretch the birth of his elder brother, it is not possible that Roger was of age when returned for Westbury—nor need he have been (see Stourton and Long).

Eschr., Glos. and the Marches, 1455-6; J.P. Glos., of the quorum, 8 Feb. 1468 to Nov. 1470, 1471 to 28 May 1481. And on Glos. comms. 1450 to 1474. In 1460 he was a feoffee for John Daniel of Thornbury, Glos.² In 1463 he was an apportioner of the subsidy in Glos. when M.P.s were excluded from the appointment.³ In 1475/80 he was being sued by Morgan Jenkyn on an agreement made about the marriage of their children.⁴ But by 1482 he was an idiot. Grant to Arthur Kemeys, gent., son of Roger Kemeys who is an idiot.⁵

D. 3 Jan. 1485, when John, aged 8, was his g.s. and h.—s. of John s. of Roger. Lands—Glos.

KEMP, JOHN. M.P. Truro 1491.

In 1513 a John Kemp, master of the *Great John the Baptist*, was paid for fetching cables from Sandwich. He was master, under Sir Thomas Wyndham, captain, of various R.N. ships.⁶ Seeing Truro's position as a port it is possible that Kemp the sailor was also Kemp the member.

KEMPSTON, THOMAS (1395-1457/8); of Bedford, gent. M.P. Bedford boro' 1421, 1422, 1425, 1429-30, 1431, 1432, 1433, 1435, 1437, (1439-40 ?), 1442, 1450-1.

Perhaps s. or g.s. of Roger Kempston, M.P. Bedford 1388; *m.* Alice, widow of Thomas Paventon, barber of London.⁷

A feoffee for Thomas Rufford in Bucks., 1433; pardoned Mar. 1439 and again 1446—always as "of Bedford, gent."; mayor 1446-7, 1448-9; elector, Bedford, 1447, 1449 (1); pardoned his outlawry for not appearing *re* his administration of the estate of Agnes Hamwell, 1450.

D. 1457/8; will, dat. 2 Nov. 1457, pr. 19 Mar. 1458. Mayor of Bedford; to be bur. in St. Paul's, Bedford; leaves his house in Bedford where they lived to his w. Alice. Exors.:—the Lord Abbot of "Wardon" and Sir Gervase Clifton.

KENDALE, JOHN (1430-89); of Bridgwater, merchant. M.P. Bridgwater 1467-8, 1472-5, 1478, (? 1469, 1470-1, 1483 (1)).

Mr. Bruce Dilks thinks he is the John Kendale gent., mayor of Taunton 1472, who occurs there from 1459 onwards. The Bridgwater Council paid him in 1467 for renewing "our common charter", and twice paid for wine at Mr. John Kendall's.⁸ The new charter was granted 18 June 1468 and he was mayor of Bridgwater 1468/9, 1471/2, 1480-1, 1482-3; on Somerset comms. 1469, July 1472, 1474, June 1483; pardoned 1471/2, "of Bridgwater, merchant, exor. of will of Humphrey Stafford (*q.v.*), earl of Devon";⁹ apptd. deputy butler at Bridgwater

¹ *Visitn. Glos.* p. 98.

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 287.

³ *Fine Roll*, 3 Edw. IV.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 54/116.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1482), 302.

⁶ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, I, parts i and ii.

⁷ On 6 Dec. 1462 his widow Alice, formerly w. of Thomas Paventon, citizen and barber of London, and formerly w. of Richard Whatton, late of London, appears on the Pardon Roll.

⁸ *Bridgwater C.D.* 926 and 1667.

⁹ When Humphrey Stafford, of Enmore by Bridgwater, earl of Devon, was beheaded by the Nevills at Bridgwater in Oct. 1469, Kendall, probably then mayor, was one of his exors. (*Som. Rec. Soc.* xvi, 201). But the will and the appointment as exor. were made years before the murder.

13 Feb. 1478 while M.P. In 1479 he and his wife Maud entered into a confraternity with the Friars Minor of Bridgwater and Dominican Friars of Ilchester.¹ In 1483 feoffee for Sir Richard Chokke, Justice C.P.

D. 1489; will, dat. 1489, provides for burial in parish church Bridgwater; his w. Maud exix. and residuary legatee, with reversion to s. William Kendale.²

KENDALE, RICHARD (1415-70); of Lostwithiel, shipowner. M.P. Lostwithiel 1442, 1449-50, 1455-6, and (? 1461-2), (? 1463-5).

S. of Stephen Kendale³ of Treworgey (M.P. Lostwithiel 1417); m. Jane da. of Richard Penpons.⁴

Pardon to Richard Kendale of Lostwithiel, gent., for the death of E. Pery, chaplain, 8 Sept. 1440; for Pery and 24 more lay in wait to murder Stephen Kendale and Christine his wife, and Richard, their son; and Richard hit back and killed the man. Elector, Cornwall, 1449 (1), 1453 and 1467; on a gaol delivery, 1449, and a piracy comn. 1456. In Dec. 1450 he was ordered to arrest ships in Plymouth and Dartmouth for the passage to Aquitaine of Lord Rivers and his troops. He was one of the Lostwithiel men to be arrested, July 1452; part owner of a pirate ship, *Le Barke* of Fowey, 1453; pardoned, Oct. 1455, as of Lostwithiel, gent., late of London—he had just been elected; pardoned again, Aug. 1462, with another Lostwithiel M.P. as Richard Kendale of Lostwithiel, gent.—so that he may have been again M.P. in 1461-2.

KENET (KENNET), WILLIAM (1420-82); of Sandwich. M.P. Sandwich 1461-2.

A William Kenet of Bonnington, Kent, was sworn to the peace in Kent 1434—perhaps his father. Mayor of Sandwich Dec. 1461-2 while M.P.,⁵ 1467-8; at the coronation of Queen Elizabeth, bearing the canopy, 1465.⁶ In 1467/8 a shipowner of Portugal sued the captain of Dover castle for arresting him pending an action brought against him by William Kenet, mayor of Sandwich, and others before the said mayor himself.⁷

D. 1482. Will, dat. 11 Oct., pr. at Canterbury 26 Nov. 1482. To be bur. in St. Clements, Sandwich. Bequests to eld. son John, John's w. Jane, w. Agnes, s. Walter, John's sons William and John. Walter to have Stathyingbergh in Eastry; John, tenements in Sandwich in "Tareshestrete." House he lives in and residue to w. Agnes, and she exix.⁸

KENNINGTON, JOHN. M.P. Oxford boro' 1459.

The name does not occur in *Munimenta Civitatis Oxonie*. Kennington is in Berks., about 3 miles from Oxford.

¹ Bridgwater C.D. 108 and 109.

² *Ex inf.* T. Bruce Dilks.

³ There is a Chancery suit of 1451 wherein Stephen and Richard Kendale and John Lowe sue Udy Vyvyan, the husband of Maud, late the wife of Thomas Kendale, for the profits of tin works in Cornwall (*Early Chan. Proc.* 18/76).

⁴ Vivian, *Cornish Pedigrees*, 258.

⁵ Elected by Court of Brotherhood of Cinque Ports to give serement or oath to Warwick at his installation as Lord Warden, 22 Feb. 1462 (V. Ports Records at New Romney).

⁶ Boys, *Sandwich*, i. 414.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 45/140.

⁸ Cant. Prob. Reg. A. iii, ff. 479-80.

KENT, SIMON (1400-55); of Reading. M.P. Reading 1447, 1449 (1), 1449-50.

Coroner of Berkshire, removed 12 July 1430, being busied elsewhere.¹ He was paid 20s. by the Corporation for his expenses to London, 1440; one of the taxers of Reading, 1442; one of three elected for mayor, but not selected by the abbot, 1446. In Aug. 1449 Kent and Lodbrook, the burgesses to Parlt., asked to have 10 marks sterling for their expenses at the Parlt. held at Winchester.² He was again one of the three elected, but not selected for mayor in Sept. 1450; and he had a vesture for riding with the mayor to the King, Jan. 1453.³

KESTEVEN (KETSTONE), THOMAS (1435-95); of Stamford, draper. M.P. Stamford 1483 Jan.

A Stamford elector 1467; alderman (*i.e.* mayor) 1469, 1486;⁴ justice of gaol delivery, Stamford, 1478; a draper of Stamford, 1491.

KESTON, RICHARD (1425-72/3); of London from Leics. King's Serjeant 1461-72/3. M.P. Heytesbury 1453-4. Yorkist.

Apptd. King's Serjeant with 12*d.* a day, 18 July 1461; 20 marks were owed to Richard Keston of London, gent., 1463; "our right wellbeloved servant Richard Keston squire" was exempted from resumption in respect of his grant of the horsemill in the swine-market at Leicester, 1467/8.⁵

D. 1472/3, for William Cheyne was made Serjeant-at-Arms in his place, 7 Apr. 1473. Will of Richard Kesteyn esq., dat. 26 Nov. 1472, pr. 26 Mar. 1473. To be bur. with Jane his w. in the Friars Minor, London. Gifts to Dartford, Kent; Shalford, Essex; and Newark, Leics. His bro. William Kesteyn was canon of Kirby-Bellers, Leics.; his bro. Harry to have lands at Laughton. Prayers for his soul and for that of William Grantham. A bequest to Christopher Schok, his wife's brother. Land in Aldrichgate street to Elizabeth his w. Exors.:—w. Elizabeth, his bro. Harry, gent. of London, and Robert Portington of the King's Exchequer.⁶ Probably his friends in the Exchequer made him M.P. in 1453.

KETSTONE see KESTEVEN.

KEYLE, JOHN (1430-95); of Sherborne, Dorset, esq. M.P. Dorchester 1472-5.

Perhaps son of another John Kayle who occurs on a Dorset jury 1432.⁷ A licence giving the boundaries of Sherborne mentions the tenement of John Kyll, 1454.⁸ He occurs on Dorset Inquest juries, 1478.⁷ D. just before 27 May 1495, when writs *diem clausit* were issued to the eschrs. of Somerset, Dorset and Devon.⁹

KEYNSHAM, JOHN (1430-1501); of Cambridge. M.P. Cambridge boro' 1455-6.

A Cambridge elector 1453; bailiff of Cambridge 1483; mayor 1487, 1488; J.P. Cambridge 26 Jan. 1493. In 1494 the receipts of the treasurer of Cambridge include 12*d.* from John Keynsham for a certain footbridge upon the King's ditch against the Nun's close.¹⁰ He died 1501. An *obit* was to be kept at Barnwell for

¹ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1430), 4.

² Guilding, *Reading Diaries*, i. 32.

³ *ibid.* i. 40.

⁴ Drakard, *Hist. of Stamford*, 100.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* v. 603.

⁶ P.C.C., 8 Wattys.

⁷ *Ex inf.* Miss Bates-Harbin.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1454), 148.

⁹ *Fine Rolls*, 10 Hen. VII (m.3).

¹⁰ Cooper, *Annals of Cambridge*, i. 243.

himself and wife Jane. He left a house in Bridge st. for this purpose. The *obit* came to an end with the dissolution of the convent, but as late as 1688 the Mayor and Corporation annually indulged in a "jenckett" at Barnwell Abbey.¹

KIBBELL see KEEBLE.

KIGHLEY (KYGHLEY), HENRY (1391-1473); of Inskip or Lightshaw, Lancs. M.P. LANCASHIRE 1439-40, 1445-6.

S. and h. of Sir Richard Kighley of Inskip, who was slain at Agincourt.²

Pardoned outlawry for not appearing, 1427; party to a recognisance with Sir John de Kyghley, 1431;³ sworn to the peace in Lancs., together with Sir John de Kighley of Walton, 1434; elector, Lancs., 1450; founded a chantry at Hesilwood, Yorks., as an exor. of the will of Henry Vavasour, 1453.

D. 1473, and the exors. of his will were Constance, his widow, and James, Ralf and Christopher Kyghley.⁴

KIGHLEY, JOHN (1420-65); of London, gent. M.P. Lyme Regis 1453-4.

A John Kyghley was granted the keeping of a messuage in Seton in Holderness, 13 Nov. 1445;⁵ with Joyce his wife, late widow of William Legh, he accounted for the forfeited goods of the said William;⁶ he sued Henry Chinnore of London for not rendering an account of the time when he was his receiver, 8 May 1453;⁷ pardoned as gent. of St. Botolph's outside "Aldrichgate", London, 1455 and 1458. He cannot be Sir John Kyghley of Yorks. who was kntd. by 1430, but he may be his son.

KILLINGHOLME, JOHN (1400-53); of Hull. M.P. Hull 1449 (1).

Killingholme is in Lincolnshire, and in 1433 John Bedford, mayor of Hull, entertained John Killingholme who brought his family to Hull upon a visit,⁸ and the same year John Killingholme was a mainpernor for the Hull Members.

D. 1452/3; will, dat. 9 Sept. 1452, pr. at York 1 June 1453 (2.272).⁹

KINGDON (KYNGDOM), EDWARD (1425-85); of Tremunsey, Cornwall. Yeoman of the Crown 1461-85. M.P. Liskeard 1467-8.

2nd s. of Roger Kingdon of Tremunsey in Quithick (1393-1471) by Jane, and bro. of William Kingdon, M.P. Liskeard.

Kingdon was made yeoman of the Crown with 6*d.* a day out of Bridport, 25 July 1461; bailiff of Bagshot in Windsor, Dec. 1461; bailiff of "Quedyk," Cornwall, 1462. This yeoman of the Crown had his wage exempted in 1461, 1464, 1467 and 1473. Pardoned, 27 Jan. 1471, "of Tremunsi in Quedyk, yeoman." He surrendered the bailiwick of Bagshot in 1474; but, still yeoman of the Crown, he was granted the fishery of Exe in Nov. 1478, and his grants of the 6*d.* wage, the bailiwick of Quetioc and the fishery of Exe were confirmed to him by Richard III in 1484.

¹ J. Milner Gray, *Biog. Notes on Mayors of Cambridge*, p. 20.

² Aged 24 at his father's death (H. Hornyold-Strickland).

³ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 110.

⁴ *Ex inf.* H. Hornyold-Strickland.

⁵ Fine Roll, 24 Hen. VI.

⁶ *Lists and Indexes*, xxxv. p. 314 (Bundle 515, No. 18).

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1453), 10.

⁸ *Ex inf.* A. S. Harvey.

⁹ See also will of Jane Killingholm of Lincoln, pr. in P.C.C. 1450 (19 Rous).

As he was not exempted by the 1485 Parliament, he had lost favour, or his post, or was dead.

KINGDON, WILLIAM (1425-60); cadet of Tremunsey, Cornwall, gent. M.P. Liskeard 1453-4.

Probably one of the eleven sons of Roger Kingdon of Tremunsi in Quithick (1393-1471) by his wife Jane.¹ Edward Kingdon M.P. Liskeard 1467 would be his brother.

KINGSMILL (KYNGGESMYLL), JOHN (1465-1509); of Freefolk, Hants. Justice of C.P. 1503-9. M.P. Heytesbury 1491-2; sumnd. 1504.

S. and h. apparent of Richard Kingsmill of Barkham M.P. (1440-1511);² *m.* Constance da. of John Goring,³ and/or Jane da. of Sir John Gifford of Ishill, Glos. (*q.v.*).⁴

Entered Middle Temple; on comn. Hants, 1491; of *oyer* in Midlands, May 1493; J.P. Hants, 28 Feb. 1493 till death; J.P. temporarily in 15 counties, 1493; serjeant-at-law 1494; King's serjt.-at-law, 1497; Justice C.P. 1503 and again added to the bench in many counties; subsidy comnr., Hants, apptd. in Parlt. 1504.

D. 1509; will of John Kingsmill of Freefolk, Hants, gent., one of the King's justices of the common pleas, dat. 12 Mar., pr. 20 May 1509. To be bur. "where it pleases God and such persons that shall minister for me." To his father Richard Kingsmill, 300 sheep called "wedders". Jane his w. residuary legatee and exix. "I bequeath to Doctor Colet, dean of Pauls, 20s. to pray for my soul." Witnesses—John Skelling, gent., Richard Waller, gent. (*q.v.*), and Sir Thomas Herbert, priest.⁵

KINGSMILL, RICHARD (1440-1511); of Basingstoke or of Barkham, Berks.; grazier; Keeper of Ludgershall. M.P. Ludgershall 1472-5.

S. and h. of William Kingsmill of same, dead in 1476;⁶ *m.* Amy da. of Robert Inkpen of Longparish, Hants,⁷ who predeceased him; his s. John (1465-1509) was M.P. for Heytesbury and a judge.

In 1463 he was an assessor of the subsidy in Hants;⁸ administrator of the goods of William Cleche, parson of Eston, 1460/5;⁹ pardoned, 5 May 1472, as of Basingstoke, gent., *alias* yeoman;¹⁰ a feoffee of Aldermaston, Berks., 1473; on a Hants comn. 1473; keeper of Ludgershall town, *c.* 1475;¹¹ pardoned arrears as late customer of Exeter and Dartmouth, 1477.

His s., the judge, *d.* before him in 1509 and left him 500 sheep in his will. He himself *d.* 1511; will, dat. 17 Mar., pr. 28 May 1511. To be bur. at Basingstoke near Amy his wife. 100 sheep to ten poor parish churches; cows to others; bequests to servants; John Egerton to have my place to farm for nine years with stock and utensils. Residue to exors., for his soul. Exors.:—John Newport,

¹ F. B. Kingdon, *The Kingdon Family*, 1932.

² *Visitn. Hants*, 2.

³ Davy, Suffolk collns., Add. MS. 19138.

⁴ *Geneal. N.S.* xii. 77.

⁵ P.C.C., 17 Bennett.

⁶ *V.C.H. Berks.* iii. 237.

⁷ In 1465/70 Richard Kingsmill and Amy his wife, da. of Robert Inkpenne of Longparisshe, sued Dame Gyll Thame, grandmother of Amy for Amy's marriage portion in Hants (*Early Chan. Proc.* 33/169).

⁸ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV (m.15).

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/73; 54/151.

¹⁰ Pardon Roll 1472 (m.27).

¹¹ In 1475/80 William Colingbourne esq. sued Richard Kingsmill of Basingstoke, yeoman, for forcible ouster of Colingbourne from the office of Keeper of Ludgershall town (*Early Chan. Proc.* 59/90).

serjt.-at-law, Thomas Wellys, doctor of divinity and chaplain to my lord of Canterbury, Richard Norton, John at Lee, James Spyce. Proved by all exors.¹

KINGSTON (KYNCKESTON), THOMAS (1450-1506); of Guildford M.P. Guildford 1491-2.

In 1475/85 Sir William Finderne, s. of Sir Thomas (*q.v.*) sued Thomas Kingston and other feoffees for land at Corfe and Poole,² and the same Kingston settled his lands in 1498 and died Jan. 1506, seised of lands in Crayford, Kent.³ But it is doubtful if he is the Guildford M.P.

Thomas Kingston of Guildford, yeoman, was pardoned outlawry for not appearing, Oct. 1484; with Sir Henry Norbury endowed a chantry at Guildford, Feb. 1486;⁴ and was mayor of Guildford 1484-5, 1489-90, 1496-8.⁵

KINGSTON (KYNGESTON), WILLIAM (1410-60); of Tavistock. M.P. Tavistock 1447, 1450-1.

Witness to a Tavistock deed in 1447. A reference in a local rental of *c.* 1460 to the "heirs of William Kingston" implies that he was then dead. The name is a Tavistock one.⁶

KIRBY (KYRKEBY), THOMAS. M.P. Dorchester 1491-2.

Thomas Kirby was keeper of the rolls of Chancery 1456; and in 1456/60 Thomas Kirby of London and Margaret his wife, da. of John Kellowe, fishmonger, sued for land in Waddon, Surrey.⁷ These might conceivably be his father but can hardly be the man himself.

KIRKE, GEORGE (1450-1515); ald. of York. M.P. York city 1497.

Michael Skellys *alias* Kirke of Kent, "treackiller" *alias* surgeon, was pardoned 1455, and John Kirke of York, merchant, was pardoned, Nov. 1455. Either may be the father.

Sheriff of York city 1487-8. George Kyrke, atte kyrke, at the kyrke, alderman of York, merchant, was pardoned, 1509.

KIRTON (KYRTON), JOHN (1430-80); clerk of the King's Hall; of Rochester, osteler. M.P. Rochester 1472-5.

John Kirton, fishmonger, was paid in the Exchequer in Nov. 1460;⁸ in Nov. 1472 (after election) John Kirton of Rochester, osteler, late clerk of the King's Hall, *alias* late cit. and fishmonger of London, was pardoned outlawry for not appearing. It is hardly likely that he is also the citizen and mercer of London who occurs in 1464, 1475. Certainly he is not the barrister of Lincoln's Inn who was M.P. for Southwark in 1491.

KIRTON (KYRTON), JOHN (1450-1529); of Edmonton, lawyer. M.P. Southwark 1491-2.

Probably s. of William Kirton of Southwark M.P. (1415-65), serjt.-at-arms.

Admtd. to Lincoln's Inn, 1468; attorney for Elizabeth, lady of Harington, 1470;⁹ and for John, lord Dinham, 1499; J.P. Surrey, 6 Dec. 1502 till death;

¹ P.C.C., 1 Fetiplace.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 58/206.

³ *Inq. p.m.* 21 Hen. VII.

⁴ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 279.

⁵ *Hist. of Guildford* (1801); Rev. Owen Manning, *Hist. Surrey* (1804), i. 37. He is not the squire of Chilrey, sheriff of Berks. and Oxon., 1482-3.

⁶ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/246.

⁸ Issue Roll, Mich. 39 Hen. VI, No. 820.

⁹ Plea Rolls, Trin. 10 Edw. IV.

gaol delivery, Guildford, 1503; feoffee for John Ernley, the King's attorney, 1511;¹ Thames comnr., 1514; J.P. Mdsx., 7 May 1515 till death; subsidy comnr. for Mdsx., apptd. by Parlt., 1523; issue of cloth to John Kirton, gent. or esq., for the funeral of Sir Thomas Lovell (*q.v.*), 1524;² Thames comnr. again, Feb. 1529.

D. 1529/30; will, dat. 9 Nov. 1529, pr. 12 Feb. 1530.³ To be bur. at Edmonton. Bequests to Jasper Leek and Margaret his wife my da.; to s. William Kirton and Elizabeth his w.; to s. Stephen; to John, Stephen, and Elizabeth Leek. Exors. :—Jasper Leek and William Kirton.³

KIRTON (KYRKETON), WILLIAM (1415-65); of Southwark. Serjt.-at-Arms. M.P. Southwark 1442, 1449-50, 1450-1, 1460-1.

Presumably s. of William Kirton of the same, M.P. Southwark 1414-25; and father of that John Kirton (1450-1529) who was M.P. for Southwark in 1491.

Comnrs. of sewers in Surrey 1443 to 1453; elector, Surrey, 1449 (1), and 1450 when elected for Southwark; pardoned for being out with Cade, July 1450. Apparently he was one of the King's serjeant-at-arms by Oct. 1451, when, with John Gloucester, Thomas Wesenhall (*qq.v.*) and others, all King's serjeants, he was ordered to arrest the two Maudits of Wandsworth. He survived the troubles and was pardoned with other Lancastrian officials, Feb. 1462.⁴

KNIGHT, STEPHEN (1420-75); of Faversham, Kent, gent. Yeoman of the Crown 1450-60. M.P. Rochester 1453-4. Lancastrian.

S. of Alice da. of John Brumston.⁵

As of Faversham, he mainperned Master Richard Andrew the King's Secretary, 1449;⁶ eschr., Kent and Mdsx., 1449-50; pardoned, 1 Feb. 1458, being then late eschr., late Yeoman of the Crown, late of London, esq. He was of Rochester when he mainperned John Besynbe, yeoman of the Crown, May 1459.⁷ In 1469 he accounts for a ship of Flanders laden with wool.⁸

He was dead in 1483, when his widow Margaret, who had remarried Swayne, was suing for a messuage called Bromston near Faversham.⁵

KNIGHT, (Sir) THOMAS (1440-1509); of Saxilby with Ingleby, Lincs.; lawyer. M.P. Lincoln city 1491-2.

S. of Thomas Knight, living 1472;⁹ *m.* (1) Jane da. of Roger Knight of Sleaford, (2) Elizabeth.

J.P. Lindsey, of the quorum, 4 Feb. 1467 to 1468, 7 Sept. 1470 to 1475, 11 Mar. 1477 till sheriff, 26 June 1483 till death; pardoned, 9 Nov. 1468, as "younger";¹⁰ again, 28 Jan. 1472;⁹ elector, Lincs., 1472; on comns., Lincs., from Feb. 1471, including the subsidy of Aug. 1483, the arrays of 1484, and a Lincoln comn. of Nov. 1491 while he was M.P.; sheriff, Lincs., 1482-3, 1497-8; pardoned, 4 Feb.

¹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 709 (26).

² *ibid.* iv. 149.

³ P.C.C., 15 Jonkyn.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1462—as of Southwark, gent., *alias* esq. (m.10).

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 65/245.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1449), 305.

⁷ Fine Roll, 37 Hen. VI (m.15).

⁸ *Exchq. Accts.* 457/34.

⁹ Of Ingilby, Lincs., esq. or gent., late of Walesby, late of Lincoln city, *alias* junior, gent., stapler, J.P., *alias* late of London, gent.

¹⁰ See Pardon Roll, 1468, Thos. Knight :—of Lincoln city *jun.* esq., *alias* of Walesby, Lincs., *alias* of the staple, *alias* J.P. Lindsey (m.23).

1486 and 8 June 1496;¹ kntd. between 13 Feb. and 10 Dec. 1501; exor. of will of William Bele (*q.v.*), 1505.

D. 1509; will, dat. 22 Sept., pr. 15 Dec. 1509. To be bur. in chancel of Saxilby ch. Masses for souls of Jane and Elizabeth his wives and Roger Knight, and testator's father, Thomas, and mother. Bequests to w. Elizabeth, to Humphrey Hercy and Alice his w., my da.; reversions to Jane Wymbish, Christopher Wymbish. Exors.:—Humphrey Hercy, elder, esq., Robert Nevill, gent., Robert Dyghton of Lincoln, draper, and "Sir" Alexander Cutler, vicar of Saxilby.²

KNIGHTLEY (KNYGHTELEY), RICHARD (1395–1442); of Fawsley, N'hants., formerly of Burgh Hall, Staffs. Teller of the Exchequer 1422–38; lawyer. M.P. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 1420, 1423, 1439–40.

S. and h. of Richard Knightley, of Burgh hall in Gnosall, Staffs., by Jane da. of Sir John Gifford of Chillington, Staffs.; m. 1415, Elizabeth (*d.* 1474) da. of Thomas Pourefoy, of Drayton, Leics.³

He got Fawsley in Feb. 1415 by enfeoffment (with Elizabeth his wife and others) of Geoffrey Somerton.⁴ Granted by Henry V, as King's Serjeant and one of the Tellers of the Exchequer, a pension of £10 a year, 4 June 1422, which pension he held till death; farmer of Lapley priory, Staffs., 1416–7; on N'hants. muster comns. 1416; a feoffee of Lapworth, Glos., 1424; J.P. Staffs., Feb. 1422 to 1430; eschr., N'hants., 1424–5 and 1434–5; J.P. N'hants., of the quorum, Feb. 1422 to 1423, and July 1432 till death; elector 1425, 1429, 1431, 1433, 1435, 1437; on many loan, grant and assessment comns. in N'hants. 1426 to 1442, and on a Staffs. comn. for assessment in Apr. 1431; bought Fawsley and Hellidon, N'hants. He had ceased to be one of the four Tellers of the Exchequer by 1439.

D. Dec. 1442, when Richard, aged 10, was his s. and h.⁵ This Richard m. Eleanor, da. of John Throckmorton of Coughton (*q.v.*), M.P., Under Treasurer of England.

KNOLL, JOHN (1400–60); of Denbury, Devon? M.P. Liskeard 1455–6.

John Knoll of Denbury and Jane his wife were pardoned outlawry for not appearing, Oct. 1423; he enfeoffed John Tretherf esq. of all his lands in Knoll, 1436;⁶ with others of Devon he was to be arrested, 1430. Trespasses against him by one Illary of "Lybenersshe", Som., were pardoned in 1443. He was a Devon county elector, 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1450 and 1453.

KNOTTESFORD, JOHN (1410–70); of Bowley in Pagham, Sussex, esq. M.P. SUSSEX 1447.

S. and h. of James Knottesford and Beatrice his wife.

Sworn to the peace in Sussex, 1434; eschr., Surrey and Sussex, 1446–7; elector, Sussex, 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1453; sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1454–5. Pardoned, 24 Aug. 1455, while sheriff, by the Yorkists.⁷ He was dead in 1479,

¹ Of Lincoln esq., of Ingleby, of Saxilby, gent., mercht., late sheriff, stapler (m.3).

² P.C.C., 23 Bennett. ³ She appears on the Pardon Roll, still his widow, in 1446 (m.12).

⁴ V.C.H., Northants (Pedigree Vol.).

⁵ Inq. p.m. 21 Henry VI, No. 44.

⁶ Cat. Anc. Deeds, iv. p. 513.

⁷ As "of Boweley in the parish of Pagaham, Sussex, esq." (m.32).

when William Knottesford, s. and h. of John, s. and h. of James Knottesford and Beatrice his wife, sued for the next presentation to the church of Denton, Sussex.¹

KNYCKESTON see KINGSTON.

KNYVET, Sir WILLIAM (1440-1515); of Buckenham and Wymondham. Customer of Boston 1463-4; Customer of Ipswich 1465-8. M.P. NORFOLK (? 1463-5), 1467-8, (? 1470-1); Melcombe 1472-5; Bletchingley 1478, (? 1483 Jan.); Grantham 1491-2; CUMBERLAND 1495.

S. of John Knyvett of Weldon, N'hants., living 1481, by Alice da. and coh. of William Linne of Norfolk; *m.* (1) Alice da. of John, lord Grey of Ruthyn, and (2) by 1483, Jane widow of Sir Roger Clifford, attainted 1485, sis. and coh. of Thomas Courtenay, earl of Devon, and (3) *c.* 1511 Alice, lady Beaumont.²

It was ordered, 20 Oct. 1461, that John and William Knyvet be removed from the keeping of Buckenham castle which they had seized and held since 17 Nov. 1460.³ But on 8 Dec. 1461, directly after Norfolk's death, John Knyvett, son of Elizabeth, sis. of Sir John Clifton (whose heir he is), had licence to enter Bokenham castle, and he, Alice his wife, and William Knyvet were pardoned. They were pardoned again, 9 Apr. 1462, as "of Old Buckenham", Norfolk (m.21). In July 1463 William Knyvett was made customer of Boston, and in Apr. 1465 customer of Ipswich also.

J.P. Norfolk, 8 Apr. 1464 till made sheriff, Nov. 1470-1; he was with Clarence and Warwick in Apr. 1470 and supported Warwick's government, probably in his Parlt. Pardoned 3 Dec. 1471, "late of New Bokenham, esq., late of Weldon, N'hants., late of London, gent." J.P. again, 2 Dec. 1473 to 26 May 1476, 14 June 1478 to 6 Dec. 1483, 7 Dec. 1485 till death. Kntd. 18 Apr. 1475. In 1477 his father settled Gt. Weldon upon him and his son Edmund.⁴ Elector 1478, when elected for Bletchingley. Again sheriff of Norfolk and Suffolk, 1479-80; on comns. in Norfolk during the Readeption to 1 Aug. 1483, and then 1487 onwards including the subsidy comn. of 1504. Richard III made him constable of Castle Rising with £20 a year, 18 July 1483, but in Oct. he was denounced as a rebel with the Duke of Buckingham. He had been with Buckingham and Morton at Brecknock and was attainted 1484.⁵ He "was faine for salvation of his life" to agree to hand over Buckenham castle to Richard III; attainder reversed and Buckenham restored to him 1485, *i.e.* after Norfolk's death at Bosworth.⁶ He was Avery Cornburgh's (*q.v.*) exor. 1487; at Court 1494 at the creation of the Duke of York. Henry VII stayed at Buckenham 22 Aug. 1498.⁷ Pardoned "of Bokenham castle," 1509/10. In Apr. 1511 the reversion of the lands of his wife, Jane, was granted to William Courtenay, earl of Devon, who had *m.* Katherine, da. of Edward IV, because Jane (Courtenay's) children by Roger Clifford—Charles, Barbara and Mary—were born

¹ *Geneal. N.S.* xx. 38.

² *Comp. Peer.* ii. 63; Vivian, *Cornish Pedigrees*, 272; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1490).

³ The posse entered the outer ward of the castle to the foot of a "draght brigge" across the water and found it raised, and Alice wife of John Knyvet appeared in a little tower over the inner foot of the bridge and said—"Maister Twyer, ye be a justice of the pees and I require you to keep the peas for I woll nott leve the possession of this castell to dye therefore, and if ye begyn to breke the peas or make any warre to gete the place of me I shall defende me, for lever I had in such wyse to dye than to be slayne when my husband cometh home, for he charget me to kepe it" (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1461), 67).

⁴ *ibid.* (1477), p. 53.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 245.

⁶ *ibid.* vi. p. 273.

⁷ Privy Purse Exs. *Excerpta Hist.* p. 119.

when she and Sir Roger were in Flanders, under obedience to the Duke of Austria and rebels to Edward IV and, therefore, cannot inherit.¹ In 1512 Sir William had livery of lands as one of the heirs of Maud Willoughby.

He died "of Wymondham", 2 Dec. 1515, when Edward, aged 7, s. of Sir Thomas, s. of Edward s. and h. of William Knyvett, knt., was g.g.s. and h. Lands—Bokenham in Norfolk, Suffolk, Cumberland, Hunts. and Notts. As he had lands in Cumberland it was probably for Cumberland that he sat in 1495.

KOKESAY see COKESEY.

KYRIELL, Sir THOMAS (1406-61); of Sarrecourt, Thanet, K.G. Soldier; Capt. of Gournay and of Gisors; lieut. of Calais 1439-42; lieut. of Dover 1456-60. M.P. KENT 1455-6, 1460-1. Yorkist.

Son and h. of Sir William who was s. and h. of Sir Nicholas Kyriell; *m.* 1437 Cecily da. and h. of Jenkyn Stourton, and widow of Walter Portman and of John Hill of Spaxton, Som., who *d.* 1434.²

Knighted, probably in France, 1425/7; licence to enter on "Serrecourt" as s. and h. of Sir William, 28 May 1427.³ In July 1428 he was mustering the army for France at Barham Down;⁴ on Kentish comms. for muster or array in 1430, 1439, 1443; an elector, Kent, 17 Dec. 1436. Generally, however, he was in France in the retinue of the Duke of Bedford, 1435;⁵ or with the Earl of Warwick, Sept. 1437. That year Kyriell and Talbot crossed the Somme and burst into Ponthieu, forcing the Burgundians to raise the siege of Crotoy. The English recrossed and returned to Arras for Christmas.⁶ He was Captain of Gournay 1437-9; Lieut. of Calais, Nov. 1439 to 29 Aug. 1442;⁷ being engaged in many negotiations for trade and for peace with France.⁸

Captains in France found finance as troublesome as were the French *franc-tireurs*. Kyriell was granted 100 marks in June 1440 for spies and other charges in Calais, but the grant was made out of the rents of the lands of John Hill in Somerset, his own wife's former husband. While Captain of Gisors the rival claims of himself and his soldiers on what cash he obtained led to trouble. Lord Beaumont at Rouen judged against Kyriell, *i.e.* that he had retained the wages of his men, 13 Nov. 1446. The case and Sir Thomas were remitted to England; and in Jan. 1447 Kyriell was an elector for Kent and Canterbury. Then, in Oct. 1449, Queen Margaret's Government decided to send Kyriell to relieve Normandy with 425 spears and 2,080 bows.⁹ The troops collected at Southampton, lacked discipline and pay, murdered the Treasurer, Bishop Moleyns, and did not land at Cherbourg till 15 Mar. 1450.¹⁰ Kyriell took Valognes on Apr. 12, but the last hope of holding Normandy ended at Formigny, 15 Apr. 1450. "Sir Thomas is taken prisoner and all the ligge harness and about 3,000 Englishmen slain."¹¹

¹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 749 (23), 1083 (2).

² Licence to marry dated 1437; pardoned with Cecily his w., widow of John Hill of Spaxton, 15 July 1437 (Pardon Roll, m.3).

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1431), 109.

⁴ *F. Devon, Issues*, 405.

⁵ *Stevenson, Let. and Pap.*, ii. 435.

⁶ Ramsay, *Lancaster and York*, ii. 4.

⁷ *Privy Coun. Proc.* v. 209.

⁸ *Foedera*, V. i. 75-77; in Oct. 1441 Sir Thomas notifies that his servant John a Bekkes, mariner, master of his ship *Bonaventure* has sold it to Sir John Fastolf, and that he, as Lieut. of Calais, agrees to the sale (*Paston Letters*, i. 43).

⁹ Ramsay, *op. cit.* ii. 103.

¹⁰ *ibid.* ii. 105.

¹¹ *Paston Letters*, i. 125.

He was free and back in England in time to be returned for Kent, 1455; thenceforward he acted on every Kentish comn. till May 1460; J.P. Kent, 10 May 1458 till death. Lieut. to Humphrey, duke of Buckingham and constable of Dover, Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, 1456-60. When de Brézé sacked Sandwich, 28 Aug. 1457, "abiding there a whole day, . . . at the last a knight of the county called Sir Thomas Kyriell drove them to the sea and killed many of them"—at least by word of mouth. When the Earls landed in June 1460, Kyriell went over to them with the three captains—his son-in-law Fogge, and Scott and Horne (*qq.v.*). He was rewarded with two marriages and wardships in Jan. 1461; was described as "King's Knight" when commissioned against the rebels from the North; elected Knight of the Garter, 8 Feb. 1461, with Bonvill and Wenlock. But only Wenlock was ever installed. For Bonvill and Kyriell remained with the baggage in charge of King Henry while Wenlock fought Margaret and the men of the North at St. Albans. They did not fly for their lives, but stopped with Henry and surrendered. They said he had promised they should come to no harm. On 19 Feb., two days after the battle, they were judged by the Prince of Wales, aged 8, and beheaded by the orders of Queen Margaret.²

His exors. were Cecily his wife (*d.* 1472) and Nicholas Sibilles.³ One of his das. and coheirs *m.* Sir John Fogge M.P. and his step-da. Genevieve Hill (*b.* by 1434!) *m.* Sir John Say's son William (*b.* 1452!) (*qq.v.*). His Kentish estates were in Thanet and at Eastry.⁴

KY. . . . see KI. . . .

LACON (LAKEN), WILLIAM (1410-75); of Willey, Salop, and of Stone, Kent. Serjeant-at-law 1453-65; Justice K.B. 1465-75. M.P. SALOP 1449-50, 1450-1, 1453-4. Sumnd. 1467-8, 1469, 1470-1, 1472-5.

S. of Richard Lacon M.P. by Elizabeth da. of Sir Hamond Peshall M.P.; *m.* (2) Sibil, da. of John Syterwald of Cleever, Salop, who survived him and *rem.* Sir Thomas Berkeley.⁵

J.P. Salop, of the quorum, 30 May 1443 to 1 Sept. 1460; elector, Salop, 1450 (when elected, his father being also an elector) and 1455; on Salop and Wales comns. 1452-8; and was made Justice of North Wales (for this turn) 17 Oct. 1450, while M.P.; sheriff, Salop, 1451-2. In 1452/3 the grooms and pages of the King's Household sued him in Chancery as late sheriff of Salop for his failure to deliver a tally of £114 upon the collectors of the 15th and 10th in Salop voted in the Parliament of 27 Henry VI, 1449 (1), which was given to the petitioners for their reward, their wages being only 13s. 4d. and 6s. 8d. by the year.⁶

He was made serjeant-at-law in 1453 while M.P., and must have left Salop for Kent and Berkshire; J.P. Kent, 2 May 1458 till death; J.P. Berks., 13 May 1460 till death; on Kent comns. from 1447 impartially for Lancastrian and Yorkists. In 1449 the Rye Corporation spent 2s. 6d. on 3 felt caps to be given to Young of Bristol, Lacon and Elam "that they might the sooner be friends to us and the

¹ *English Chronicle*, p. 74.

² *Rot. Parl.* v. 477; Shaw, *Knights*, i. 13; Hasted's *Kent*, viii. 71, 407; *Arch. Cant.* v. 127; Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 144.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1467), 511.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/216.

⁴ *Arch. Cant.* v. 124-5; Hasted, *Kent*, x. 250.

⁶ *ibid.* 17/344.

franchise of Tenterden."¹ He was pardoned in 1462 (m.26) as "of Stone, Kent, gent."; and in 1468 (m.37) as "late of London, senior, gent., *alias* Justice of the King's Bench, *alias* Serjt.-at-law". Apptd. Justice of the King's Bench, 4 June 1465, and put on the bench in Essex, Herts., Mdsx., Surrey and Sussex. Sumnd. to Parlt. 1467 onwards.

D. 6 Oct. 1475, buried at Bray, Berks. His son of the same name was pardoned in 1476 as "of Altmere *alias* of Stone, Kent, late escheator of Salop," and was dead by 1485 leaving *das*.² Arms:—Quarterly per fesse indented, ermine and azure.

LACY, THOMAS (1440–1506); of Grantchester, Cambs., esq. M.P. Stamford 1487.

J.P. Cambridge boro', of the quorum, 26 Jan. to 4 Nov. 1471, 22 Oct. 1477 to 4 June 1483. The Parlt. of 1489 granted the petition of Thomas Lacy and Margaret his wife, da. of Giles St. Loo, for the reversal of the 1461 attainder of St. Loo.³ By 1505 his da. Eleanor had *m.* William s. and h. of Thomas Nevill of Holt, Leics. (*q.v.*).⁴

D. 1506; will, dat. 20 Jan., pr. 12 Feb. 1506, of Thomas Lacy, esq. To be bur. in ch. of Grauncestre—vault for self and wife with arms crest and helmet and children married and unmarried. Houses at Westminster to wife for life, and lands in Cambs. His s. Henry has misused his youth, but, if he reform to satisfaction of his mother and overseers, he is to succeed; if not, remainder to Thomas 2nd s. and heirs; and if he refuse to be ruled, then to Edward 3rd s. and heirs of body. Residue to w. Margery and she sole exix. Mentions niece Elizabeth Lang and nephew George Cotton. Overseers:—Mr. John Wood and Thomas Burgoyne (*q.v.*).⁵

LADICOT see LEDICOTE.

LAKE, JOHN; of Hythe. M.P. Hythe 1463–5.

Resident in Hythe, though not a jurat, for he claimed the normal rate of Parliament wage (2s. a day) for the 2nd and 3rd session of this Parliament, *i.e.* 18 Jan. to 25 Feb. and 8 to 22 Mar. 1465—54 days in all £5 8s.⁶ Bailiff of Hythe, 1460–1.⁷ A John Lake was a Yorkshire retainer of the late Duke of York in 1478.⁸

LAKE, WILLIAM ATTE; of Devon. M.P. Totnes 1455–6.

A John Lake was M.P. for and constable of Exeter 1411. Nothing is to be found of William locally, but the surname occurs in the Dartmouth records.

LAKEN see LACON.

LAMB (LAMBE), JOHN (1440–96/1501); of Coulston, Wilts. Customer of Bridgwater 1470; Servant of Lord St. Amand. M.P. Devizes 1467–8, (? 1470).

Apptd. contr. of great and petty customs at Bridgwater, 28 Oct. 1470; witnessed a St. Amand deed at Bromham, Wilts., Nov. 1476;⁹ feoffee of land in Devizes 1483/5;¹⁰ on a Wilts. comn. 1505.

¹ *Hist. MSS. Comn.* v. p. 491.

² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 415.

³ P.C.C., 3 Adeane.

⁴ *Ex inf.* A. H. W. Fynmore.

⁵ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. p. 306.

² See note 5 on p. 522.

⁴ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 862.

⁶ Hythe Accts., *per* Miss E. Scroggs.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1478), 123.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 65/136.

D. 1496/1501; will, dat. 14 Nov. 1496, pr. 14 Dec. 1501. To be bur. at "Culleston." To second s. Amery £10 unless provided with a benefice; to third s. Aldem £10; and same to fourth and fifth sons, Roger and Aucher, to das. Isabel £20, Christine £20, Jane and Alice 20 marks each. Residue to w. Elizabeth, and she and s. John exors. Supervisor:—Mr. Gubbys, chaplain to Lord St. Amand.¹ Lambs of Coulston were given to queer christian names—Aldhem, Anselm, Proxeda and Metiora (G. M. Young). Amery is a St. Amand name.

LAMPET, RALPH (1405–60); from Newbury, Lincs., and of Yarmouth. Servant to the Holland Earls; Customer of Yarmouth, 1439–48. M.P. Yarmouth 1453–4. Lancastrian.

He was sworn to the peace in Norfolk 1434. In 1429,² 1436 (when he is called lieutenant of the Tower of London), and in 1446,³ when pardoned, he was lieut. to John Holland, lord admiral, afterwards Duke of Exeter. In 1439 he had licence to ship grain from Norfolk to sell in London. A comnr. of oyer in Suffolk in 1438, and in Norfolk in 1439—called customer of Yarmouth. In June 1441 Edmund Clere and Ralf Lampet, joint collrs. and controllers of customs and subsidies in Great Yarmouth and ports adjacent, were given special reward for diligent toil and expenses in office—Lampet was still collector in 1446 and 1448.⁴ Elector, Norfolk, 1449 (1), and in 1453 when elected for Yarmouth; comnr. for Norfolk, 1450; bailiff of Yarmouth, 1455, when he made the Return, and in 1460/5 when sued in Chancery by John Sonde for false imprisonment.⁵

He must have died in "the troubles" 1460/1, for as a retainer of the House of Holland he was Lancastrian, and there is no record of any pardon to him. Presumably he came from Newbury in Holland, Lincs.²

LANCASTER, NICHOLAS (1440–1501); LL.D.; ald. of York; Town Clerk 1476–80; lawyer. M.P. York city 1487, 1489 (replacing Sir Richard York).

Son of John Lancaster, merchant of York; *m.* (1) Isabella, (2) Margaret.⁶

Admtd. freeman, 1472; entered Merchants' Co., 1474; elected town clerk of York, 3 Feb. 1476; entered *Corpus Christi* Guild 1479;⁶ resigned town clerkship, 3 Feb. 1480; alderman, 1484 till death; mayor of York, 1485–6, 1493–4. In Aug. 1483 Mr. Lancaster, of the King's Counsel, brought a letter to York from the King's secretary.⁷ He was elected in the place of Sir Richard York, 16 Oct. 1489; elected also to occupy the position of "Lieutenant", 3 Feb. 1492, until mayor Thomas Scotton returned from Parlt.

D. 1501; will, dat. 10 Jan., pr. 1 Sept. 1501.⁸

LANE, WILLIAM (1450–1506); of Worcester. M.P. Worcester city 1495.

All we have is his will, dat. 16 May, pr. 1 Aug. 1506. To be bur. in the cathedral cemetery, where his wife Isabell and children lie. Bequests to St. Swithin's, Worcester, for tithes forgotten; to wife Agnes and her da. Agnes.

¹ P.C.C., 13 Blamyr.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 11/231.

³ Pardon Roll, 5 July 1446, "Ralph Lampet, esq., lieut. to John, earl of Huntingdon, Admiral of England, *alias* Collector of Subsidies in Yarmouth" (m.21).

⁴ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

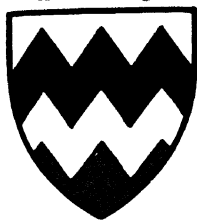
⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/357.

⁶ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor from York records.

⁷ Davies, *York Records*, 163.

⁸ York Wills—*Reg. Test.* fo. A/T; to be bur. at St. Michael's-le-Belfry (*ex inf.* W. J. Paylor).

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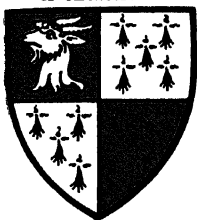
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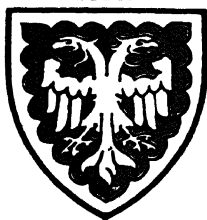
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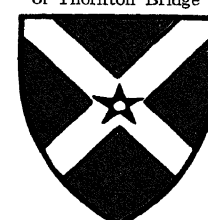
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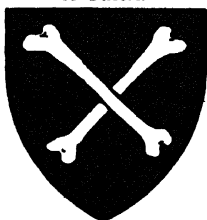
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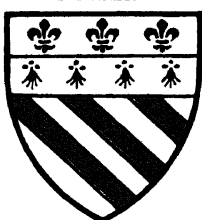
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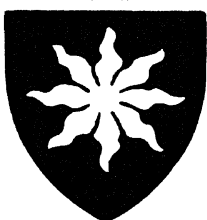
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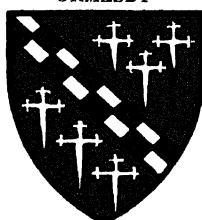
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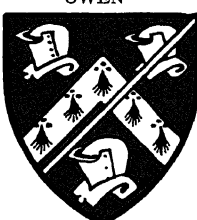
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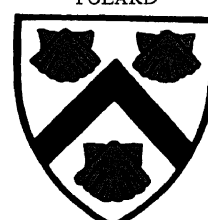
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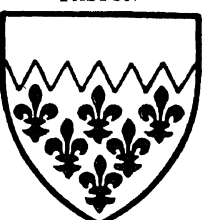
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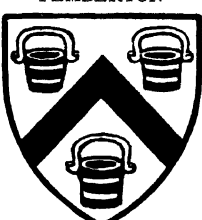
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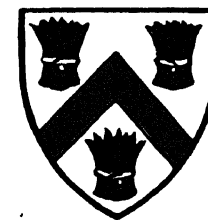
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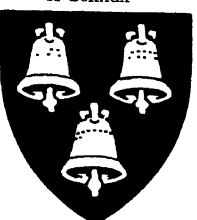
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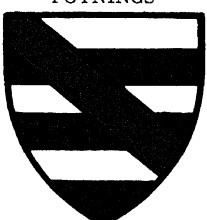
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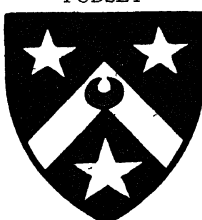
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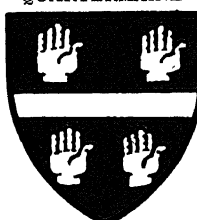
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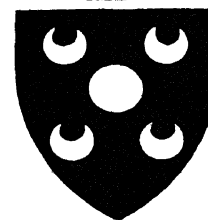
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Exors. :—wife Agnes and John Lane priest, my son, master of arts. Supervisor, William Hyde, chaplain, and Edward Crompe.¹

LANGFORD see LONGFORD.

LANGHOLM, JOHN (1430-65); of Louth and Conisholme, Lincs. M.P. Grimsby 1453-4, called "junior". Lancastrian.

S. of John Langholm, M.P. Grimsby 1426-33.

Of all the hundred references to John Langholm, J.P. Lindsey, and of the quorum, 1436-61, none mention "senior" or "junior"; therefore they must all refer to the father, who is called of "Conisholm" in 1436.² He may be supposed dead when he ceased to be J.P., though that by no means follows in 1461; certainly he was a deceased feoffee of William Tailboys, "Earl of Kyme", in 1464. One can only be justified in assuming that the "junior" M.P. is the John Langholm pardoned with the Lancastrians, 5 Feb. 1462, "of Lowth, Lincs., gent., *alias* of Coninesholme, justice of sewers" (m.42). John Langholm of Louth was a feoffee in 1463.³ No later reference to him can be found. The William son of William son of John Langholm who sued feoffees to uses for a messuage in Louth in 1467/72,⁴ must be a grandson of the elder John.

LANGLEY, JOHN (1395-1458); of Bristol, lawyer, and of Toddington, Glos., esq. M.P. Chippenham 1422; Bristol 1426; GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1432, 1435, 1437, 1442.

S. of John Langley of Chesterton, Glos.,⁵ and Jane White his wife; *m.* Margaret da. of William Llewellyn of the Nash.⁶

J.P. Glos., of the quorum, 1 June 1432 to 28 Nov. 1439, and 6 July 1441 till death; sworn to the peace in Glos. 1434; bailiff of Bristol 1436; exempted from all offices 1438, but comnr. Glos., including gaol delivery, from 1439 to 1445.

D. 23 Dec. 1458, when Isabel (30) wife of Walter Langley was his da. and h.—Walter being s. of Margaret, sis. of John Langley. Will, dat. 4 Dec. 1458, pr. 1460.⁷ He is perhaps another and early example of a Hungerford nominee at Chippenham, for a Walter Langley of Soddington, Glos., *m.* Anne sister of John Hungerford (G. M. Young of Oare).

LANGTON, HENRY (1410-63); of Southwark, and of Farnley, Yorks. Yeoman of the Household 1436-60; Marshal of the Marshalsea 1455-60; forester of Galtres 1460. M.P. Reigate 1449 (1).

¹ P.C.C., 9 Adeane.

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 173; iii. p. 362.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/164.

⁴ *ibid.* 41/296.

⁵ *Geneal. N.S.* xvi. 161.

⁶ Williams, *Gloucestershire M.P.s.*

⁷ To be bur. as his exors. may choose. Bequests to Worcester ch. for tithes forgotten; to St. Peters, Toddington. His manors of Toddington-Langley, Chesterton, Turkdene, Glos., of Atherston, Stour, Schortley and the hospice in Coventry called Cardmaker hall, and manor of Oldbury and lands in Severnhall and Bridgnorth, Salop—all to Isabel wife of Walter Langley esq., the son of Margaret, testator's sister. Masses at St. Leonards, Bridgnorth, for his mother Jane and his father John Langley. He mentions by name the following books :—Acts of the Apostles, Roll of Arms, *Quatuor Grammaticalis*, Book of Runnis, book of assises written on paper and bound, Manual *in lingua gallica*. Exor. :—Thomas Chedworth (P.C.C., 18 Stockton).

S. of Sir John Langton; *m.* (1) Isabel widow of John Bosville¹ and (2) Agnes da. of John Clophill.²

He was made Yeoman of the Chamber, with 6*d.* a day out of Yorks., Dec. 1436; exempted in that capacity from the Acts of Resumption of 1449 and 1455; the grant was repeated or renewed in 1438, 1449 and Mar. 1452. In 1437, as yeoman usher of the Chamber, he was made porter of Wressle castle, Yorks., surrendered 1438; jointly with John Croke, both King's servants, he was granted a house in the city of London, 1441; and as yeoman usher, he had the custody of the four *das.* and *cohs.* of John Dounton, 1442. He was yeoman usher at the coronation of Queen Margaret, and his annual pipe of Gascon wine was delivered at Hull; M.P. 1449. He and Isabel had licence to found a chantry at Cawthorne, Yorks., for the soul of John Bosville, 1452; made usher to the infant Prince of Wales, 1454;³ Marshal of the Hall by Dec. 1455, when pardoned;⁴ pardoned again 1 Mar. 1459, with the additional *aliases* of "junior, son of John Langton knt., Clerk Marshal and Serjeant-Marshal of the Marshalsea, usher of the Chamber, and late bailiff of Snayth" (m.26). For good service against the rebels Langton was made riding forester of Galtres, Yorks., Jan. 1460. When the Yorkists came he was pardoned 30 Oct. 1462, as "late *eschr.* for Henry VI in Yorks., *alias* late of Southwark, *alias* of Farnley, Yorks."

He was probably dead by 1470. That he got his wine at Hull and was once porter of Wressle connects him with the Langtons of Langton, Lincs.

LANGTON, ROBERT (1420-85); Constable of Bramber 1441-70; King's Sergeant. M.P. Tavistock 1455-6.

As King's sergeant he was made constable of Bramber castle and deputy to the Duke of Norfolk there, Dec. 1441; confirmed 1447. John Langton was keeper of lands outside York castle, 1451, and Robert Langton of Bramber was his surety.⁶ Pardoned, as "of Bramber", 1453 and 1468; on a Sussex comn. 1462; an elector in Sussex 1467. In 1480/3 he sued Thomas Belingham esq. (M.P. Sussex) for money promised to Langton for the marriage of his nephew Richard, s. of Richard Walterton.⁷ In Feb. 1483 he had a share in a grant of a next collation to a canonry of St. Stephens, Westminster; and a custody during minority in South Wales, Dec. 1483.

LANNARGH (LANHERGY), THOMAS (1415-65); of Bodmin, lawyer.

M.P. Bodmin 1437, 1449 (1), 1449-50.

S. of John Lanhergy (*b.* 1395), M.P. Helston 1435.

In Apr. 1442 the lands late of Sir William Bodrugan were committed to the keeping of Henry, earl of Warwick, John Noreys esq. (*q.v.*), John Nanfan (*q.v.*)

¹ In 1445 Henry Langton and Isabel his wife, late the wife of John Bosville, sued for land in High Melton, Yorks., in which they had been enfeoffed by William Bosevill (*Early Chan. Proc.* 13/61).

² With Agnes his wife, da. of John, s. of John, s. of William Clophill, *alias* Kellesey, he sued John, the father of Agnes, and John Mortimer for a messuage in Aldersgate, 1465/70 (*Early Chan. Proc.*). ³ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 233.

⁴ As "late of London, esq., late Marshal of the Hall, late of Southwark, late of Newehall, Yorks., late of Snayth, late Yeoman of the Crown" (m.17).

⁵ He is not the yeoman of the Pantry 1477-83—the "old servant of King Edward" who got 3*s.* 4*d.* from Queen Elizabeth in 1502.

⁶ Fine Roll, 30 Hen. VI (m.11).

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 62/237.

and Lanhergy. Lannargh was pardoned, 12 Mar. 1446, as "son of John Lannargh" (m.6); and in 1450 he was sued for land in Lanhomure, Cornwall.¹

D. shortly before 15 June 1465,² leaving a widow, Jane;³ perhaps Richard Lannargh, mayor of Helston in 1494, was his son.⁴ As Thomas is called "Mr." he was presumably a lawyer.

LANOY, THOMAS (1410-60); of Launceston, gent. M.P. Launceston 1455-6.

A man of this name was M.P. Dartmouth 1425, a relation or possibly the same. In 1432 Thomas Lanoy of Launceston was one of many "malefactors" of that borough who had assaulted the men of Sir William Botreaux, or so Sir William said. Lanoy was an elector for Cornwall 1442, 1446, 1449 (2).

LARWOOD, NICHOLAS (1435-95); of Windsor. M.P. Windsor 1491-2.

Mayor of Windsor 1466. In 1475/85 Richard Hammond, armourer, sued the marshal of the Marshalsea for permitting Nicholas Larwood to proceed in an action in which he was non-suited, but the non-suit not entered.⁵ So runs Hammond's version of the dispute; one quite sees why he was an armourer if he had to face Larwood.

LATIMER, (Sir) JOHN (1450-99); of Duntish in Buckland, Dorset. M.P. Shaftesbury 1472-5.⁶

Perhaps s. of Sir Nicholas Latimer of Buckland-Newton and Duntish, M.P. (1429-1505). But all that can be found about Sir John is that as a knight he was J.P. for Dorset, 1 Sept. 1499, and no longer on the bench, 11 Feb. 1500.

LATIMER, Sir NICHOLAS (1429-1505); of Duntish in Buckland. Customer of Poole and Controller of subsidy in London, 1455-60. M.P. DORSET 1453-4,⁷ (? 1470-1), 1472-5. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir John Latimer of the same, M.P. 1437 (*d.* 1460), by his wife Catherine Pipard;⁸ *m.* (1) Jane da. of Sir John Hody M.P. Chief Justice (*d.* 1441), by whom he had Sir John Latimer M.P. (1450-1500); and (2) Margaret who survived him.⁸

An elector, Dorset, 1450 and 1460. In Mar. 1455 he was made contr. of subsidy and poundage in the port of London, and in June 1455 contr. of customs etc. in Poole; which latter office was renewed in 1458. He was pardoned, 4 Jan. 1459, as "late of Duntysse, Dorset, esq., *alias* late sheriff of Somerset and Dorset" (m.36); sheriff, Som. and Dorset, 1453-4; sheriff, Glos., 1458-9; a Dorset comnr., Apr. 1459.

In 1461 he was attainted, and in Feb. and Mar. 1462 his lands were granted away to Sir John Howard and Edward Grey;⁹ in fact he was with Queen Margaret in the North. Worcester (*Annales*, p. 780) says that Sir Nicholas Latimer was restored to his lands in Dec. 1462; but the pardon to Sir Nicholas Latimer is dated 30 June 1463; and the attainder was not reversed till 1467/8. In Aug. 1466 Nicholas Latimer knt. and his heir were restored to the lands he had forfeited

¹ *Geneal. N.S.* xviii. 234.

² When his writ of *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Cornwall (Fine Roll, 5 Edw. IV, m.24). ³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 54/301. ⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 10. ⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 64/119.

⁶ While his father sat for the County. ⁷ Called "Knight" in the Return, but erroneously.

⁸ *Ex inf.* E. S. Fry; *Som. Rec. Soc.* xix. 337. ⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1462), pp. 111, 178.

in 1461. The casual way in which he is not called knight in 1462 except by Worcester, and the official adoption of the title in 1463 and later, suggests that he was knntd. by the Lancastrians after Edward's coronation. He cannot have been knntd. by Edward while under attainr. He was exempted from the Act of Resumption of 1467/8 and restored by that Parlt. 3 June 1468, "he having sworn loyalty to the King at Bamborough before the Earls of Warwick and Worcester"¹—this must have been in 1463. In Apr. 1470 Latimer was one of those followers of Clarence and Warwick whose lands were to be seized as rebels.

The Readeption govt. made him a comnr. in Oct. 1470 and sheriff of Som. and Dorset again Nov. 1470, and he seems to have followed Clarence, remained sheriff after Tewkesbury, and was elected to Parlt. and pardoned, 3 Feb. 1472, "of Dunthyshe, knnt." ; and made J.P. 8 Dec. 1471 to 15 July 1474, 15 Apr. 1478 to 5 Dec. 1483, 15 Nov. 1485 till death. He was on the subsidy comns. in Apr. and Aug. 1483, but joined with the Duke of Buckingham, raising the men of Berkshire ; attainted, "late of Duntish"² in 1484 ; but pardoned his life 26 Apr. 1484, though his lands were granted elsewhere in Dec. He may well have fled overseas and returned with Henry of Richmond. His attainder was reversed 1485 and he was reinstated on the bench.

D. 1505 ; will, dat. 8 Feb., pr. 17 Apr. 1505. To be buried in St. Margaret's, Buckland. Margaret his wife sole exix.³

LAURENCE, JOHN (1420-85) ; of Wyboston, lawyer. M.P. BEDFORDSHIRE 1449-50, 1450-1.

On Beds. comns. 1444 to 23 Apr. 1483, including the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459 ; eschr., Beds. and Bucks., 1448-9 ; pardoned, 15 June 1452 as of Little Stoughton, Beds., yeoman ; pardoned outlawry for debt and cattle-lifting, 15 Nov. 1454, as "Lourence *alias* Laurence *alias* Laurens *alias* Larens, of Wyboldeston, Beds., gent."⁴ J.P. Beds., and of the quorum, 23 June 1455 to 3 Mar. 1467, and 7 Dec. 1473 to 10 Nov. 1475 ; pardoned, 6 Feb. 1463 "*late* escheator of Beds. and Bucks." ; escheator, Cambs. and Hunts., 1463-4 ; elector, Beds., 1467 ; again pardoned outlawry for debt in 1465. In 1470 he was committed to the Fleet for a large debt to Ralph, baron of Greystoke ;⁵ and, indeed, he was sued for debt all his life—lastly in Jan. 1483. After the Readeption he was pardoned as "of Wyboldeston, gent., late eschr. of Cambs. and Hunts.", 12 Dec. 1471.

He probably died in 1483 or soon after, but there is a will of a John Laurence, to be buried in the Friars Minor, London, pr. in P.C.C., 1493 (14 Blamyr).

LAURENCE see UFFENHAM.

LAVINGTON (LAVYNTON), THOMAS (1395-1455) ; of Reading ; lawyer.

M.P. Reading 1416 (1), 1417, 1420, 1421 (May), 1422, 1423, 1425, 1427, 1429-30, 1431, 1435, 1442.

One of the Reading XXIV, 1432 ;⁶ sworn to the peace in Berks., 1434 ; feoffee of a shop in London belonging to Geoffrey Fielding (*q.v.*), 1438 ;⁷ an exor. of Thomas Polton, bishop of Worcester, 1439 ; jointly with the abbot of Reading he was owed £7 10s. in Berks., 1442 ; justice of oyer, 1450. J.P. Berks., of the

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1468), 90.

² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 246.

³ P.C.C., 29 Holgrave.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1454), 196.

⁵ *Ex inf.* Miss M. Fletcher.

⁶ Guilding, *Reading Diaries*, i. 1.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. pp. 278, 279.

quorum, 13 Nov. 1448 till 22 July 1455, whence we may judge that he died between June and July of that year.

LAWE, WILLIAM; of Dover. M.P. Dover 1469.

He was a jurat of Dover 1467-70,¹ and in 1469 Richard Palmer and William Lawe were paid 50s. for going to the Parlt. at York which never met.²

LAWESHULL, WILLIAM (1425-61); of Gt. Comerd, Suff., gent. Of the King's Chamber. M.P. Maldon 1459. Lancastrian.

One of the nine grooms of the Chamber 1454;³ had livery of clothes 1455/6;⁴ pardoned, 12 Oct. 1456, as late of Great Comerd, Suff., gent., *alias* of the King's Chamber;⁵ with other Lancastrians his arrest was ordered, 14 Jan. 1461. Perhaps killed at St. Albans or Towton.

LAWLEY, JOHN (1420-84/5); of Wenlock; lawyer. Marshal of the Exchequer 1462. M.P. Bridgnorth 1447; Downton 1449 (1); Bridgnorth 1449-50; Wootton Bassett 1450-1; Bridgnorth 1453-4, 1455-6. Yorkist.

S. of William Lawley, M.P.; *m.* by 1443 Elizabeth (Isabel) (*d.* 1477) widow of Thomas Rothewell.⁶

A feoffee in Beds., 1449; comnr. in Coventry, 1449, and in Salop after the return of the Yorkists, from July 1460 to 1484, including the comns. of 1483-4; eschr., Salop, 1451-2; J.P. Salop, of the quorum, 1 Sept. 1460 till 6 Nov. 1470, and Berks., 14 Nov. 1470 to 1471, and again 10 Nov. 1475 till death; in July 1461 Edward IV made him his general attorney in North Wales; Marshal of the Exchequer during the minority of John, duke of Norfolk, Oct. 1462; pardoned 1462 as "of Wenlock, gent., late eschr. of Salop." In 1469 Lawley was the first bailiff elected for Wenlock and is there described as "*in lege peritus*".⁷ He probably instigated the representation of Wenlock in Parliament in 1472.

D., to judge from his comns., between 4 May 1484 and 20 Sept. 1485; the ancestor of the present Lords Wenlock.

LECICHE see LEECH.

LEDICOTE (LADICOT), WILLIAM; of Barnstaple, shipowner. M.P. Barnstaple 1453-4.

Of whom all we know is that in 1455/8 William Nerber of St. Athan, Glamorgan, sued William Lethycote of Barnstaple for a share of the ballinger *Mary*.⁸

LEE, ALEXANDER (1400-60); of Hythe, fisherman. M.P. Hythe 1450-1,⁹ 1460-1.

Perhaps son of John Lee, M.P. Hythe 1432.

Sworn a freeman of Hythe, and paid cess on goods and chattels to the value of £6, 1420.¹⁰ A fisherman, and helped with the Bordeaux trade. On 10 Jan. 1452

¹ Addl. MS. 29616, Brit. Mus.

² Egerton MS. 22090, Brit. Mus.

³ *Priv. Counc. Proc.* vi. 225.

⁴ *Exchqr. Accts.* 361/6.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1456 (m.4).

⁶ About 1443 Alexander Browning (*q.v.*) sued Lawley for feigned plaints of debt and trespass in order to obtain release from a bond of £40 for procuring Lawley's marriage with Browning's aunt, Elizabeth Rothwell (*Early Chan. Proc.* 20/137). On 23 Oct. 1477 a writ *diem clausit extremum* was directed to the eschr. of Berks. *re* Isabelle wife of John Lawley and late wife of Thomas Rothwell (*Fine Roll*, 17 Edw. IV, m.16).

⁷ *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 15/223.

⁹ Elected 4 Oct. 1450 (*Hythe Accts.* E.94).

¹⁰ Wilks, *Parl. Rep. of Hythe*.

he claimed for his wages at Westminster for 126 days at 2s. a day, and he had 13s. 4d. when he set out for Parlt.¹ On 27 Sept. 1460 Robert Christian and Alexander Legh were elected and they set out together 5 Oct. 1460; Christian returned on 12 Nov. (39 days), and Legh on 2 Dec. (59 days). Both went to London on 29 Jan. and returned 5 Feb. 1461 (11 days).² This is the evidence that Parliament was not dissolved in Dec. 1460, but on 4 Mar. 1461 when Edward took the Crown. It may be his son Alexander Legh who was canon of Windsor 1470, and/or controller of Berwick 1482.

LEE, BENNET (1420-76); of Warwick and of Quarendon, Bucks., grazier. M.P. Warwick boro' 1467-8.

Fifth s. of John Lee of Wybunbury, Cheshire, by a da. of Dutton; *m.* Elizabeth, da. of John Wood; and from them came Genl. Robert Lee of Virginia (1807-70).

Pardoned, 12 Oct. 1455, "of Warwick, yeoman, *alias* of Quaryndon, Bucks., grasier" (m.30), and 8 Feb. 1458, "of Warwick, grasier and drover, late of Querndon, Bucks." (m.16), and 12 June 1472, "of Quarndon, Bucks., grazier, *alias* of Warwick, *alias* yeoman" (m.24). In 1473/5 Benet Lee of Warwickshire, father of John Lee, decd., late citizen and draper of London, sued the mayor and aldermen of London for bringing an action for debt against him as exor. for his son.³

D. 1476. Will, dat. 7 Sept., pr. 20 Sept. 1476. To be bur. in St. Nicholas, Warwick. To s. Roger his great place called "Benett's place", after the death of his wife. Other lands, etc., to sons Richard, Edward, John. £30 to das. Elizabeth and Anne. £100 to each son. Marks 400 to wife. Edward is his "eldest" s. and h. Exors. :—his wife Elizabeth, William Foys and Richard Legh.³

LEE (LYGH, LYE), JOHN (1450-1503); of Addington, Surrey. Yeoman of the Crown 1475-83. M.P. Plympton 1478, (? 1484).

Probably s. of John Lygh the elder of Addington, dead by 1481.

He was yeoman of the Chamber when the forfeited lands of Henry Hilton in Guildford were granted to him, Mar. 1475; yeoman of the Crown when the bailiwick of Plympton, late of the Duke of Clarence, was granted to him and Piers Curteys (*q.v.*) jointly, Mar. 1478—hence he sat for Plympton or *vice versa*. Pardoned 10 Mar. 1484, being then of Addington "and late of London, gent."—hence perhaps again M.P.; apptd. keeper of Bristol gaol, 1 Oct. 1486; J.P. Surrey, 24 May 1494 till death; on gaol delivery at Guildford 1486-1503; pardoned, 3 Mar. 1501.⁴

D. 24 Apr. 1503, John Lygh of Addington; when Nicholas, aged 9, was his s. and h.⁵ Nicholas, his s., had livery of Addington, 10 June 1516.⁶

LEE, (Sir) RICHARD (1405-72); ald. of London; grocer. M.P. London 1450-1.

¹ Hythe Acct. Books, E.94, etc.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 48/2.

³ P.C.C., 26 Wattyss.

⁴ As John Lygh of Addington, Surrey, *alias* Lye, gent. (m.43).

⁵ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 684. Among the feoffees for Addington were Henry Heydon, Richard Skinner, John Skinner (*q.v.*), and Ralph Tykyl, exor. of John (Stafford), earl of Wilts.

⁶ John Leigh, "bailiff," witnessed a deed at Aveton-Giffard (about 14 miles E.S.E. from Plympton) in 1462. The same man, as "of Damerellyscornb" (Damerel's Combe in Aveton) sold land in Aveton-Giffard in 1482. But as the John Lye made bailiff of Plympton in 1478 was undoubtedly a yeoman of the Crown, the M.P. for Plympton in 1478 must, we think, be John Lye of Addington.

He heads the Kent Visitn. pedigree and had sons, Richard and Master John, and seven das.

Citizen and *draper* of London, 1432, but as "grocer" he was exempted from all office, 1442; collr. of subsidy, 1449;¹ auditor of London 1446-8, 1453-5; master of the grocers 1452-4, 1459-60, 1468-9; elector 1447, 1449 (1), 1455, 1467; alderman of London 1452 till death; sheriff 1452-3, mayor 1460-1, 1469-70; pardoned 1 May 1456 and 1458; urged the Earls to keep out of the City, June 1460, but later negotiated a loan to Salisbury.² While mayor in Feb. 1461, the Lancastrians conquered at St. Albans and advanced on London. Lee was Lancastrian in sympathy but the common people dreaded the northern host and could not be persuaded to let them into the City. At Edward IV's coronation banquet Lee, as mayor, presented the King with a cup of wine and a golden ewer, and received them back as his fee.³ Edward granted him the advowson of St. Stephen's, Walbrook, 1462;⁴ which was exempted from resumption, 1467;⁵ comnr. for apportioning relief of taxn. in the City, 1463.⁶ When Edward and Warwick were both hastening to seize the City in Apr. 1471, and mayor Stockton feigned or fell sick, Lee acted as mayor for a week,⁷ before he too "fell sick". He was kntd. at the Bridgehead after the defeat of the bastard Faucomberge, 1 May 1471.

D. 1471/2. Will, dat. 4 Sept. 1471, pr. 4 Mar. 1473. Richard Lee knt., late mayor of London and citizen, grocer and ald. of London. To be bur. in St. Stephen's, Walbrook. Bequests to ch. of East Grinstead, Sussex, where his mother is bur., and to Walkingstead, Surrey, where his father is bur. £20 for his tomb. Bequests to s. Richard Lee and da. Margaret wife of George Irland knt. (*q.v.*), and his da. Alice w. of John Michel, cit. and grocer, and his da. Lettice w. of John Stokes, cit. and grocer, and his da. Jane w. of John Fogge esq. (*q.v.*). Also to s. Mr. John Lee, doctor of laws. Exors.:—his w. Lettice and George Ireland knt. Codicil, dat. 17 Sept. 1471. Lee, who had been three (!) times Mayor of London—bequests to church of Maidstone and to poor people at York, "namely such as I have bought and sold withall" who have fallen into poverty.⁸

LEE (LYGH, LEIGHE, LYE), ROBERT (1415-70); of Huntville and Corsley, Wilts.; lawyer; servant to Lord Hungerford. M.P. Chippenham 1467-8.

Elector, Wilts., 1442, 1447, 1449 (1); called "of Huntvyll" when a feoffee for Thomas Tropenell (*q.v.*) in 1446;⁹ acting for the Hungerfords in 1449.¹⁰ Robert Lye esq. witnessed a deed at Chippenham 1451, and another deed as "senior" 1454.¹¹ Attorney for Tropenell 1451,¹² and his feoffee in 1458 and 1465, for Henry Long (*q.v.*) in 1463. The Parlt. of 1463 exempted both senr. and junr. from resumption;¹³ the Parlt. of 1467-8, in which a Robert Lee sat, exempted only Robert Lygh the elder;¹⁴ and no "junior" or "senior" appears at all in future. Probably it was the father who witnessed the deed of Margaret, lady Hungerford and Botreaux, in 1469; but the Robert Lygh, specifically called of Huntvyll in 1474 and 1476, elector in 1478, pardoned in 1485, must be the second of the name.

¹ Jor. 5, fo. 18.

² *ibid.* fos. 238, 254.

³ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 128, 183.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* v. 531.

⁵ *ibid.* v. 599.

⁶ *Letter Book L*, 29.

⁷ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 564.

⁸ P.C.C., 5 Wattys.

⁹ *Tropenell Cart.* i. 286, 323.

¹⁰ *ibid.* i. 102, 103.

¹¹ *ibid.* i. 409.

¹² *ibid.* ii. 155.

¹³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 531, 546.

¹⁴ *ibid.* v. 609.

Obviously it could have been the s. who sat in 1467-8; but if it had been the s. he would be more likely to be described on the return as "junior".

LEE (LEGH), ROGER (1405-50); Clarencieux King of Arms. M.P. Arundel 1442.

Perhaps s. of Richard Legh of Ridge, Cheshire, and first cousin of Ralph Legh M.P.; in which case Sir Thomas Lee, mayor of London, was his son.¹ Lee may be a common name, but Roger is not so common; and, as there is no trace of a local Roger Lee at Arundel, or in Sussex, we think this man the Member for Arundel.

A feoffee in London 1432.² In Mar. 1436 a comn. was issued to Roger Lee, *alias* Clerenseux King of Arms, to provide himself with horses required to take him to and from Scotland on the King's business. Presumably the same man accounts for land in Essex 1442-4, and he is the eschr. for Essex 1443-4.³

LEE (LEGH), (Sir) WILLIAM (1420-62); of Isell. M.P. CUMBERLAND 1459. Lancastrian.

Perhaps s. and h. of Sir William Lee jun. of same, M.P. Cumberland 1423.⁴

Elector, Cumbd., 1449 (1). In Aug. 1453 the Privy Council wrote to Lee and ðrs. of Cumbd. and Westd. complaining that they had been leaders of riots, ordering them to keep the peace and obey Sir William Lucy and ðrs. comnrs.⁵ On the Cumbd. comn. of array, Dec. 1459; J.P. Cumbd., 9 Dec. 1459 to 1461. Pardoned, 5 Feb. 1462, as *Sir* William Legh of Isell (m.47); but immediately after £100 was offered for his capture, and by the end of the month Robert Skelton of Carlisle (*q.v.*) had taken him and had the reward.⁶

Beheaded 1 Mar. 1462.⁶ Presumably he was knntd., if he ever was a knight, at Wakefield or St. Albans, Dec. 1460/Feb. 1461. His son William was admitted to Lincoln's Inn 1462, and was knntd. by the time he was made sheriff in 1469.

LEECH (LECCHÉ), WILLIAM; of Colchester, merchant. M.P. Colchester 1449-50.

Bailiff of Colchester in 1450; pardoned 11 Nov. 1452, as "William Lecche *alias* Lacche, of Colchester, merchant" (m.14). There was a John Leche who was M.P. for Colchester in 1383.

LEEDS (LEDYS), JOHN (1435-75); perhaps of Horsham, Sussex.⁷ M.P. Reigate 1472-5.

Probably s. of Reynold Leeds (s. of John Ledys, *d.* 1457); *m.* Anne Southwark, and *d.* 1475.⁸

John Leeds esq. appears in the ancient indictments of the King's Bench 1462; a juror in Southwark 1465, 1467.⁹ John Leeds and Richard Jay (*q.v.*) were trespassed against by a gent. of Bolney, Sussex, in 1466. As an "esquire" he was an elector for Sussex, when returned for Reigate 1472.

¹ *Visitn. Cheshire*, 154.

² *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1432), 177.

³ *Enr. Accts.* F. 17 Henry VI, G.; P.R.O. List of Eschrs.

⁴ Pardoned, 4 July 1437, William Lee, knnt., s. and h. of William Lee, knnt., late sheriff of Cumbd. and exor. of will of William Lee (m.16).

⁵ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. pp. 154-5.

⁶ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 233; Issue Rolls, Mich. 1 Edw. IV.

⁷ He complains against Jane Lewkenor of West Grinstead that she had trespassed on his lands at Horsham (*Suss. Arch. Colls.* liv. 42 *et seq.*).

⁸ *Sussex Arch. Colls.* liv. 42.

⁹ Slip index of Anc. Indictments at Her. Coll.

LEEKE, WILLIAM (1420-58); of Uppingham and of Little Leeke, Notts., esq. M.P. RUTLAND 1453-4.

Eschr. N'hants., 1450-1;¹ pardoned outlawry posthumously, as of Uppingham, esq., for failure to appear to answer Everard Digby esq. (*q.v.*) *re* a debt of £40.²

D. 29 Nov. 1458, when John, aged 7, was his s. and h.; lands—Leeke parva manor, Notts.³

LEGH, Sir PIERS (1455-1527); of Lyme, Cheshire. M.P. LANCASHIRE 1491-2, 1495.

S. and h. of Piers Legh of same (*d.* 1468), by Mabel da. and coh. of James Croft of Dalton; *m.* Ellen (*d.* 1491) da. of Sir John Savage of Clifton, Lancs., by Katherine sister of the first Earl of Derby.⁴

Made a banneret in Scotland by the duke of Gloucester, 24 July 1482;⁵ said to have been at Bosworth under his wife's uncle Lord Stanley; also at Stoke, 1487; a banneret at York's creation, 1494;⁶ subsidy comnr. for Lancs., 1504;⁷ steward of Blackburnshire, 1505; in attendance at Henry VII's funeral; pardoned 1509, as of Bradley and Burton Wood, Lancs., of Lyme in Handley, Chesh., and of London.

He entered the priesthood 1511, and *d.* 1527.⁸

LEGH (LYGH), RALF (1415-71); of Stockwell, Surrey; servant of the Household and of Bp. of Winchester. M.P. Downton 1442, (? 1445-6); East Grinstead 1447; Downton 1453-4; Taunton 1455-6; SURREY 1459; Downton 1467-8.

S. and h. of John Legh of Ridge, Cheshire,⁹ a cadet of Legh of Lyme; *m.* Elizabeth da. and coh. of Henry Langley of Rickling, Essex; and he probably *m.* her while he was still clerk of the King's kitchen.¹⁰

This servt. of the Household—under clerk of the kitchen 1437-41, serjt. of the catery 1441, marshal of the Hall 1445-55—had the following emoluments:—eschr. of Merioneth, Feb. 1437; chief remembrancer of the exchq. in Ireland, May 1437; chirographer of the Common Bench, Dec. 1437, jointly with William Pope; raglote of Penllyn, Merioneth, May 1438;¹¹ serjt. of the catery, 7 Nov. 1441; the raglawry of Estimauer, 10 Nov. 1441. He was given charge of the unfortunate duchess of Gloucester (was paid £100 for it), taking her to Chester, Feb. 1442.¹² Perhaps he went to Ireland after his first Parlt. was dissolved; for on 19 July 1442 he apptd. James White as his deputy serjt. of the catery; and on 16 July 1442 there is a mandate to Ormond, lieut. of Ireland, to permit the King's squire, Ralf Legh, to hold the office of remembrancer of the Exchq. in Ireland by self or deputy, with fees; he lost the post in 1443, returning maybe to England.

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1451), 455.

² *ibid.* (1459), 454.

³ *Inq. p.m.* 37 Hen. VI, No. 23.

⁴ But in 1475/85 Sir Thomas Pilkington sued Sir Piers Legh, husband of *Elizabeth*, sometime wife of Sir John Pilkington uncle to Sir Thomas, for failing to carry out an award made by John, late bp. of Exeter (*Early Chan. Proc.* 59/118). ⁵ Shaw, *Knights*, ii. 18.

⁶ Gairdner, *Let. & Pap.* i. 403. ⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 535. ⁸ W. Beaumont, *House of Lyme*.

⁹ *Visitn. Surrey*, p. 20; *Visitn. Cheshire*, p. 154.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 10/309.

¹¹ In Apr. 1438 he must have been at least in Cheshire, for he was directed to take the muster of a force for Ireland.

¹² F. Devon, *Issues of the Exchequer*, 441.

By Aug. 1445 he had ceased to be serjt. of the catery and had become marshal of the hall, exempted 1449-50; a feoffee, with Geoffrey Goodlook (*q.v.*) of Dr. Somerseth's lands at Twickenham, Mar. 1449.¹ Kennington, Surrey, which had been committed to him in Feb. 1446, was confirmed to him in May 1452; he was still marshal of the hall and was apptd. customer of London, Apr. 1454. Bailiff of the bp. of Winchester in Bucks., 1453;² in the pardon roll of Oct. 1455 he is described as of Stockwell, Surrey, esq., *alias* eschr. of Cheshire, *alias* eschr. of Merioneth (m.28). He probably lost the office of marshal after St. Albans; but was made bailiff of Sandgatte and Hammes in Picardy, with 12*d.* a day, Mar. 1457; and in Dec. 1458 he had a gown from the Gt. Wardrobe of the livery of the other squires of the Household. Downton and Taunton were both boroughs belonging to the bp. of Winchester, and Legh must have been specially in the service of Cardinal Beaufort and Bp. Wainfleet. J.P. Surrey, 20 July 1454 to 10 Jan. 1457, and 16 Sept. 1458 to 24 Dec. 1460; elector, Surrey, 1449 (1), 1467; on Surrey comns. 1457 to Apr. 1460. He sat in the Lancastrian Parlt. at Coventry 1459 and was put on the comn. of array. Whatever his post was it certainly involved fees, for Sir John Fastolf wrote to John Paston in July 1459 that "he had caused a patent to be written and sealed for Ralf Alygh's fee."³

He survived 1461 successfully, but the only exemption for him granted by the Parlt. of 1461 was his corrody from Croyland Abbey. Pardoned, 24 Sept. 1462;⁴ in 1465/70 a scrivener of London sued Ralf of Legh for the manor of Stockwell, Surrey;⁵ and about the same time John Copeland, servt. to the earl of Warwick, sued the sheriffs of London for his arrest at the suit of Ralf Legh in a dispute as to the manor of Stockwell.⁶ In Apr. 1465 Thomas St. Leger got a lease of the manor of Kennington, which Legh had had.

D. 22 Aug. 1471, and John, aged 22, was his s. and h.

LEICESTER (LEYCESTRE), JOHN; of Malmesbury. M.P. Malmesbury 1467-8.

Philip Leicester was a Wilts. attorney and occurs 1400-21; *Walter*, perhaps the father of the M.P., was a witness to Wilts. deeds in 1431, 1451, etc.; and *William* Leycestre of Malmesbury, yeoman, was pardoned 1452. John was therefore probably a local man.

LEIGHE see LEE.

LEIGHTON, JOHN (1430-96); of Stretton en le Dale, esq. M.P. SALOP 1460-1, (? 1463-5),⁷ 1467-8, 1472-5, 1478.

Second s. of Edward Leighton (*d.* 1455), by Elizabeth da. and coh. of John Stapleton of Stapleton, Salop; hence John was brother-in-law to his 1472 colleague. *M.* Ankaret (dead in 1471), da. and coh. of Sir John Burgh of Wattlesboro' M.P.

The bishop of Hereford made him steward of Bishop's Castle in 1463.⁸ J.P. Salop, 1 Dec. 1468 to 26 June 1483, 17 Nov. 1485 till death; sheriff, Salop,

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 521.

² Pipe Roll of Bp. of Winchester at P.R.O.

³ *Paston Letters*, i. 442.

⁴ As late of Macclesfield, gent., *alias* late of Stockwell, esq. (m.10).

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 20/30.

⁶ *ibid.* 32/329.

⁷ Deduced from the fact that he was *not* an apportioner of subsidy, 1463.

⁸ *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

1467-8, 1473-4 (while M.P.), 1481-2; escheator, Salop, 1488-9; on Salop comms. from Oct. 1470 to the subsidy comm. of 1488, including Richard III's arrays of May and Dec. 1484. For his "great charges in the King's service" he had custody of the Burgh estates during the minority of his son, Thomas, *b.* 1453 and heir to his mother Ankaret then dead, 22 Dec. 1471. In 1474 the Herbert Countess of Pembroke made Leighton steward of Pontesbury.¹ In 1476 William, earl of Arundel, made him constable of Oswestry castle.² In 1481 the bishop of Hereford allowed him as a "discrete man" to have a chapel at Stretton. In 1480/3 the abbot of Buildwas was suing this discrete man for that he and his son, William Leighton, had broken into a chapel, tearing up the hedges on the abbey pastures.³

D. shortly before 4 Feb. 1496, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Salop.³ Mr. H. T. Weyman quotes Bp. Mulling's register (p. 206) and *County Seats* by Stanley Leighton M.P. (p. 208) for the opinion that John Leighton was M.P. for Salop in 1460. His son, Sir Thomas Leighton, was M.P. Salop.

LEIGHTON, Sir THOMAS (1453-1519); of Stretton en le Dale. Knt. of the Body 1488-1509. M.P. SALOP 1485-6, (? 1497), (? 1504), (? 1512).⁴

S. and h. of John Leighton of same M.P. (1430-96) by Ankaret (Burgh); *m.* Elizabeth (*d.* 1516), da. of Sir Thomas Ferrers and widow of Sir Richard Corbet (*d.* 1492) (*q.v.*).⁵

He succeeded to his mother's lands 1471, and, as he was kntd. by Nov. 1485 while his father was plain squire, he may well have fought at Bosworth. Knt. of the Body by 1486,⁶ commanding troops in Brittany, 1488; J.P. Salop, 17 Nov. 1485 till death; on Salop comms. 1488 onwards; sheriff, Salop, 1494-5; member of the Council of the marches of Wales;⁷ steward of Conover 1498; at Court—at the French reception 1492, at York's creation 1494, at Katherine's reception 1501; served at Tournay and Therouenne when a banneret, 1512.⁸

D. 1519, and was succeeded by his s. John, also M.P. (*d.* 1536).⁹ From him descends Mr. Parker Leighton, the present M.P. for Salop.

LELE see LISLE.

LEMINGTON (LEMATON),¹⁰ JOHN (1400-49); of London, gent.; of the Exchequer; Warden of the Mint, 1447-9. M.P. Reigate 1442; (? Liskeard 1445-6); MIDDLESEX 1449 (1) ("Lemyngton").¹⁰

Brother of Richard Lemington, merchant of the staple, of Hull.

¹ Sir Baldwin Leighton, *Leighton Family History*.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 32/320.

³ Fine Roll, 11 Hen. VII (m.2).

⁴ The earl of Arundel (1450-1524) (lord of Clun and Oswestry) writes (undated) to Sir Thomas Leighton "I understand you demand knights pence from my tenants in Clunland, the wich was never axed of them by no knight of the shire before your time," written from Downley, Sussex (*Montgomeryshire Sheriffs*, 61). This letter is dated by Mr. H. T. Weyman "1512," but it may refer to an earlier Parlt.

⁵ *Salop Visitt.* 136. He may have *m.* also (2 or 3) Anne da. of Roger Baker.

⁶ He was granted a reward of 40 marks and an annuity of 40 marks out of Norfolk, 10 Nov. 1486 (Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 53, 83), probably his wage as knt. of the Body.

⁷ *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

⁸ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 1176, 2392, app. 26.

⁹ Sir Baldwin Leighton, *op. cit.*; *Ancestor*, iv.

¹⁰ There is confusion in all the entries on the Rolls concerning this man—sometimes Lemington, sometimes Lematon. Lemington and Lematon are the same person—see the Pardon Rolls, 1 July 1462, where Richard Lematon, late mayor of York, is called *alias* Lemyngton; and 1472.

He was concerned in recognisances, 1432 and 1434, to be levied on his lands in Kent; was granted the office of clerk of the works at Berwick, Roxburgh and Carlisle, at the request of Sir Henry Percy, 1442; employed at the Exchequer 1446; repaired Roxburgh castle in Feb. and July 1448; parker of Liskeard 1445-7; warden of the mint with 2s. 6d. a day, as held by John Somerseth (*q.v.*), 29 May 1447,² as well as the reversion, on Somerseth's death,³ of the office of Chancellor of the Exchequer which Somerseth had held since 18 Dec. 1439. It was this warden of the Mint who was an elector in Mdsx. in 1447, and he was joined with the Duke of Suffolk in Jan. 1449, after his return for Mdsx., in the exclusive privilege of mining gold, silver, lead and copper everywhere outside Devon and Cornwall, paying a royalty of one-fifteenth of the gross output.

D. 7/10 Oct. 1449; and on 10 Oct. 1449 his office of warden of the Mint and the reversion of the Chancellorship of the Exchequer were granted elsewhere. His exors. accounted for his work as clerk of the works 1442-9 and warden of the Mint 1447-9. Will, dat. 7 Oct., pr. 7 Nov. 1449. John Lematon, of London, gent. To be bur. in St. Bartholomew's, West Smithfield. Exors., William Venor, cit. of London, his bros. Thomas Lematon, rector of Spofford, and Richard Lematon (*q.v.*), merchant, Robert Forster and Thomas York. Supervisor, Ralph Butler, lord Sudeley.⁴

LEMTON (LENTON) see LEYNTON.

LEUKENORE see LEWKNOR.

LEVELORD (LYVELODE), ADAM (1395-1454/5); of Southwark. Coroner, 1438-46; lawyer. M.P. Southwark 1429-30, 1432, 1435, 1437, (? 1439-40), 1442, (? 1445-6), 1447; Rye 1449-50.

He was granting a tenement in Southwark in 1423;⁵ a witness at Aylesford, Kent, 1430, at Southwark 1432, at Dulwich 1433, at Clapham 1434;⁶ sworn to the peace in Surrey, as of Southwark esq., May 1434; one of the King's coroners in Surrey by July 1438; on Surrey comms. of sewers 1443 to 1453; pardoned in 1446 as of Southwark, gent., *alias* coroner of Surrey. That he was also the Adam *Lyvelode* who sat for Rye may be seen from the following indenture of 1447:—Adam Leulorde, on the one part, and Robert Onweyn of Rye, gent. (*q.v.*), John Sutton of Rye, fishmonger (*q.v.*), and Richard Schadwell of Rye, husbandman, of the other part; by which Adam leases to the others his manor of Levisham (Leasham) in the lordship of Brede, Sussex.⁷ He was paid his Parlt. wages in 1449, after he had taken up his freedom in Rye.⁸

D. 1454/5. Will, dat. 11 Sept. 1454, pr. 4 Aug. 1455. To be bur. in St. Mary's, Overy, where his wives lie. Masses for the souls of his parents, for Henry his bro., for Isabel his sis., and for Robert Asherst. He mentions his s. Robert and da. Margaret. Exors.:—John Pemberton, vintner, Robert Oxenbridge, esq. (*q.v.*), John Pemberton, clerk. Supervisor, Thomas Rigby.⁹ His exor. Robert Oxenbridge

¹ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1429-35), 185, 316.

² He accounts as Warden of the Mint 1447 till death (Exchq. Accts. (Mint)).

³ But Somerseth certainly survived him.

⁴ P.C.C., 18 Rowse.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1440), 420.

⁶ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1429-35), pp. 98, 172, 291, 345.

⁷ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* v. 500.

⁸ Rye, Chamberlain's Accts. i. fols. 12, 14, 19.

⁹ P.C.C., 2 Stokton.

of Rye recovered from Rye in 1455 the wages still owing to Levelord for the Parlt. at Leicester, 23s. 4d.¹ His s. Robert (1430-90) sat in Parlt. for Southwark in 1472.

LEVELORD (LYFFELOD), ROBERT (1430-85); of Southwark, gent.

M.P. Southwark² 1472-5; Taunton 1478.²

S. of Adam Levelord of Southwark M.P. (1395-1454/5).

He was pardoned, 12 Jan. 1472, as "of Southwark, gent., *alias* Lyffelod," and exempted from all office, 1476.

LEVENTHORPE, JOHN (1400-84); of Sawbridgeworth, Herts.; lawyer.

M.P. Horsham 1453-4.

S. and h. of John Leventhorpe of the same, M.P. Herts. 1413, 1422, (*d.* 1435), by Catherine (*d.* 1431) Twichett; *m.* Jane Barrington of Barrington, Essex.³

Free warren in Sawbridgeworth, Herts., and Ugley, Essex, was granted to the King's squire John Leventhorpe and heirs, 28 Apr. 1438. J.P. Herts., of the quorum, 24 July 1437 to 10 July 1471, called "elder", and 18 June 1477 to 26 July 1483; elector, Herts., 1442, 1450, 1453, 1455; elector, Suffolk, 1447; elector, Sussex, 1449 (1); on Herts. comns. 1442 onwards, including the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459 and the Readeption comns., till 1473 when he is styled "elder"; apptd. keeper of lands of minors in Essex, 1439; obtained a charter granting him and his heirs a weekly market at Sawbridgeworth with two yearly fairs, 1448.⁴ He was with the Duke of Norfolk at the sack of Letheringham in Sept. 1448; pardoned Nov. 1455, called of Sawbridgeworth; and in 1458.

Though he seems to have been associated with the Duke of Buckingham in 1452-6,⁵ the change of dynasty did him no harm. He remained on the bench, and was pardoned, 12 June 1462.⁶ His s. Thomas sat for Herts. in 1467. A John Leventhorpe was pardoned again in May 1470, and "of Saubrichworth, Herts., esq." in Dec. 1471. It would seem that he supported the Readeption government, but age alone would account for his disappearance from comns.

He was a surviving feoffee, with Sir John Say (*q.v.*), in 1478, and died 30 May 1484, when Thomas, aged 60, was his s. and h.; lands—Essex, Herts. There was a contemporary and distinct John Leventhorpe, gaoler of York 1438, of Wymmysley, Yorks., gent., in 1452. It is not so clear that John Leventhorpe, "Marshall of our Marshalsea, *alias* of Southwark," pardoned 4 Oct. 1456, was a third synonymous contemporary. In any case the man who rode with Norfolk and acted with Buckingham is most likely to have sat for Horsham.

LEVENTHORPE, LAURENCE (1425-90). Poor Knight of Windsor.

M.P. Midhurst 1450-1; Bramber 1472-5.

He does not appear in the pedigree of the Hertfordshire Leventhorpes, but he was probably related to John Leventhorpe M.P. (1400-84) and Thomas Leventhorpe M.P. (1424-98). John Stodeley's news-letter of 19 Jan. 1454 ends:—"These thinges aforseid been espied and gadred by my Lord Chauncillor, John

¹ Accounts *ut supra*, f. 48.

² The bp. of Winchester held the manors both of Southwark and Taunton, and had residence in each.

³ Pardon Roll, 1437—John Leventhorpe esq. s. and h. of John Leventhorpe decd. (m.11); *ex inf.* Prof. Jacob. ⁴ *Cal. Charter Rolls* (1438), 4. ⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. pp. 447-8.

⁶ As of Sawbridgeworth, Herts., esq., *alias* senior, *alias* late of Ugley, Essex, *alias* late of Thorley, Herts. (m.20).

Leventhorpe, Laurence Leventhorpe, etc.”—therefore Laurence must have been around the Court.¹ In Mar. 1482 it was granted that Laurence Leventhorpe be one of the “King’s alms knights” in the King’s College of Windsor.²

He was married; for in 1456 Laurence Leventhorpe and Thomasine his wife, late wife of Thomas del Rowe, sued in Chancery the feoffees to uses of Thomas del Rowe for a messuage and lands in Chilham, Kent.³

LEVENTHORPE, THOMAS (1424–85); of Wheathampstead; troncr of London 1476; lawyer. M.P. HERTFORDSHIRE 1467–8.

Second s. of John Leventhorpe M.P. (1400–84) by Jane (Barrington); *m.* (1) Anne da. of Edward Brocket,⁴ and (2) Emma widow of Edward Spendlowe of St. Albans.

J.P. Herts., and of the quorum, 26 Oct. 1454 to 13 Jan. 1455, 18 Nov. 1465 to 18 June 1477, 9 Jan. 1485 to 28 Sept. 1485; on Herts. comms. 1468 onwards. £10 was owed to him in Essex in 1469; feoffee for John Shelly in Herts. 1470; £20 was paid to Haute “by the hands of Thomas Leventhorpe” in 1475.⁵ Apptd. to the office of tronage and pesage in port of London, 22 Oct. 1476. In 1483 he and Emma his wife, previously wife of Edward Spendlowe of St. Albans and his exix., sued abbot William of St. Albans for the manor of Park Bury let by the abbot to lord Hastings and Spendlowe.⁶ At the same time they sued Catherine, the widow of lord Hastings, for the same.⁷ He was still a feoffee for John Shelly, citizen of London in 1483.

It is clear that the lawyer, Thomas Leventhorpe, gent., who *d.* in 1493 leaving a s. John, aged 4, was his eldest s.—he appears as junr. in 1473, and his will (P.C.C., 32 Horne) mentions his mother Brokett and his bro. John. It will be Thomas junr. who was J.P. Beds. 1494–8. The father, Thomas senr., will have died *c.* 1485.

LEVETT (LYVETT), RICHARD (1440–1500); of Hollington, Sussex. M.P. Hastings 1485–6.

Perhaps s. of William Levett; for in 1480 William Levett and Thomassine his wife settled two messuages and sixty-five acres in Hollington in St. Leonards on Richard Levett and heirs of body, to hold by render of a rose at Midsummer; contingent remainder to William and Thomassine and heirs of William.⁸ A Richard Lyvet was a juror at Ore in 1461, and was amerced 3*d.* as absent from the Baldeslowe Hundred Court, 1474.⁹ Bailiff of Hastings, 1482, 1497.¹⁰ John Levett, presumably his s., was bailiff 1496, 1511, 1514, 1520.¹¹

LEWIS (LOWYS) JAMES (1385–1450); of Romney. M.P. Romney 1411, 1413, 1421 (May), 1425, 1431, 1433, 1439–40, 1442.

Descended probably from Henry Lewis, M.P. for Romney 1372.

In 1414 John Halle and Alice, his wife, conveyed to James Lewis and Thomas Rokesle two stalls in the Butchers’ Market at Romney.¹² Bailiff of Romney 1420, 1444, 1449.¹³ In Nov. 1439 pardon was granted to Peter Page of Guernsey, who

¹ *Paston Letters*, i. 267.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1482), 301.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 25/186.

⁴ Will of Thomas Leventhorpe, P.C.C., 32 Horne.

⁵ F. Devon, *Issues of the Exchequer*, 498.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 66/46.

⁷ *ibid.* 65/1.

⁸ *Sussex Rec. Soc.* xiii (Feet of Fines).

⁹ *ibid.* xxxvii. pp. 167, 202. Ore is now in Hastings.

¹⁰ List of bailiffs in Hastings Town Hall.

¹¹ *Sussex Arch. Soc.* xiv. 81.

¹² *Hist. MSS. Comm.* iv. (Romney), 442.

¹³ *Ex inf.* Mayor of Romney and Miss Roper.

has thrown himself on the King's mercy, after confessing himself guilty of having cut away the purse of James Lowhes, containing 20 pence and a signet of silver¹—an unfortunate result of a visit to Parliament, no doubt. In 1441 James Lowes and others were paid by the Romney Corporation for riding to Canterbury to talk with the steward of the Archbishop about the office of bailiff of Romney.

A James Lowys occurs at Rye in 1474, but this must be a later generation.

LEWIS (LOWYS), JOHN (1395–1460); of Launceston and London. Lawyer. M.P. Launceston 1445–6.²

In 1406/24 one John Shirman sued John Lowys of Altarnun, for a messuage and lands in Tremayn and Altarnun, Cornwall.³ In 1450/3 Catherine, sometime wife of William Dorset, and Henry Appleton, her son, sued John Lewes or Lowys, Fellow of Lincoln's Inn, for menaces and detention of land in Camberwell.⁴ The Pardon Roll of 21 Oct. 1455 includes John Lewis of London, gent., *alias* late of Launceston (m.28), giving an identification as neat as unexpected.

LEWIS, JOHN (1420–75); of Thetford, esq. M.P. Yarmouth 1453–4.

In July 1453 John Lowys (he being then M.P.) and others were comnd. to arrest ships and bring them to Lynn and Yarmouth. In July 1457 Walter Burgh of Lynn esq. (*q.v.*) and John Lowys of London gent., went bail for Katherine Cervington. But he is called esquire in the Return when elected; and is probably the same as John Lewys of Thetford, Norfolk, who occurs on comns. 1449 to 1465.

LEWIS (*alias* FITZ LOWES), PHILIP (1430–92); of West Thurrock, Essex, esq. Lieut. of Cinque Ports 1476–92. M.P. Old Sarum 1472–5.

A cadet of the family of John or FitzLewis of West Horndon, Essex; perhaps yr. s. of Sir Lewis John, M.P. (1380–1442). *M. Jane* (? Culpeper).⁵

On 30 June 1456, as of London esq., he was a mainpernor for Eleanor, duchess of Somerset.⁶ Pardoned, 20 Jan. 1459, being then of West Thurrock and called by either *alias*;⁷ again pardoned 7 Nov. 1462;⁸ eschr., N'hants., 1451–2; pardoned, 15 July 1468;⁹ on comns. in London, Kent and Dover from 1476 to Sept. 1492; lieut. to the earl of Arundel, Lord Warden and Constable of Dover, by Nov. 1477,¹⁰ and still lieut. of Dover etc., 2 Aug. 1492;¹¹ with Sir John Scott he was apptd. to oversee the repairs to Dover castle, 9 July 1483; he served Henry VII likewise,¹² as lieut. of Dover overseeing the wafters of Winchelsea, 1491 and 1492; but sheriff, Norfolk and Suffolk, 1490–1.

D. shortly before 1 Sept. 1492, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Essex.¹³

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1439).

² R. & O. Peter, *History of Launceston*.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 5/182. ⁴ *ibid.* 19/406.

⁵ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiii. 149; a suit in which the Culpeper family was concerned.

⁶ Fine Roll, 34 Hen. VI (m.5).

⁷ Philip FitzLowes of Westhurrok, Essex, esq., *alias* Philip Lewis (m.42).

⁸ Philip FitzLowes, late of London, esq., *alias* Philip Lowes, *alias* late of West Horndon, Essex, *alias* late eschr. in N'hants. and Rutland, *alias* "indigent" (m.13).

⁹ Pardon Roll, 1468, Philip FitzLewes, esq. (m.30).

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1477), 127. ¹¹ *ibid.* (1492), 400.

¹² William Paston writes to Sir John Paston, May 1489, "Philip Lewis is redyn ageyn to the Kyng and shal brynge with hym money for all ther wages" (the army's). *Paston Letters*, iii. 361.

¹³ Fine Roll, 8 Hen. VII (m.1).

LEWKENOR, EDWARD (1455-98/9); of Kingston-Buci, Sussex.¹
M.P. Lewis 1491-2.

S. and h. of Nicholas Lewkenor by Elizabeth da. and coh. of Ralph Radmild, M.P. Sussex 1420; *m.* (1) Margaret, by whom he had Edward his heir; (2) Anne.²

Eschr., Surrey and Sussex, 1485-6; comnr. of array, Sussex, 1490; exor. of the will of Thomas Lewkenor senior, 1498.³ *D.* 14 Hen. VII.⁴

LEWKENOR, HUMPHREY (1450-1505); of Leigh, Kent. M.P. East Grinstead 1491-2.

Second s. of Walter Lewkenor of Trotton, Sussex, by Jane da. of Walter Culpeper of Bedgbury, Kent; *m.* (1) a da. of Arden, (2) Anne da. of — Hall of Ware, and left issue (W. D. Pink's MSS.).

LEWKENOR, (Sir) JOHN (1420-71); of West Grinstead esq. M.P. SUSSEX 1449-50; Horsham 1459; (? somewhere 1470-1). Lancastrian.

Yr. s. of Sir Thomas Lewknor M.P. (*d.* 1452), by Phillipe (Dalingridge), and bro. of Sir Roger (1420-78) M.P., of Thomas (1425-98) M.P., and of Richard (1428-1503) M.P.; *m.* Jane da. of "Sir" Richard Halsham of Brabourne, Kent.⁵ She survived her husband and died as his widow in 1495, without issue.

Elector, Sussex, 1449 (1) and 1453; sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1450-1; on Sussex comns. 1452 to 1470, including two under the Readeption government, which govt. put him also on to the bench for Sussex, 7 Nov. 1470. He and his father were feoffees of Brianston, Dorset, in 1451. He joined with his wife Jane in selling her manor of Brabourne to Sir John Scott (*q.v.*);⁶ and he was pardoned outlawry for debt in 1466 as "of West Grinstead esq."

John Lewknor probably sat in the Readeption Parlt., was proclaimed a rebel with Queen Margaret, 27 Apr. 1471, and was probably kntd. on the eve of Tewkesbury where he was slain, 4 May 1471.⁷

LEWKENOR, RICHARD (1428-1503); of Horsted-Keynes, Sussex, lawyer.

M.P. Bramber 1453-4; Horsham 1459; Shoreham 1467-8; East Grinstead 1472-5, 1478, (and ? 1483 (1), 1484). Lancastrian.

Yst. s. of Sir Thomas Lewknor M.P. (*d.* 1452), by Philippe (Dalingridge); and yr. bro. to Sir Roger, Sir John, and Thomas Lewknor (*qq.v.*); *m.* Elizabeth, *b.* 1436, da. and coh. of Thomas St. Clair by Margaret sis. and coh. of Sir Thomas Hoo, lord Hoo.⁸

He was Lancastrian when returned in 1453 and 1459; elected for Bramber 1453; a feoffee in Norfolk, 1455; eschr., Surrey and Sussex, 1450-1; pardoned, 28 Jan. 1459,⁹ and with other ex-officials, 10 Feb. 1462.¹⁰ Sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1469-70; took no part under the Readeption; pardoned, Dec. 1471.¹¹

¹ Kingston-Bucy, Bewsy, Bowsey, now (for publicity sake) By Sea!

² Messrs. Pink and Beaven. ³ 22 Horne, P.C.C.

⁴ There were six Edwards in succession. Edward II died 1528; Edward IV was the puritan M.P. *temp.* Eliz. (*Geneal. N.S.* xxi. 213; xxxi. 203; xxxiii. 61).

⁵ *Sussex Arch. Soc.* iii. ⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1465), 492. ⁷ Warkworth, *Chronicle*, p. 18.

⁸ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.* i. No. 205; *ibid.* ii. No. 645.

⁹ As "late of Horsted-Keynes, Sussex, esq., *alias* late eschr. in Sussex" (m.42).

¹⁰ As of Southwark, *alias* son of Thomas Lewknor knt., late escheator, *alias* of Horsted-Keynes (m.36).

¹¹ As late of East Grinstead, esq., *alias* late of Brambyltye, esq., *alias* late of Horsted-Keynes, *alias* late Sheriff of Surrey and Sussex."

In 1473 he bought land in East Grinstead from John Wody (*q.v.*),¹ and thenceforth he sat for East Grinstead. J.P. Sussex, of the quorum, 16 July 1474 (while M.P.) to 5 Dec. 1483, 3 June 1484 to 11 Feb. 1490, 18 May 1493 till death; on all the Sussex comns. 1483-4, and under Henry VII. In spite of his removal from the bench in Dec. 1483, he fought against the Duke of Buckingham's rebellion. With the earl of Surrey, "Richard Lewknor of Brambley" besieged the "rebels" in Odiham Castle, 8 Nov. 1483—or perhaps he said he did. Richard was executor of the will of his next brother Thomas in 1498, and his last comn. was the array of 1490 when he is called "of Bramley".

D. 13 Feb. 1503, when Elizabeth (13) and Agnes (8), das. of Henry s. of Elizabeth wife of Richard Lewknor, inherited Elizabeth's lands in Suffolk of which she had been seised before her marriage.

LEWKNOR (LEUKENORE), Sir ROGER (1420-78); of Trotton, Sussex; Lockerley, Hants; and South Mimms, Mdsx. M.P. SUSSEX 1439-40,² 1453-4. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir Thomas Lewkenor³ of South Mimms, *d.* 1452 (when Roger was aged 30 and more), by Phillipe da. and h. of Sir Richard Dalynridge. *M.*⁴ (1) Eleanor (*d.* 1445), da. and h. of Richard Camoys; (2) Isabel, da. of Sir Roger Echingham; and (3), as her third husband, Catherine (1427-1479) eld. da. and coh. of Sir John Chideok of Caundle, Devon (*d.* 1450), and widow of William Stafford of Stinsford, Dorset, M.P. (slain 1450) and of Sir John Arundel of Lanherne (*d.* 1473).

Sheriff of Surrey and Sussex, 1439-40, while M.P.; kntd., Xmas 1449; elector, Sussex, 1449 (2); a keeper of the temporalities of the archbishopric of Canterbury in June 1454 (Buckingham being chief keeper); pardoned 1455,⁵ and 1468,⁶ and 1471;⁷ J.P. Sussex, 21 Apr. 1455 till death; an apportioner of the subsidy in Sussex, 1463;⁸ Sheriff of Surrey and Sussex again 1467-8; on all the Sussex comns. 1454 to 1477, including the Lancastrian comns. of Dec. 1459 and Oct. 1470; exempted from all offices, Nov. 1476.

D. 4 Aug. 1478, when Thomas aged 30 (or 34, or 40), was his s. and h. Lands:—Hants, Mdsx., Hunts., N'hants., Oxon. Will, dat. 23 July, pr. 28 Nov. 1478. To be bur. in St. George's, Tratto, in a marble tomb "which I have ordained there beside the High Altar. Then I will that Thomas Bradbrigge have again a Masse Book that my wife hath of his, which I borrowed of him." "I will that the marble stone which I bought for my first wife be laid upon her at Arundel; that my second wife's bonys be laid in my tomb with me." Masses at St. Peter's, Cornhill, and at Gatton. His son Roger the younger to have a chain of gold. Exors.—Philip Fitzlowes (*q.v.*), Roger Lewknor the elder, and Thomas Bradbrigge.

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 59.

² Sir Roger Fiennes, his colleague in 1439, was a notable knight and may well have taken Roger with him to Parliament though under age.

³ In a suit *re* Tarring, Sussex, he describes himself as son and heir of Thomas, son and heir of Roger, son and heir of Roger de Lewknor, and Jane Keynes (*Geneal. N.S.* xix. 202).

⁴ *Visitn. Sussex*, 26; *Comp. Peer.* v. 461.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1455—of Tratto, Sussex, knt., *alias* sheriff of Sussex.

⁶ *ibid.* 1468, s. and h. of Thomas Lewknor.

⁷ *ibid.* 1471, cousin (*i.e.* grandson) and h. of Richard Dalyngrigge.

⁸ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

Supervisors—his son Thomas, and “Sir” William Fixsale. George Baynbrigge, his son-in-law, to have land at Midhurst. He mentions his sons, Richard, Roger senior, Roger junior, Edward, George, Thomas, Reynold and William.¹

LEWKNOR, THOMAS (1425-98); of Goring and East Grinstead, Sussex. Customer of Chichester. M.P. Bridgwater 1455-6; SUSSEX 1463-5; Lewes 1467-8; Reigate 1478; Shoreham 1491-2.²

Yr. s. of Sir Thomas Lewknor of Trotton M.P. (d. 1452), by Philippe (Dalingridge) and bro. of Sir Roger, Sir John and Richard (qq.v.); m. Elizabeth Goring, but apparently had no surviving issue.

On a Sussex comn. 1454; collr. of customs and subsidy on wool in Chichester c. 1455; pardoned, 12 Dec. 1462;³ eschr., Surrey and Sussex, 1467-8. In 1469 his lands were seized into the King's hands and accounted for 1469-70.⁴ But he was pardoned, 3 Feb. 1472;⁵ a feoffee for his bro. Richard in East Grinstead in 1473;⁶ J.P. Sussex, 20 June 1471 to 10 Nov. 1475; on Sussex comns. July 1471, 1472, 1473; on Hants comns. 1475, and on Richard III's Sussex comn. of array, 1 May 1484 (as “of Goring”) and again 1490.

D. 1498. Will of Thomas Lewkenor the elder esq., dat. 1 Jan., pr. 5 July 1498. To be bur. in the par. ch. of Goring. Residue to wife Elizabeth and she exix. with Richard Lewknor senior (his brother), Roger and Edward Lewkenor (his nephews).⁷

LEWKNOR, (Sir) THOMAS (1444-85); of Trotton, Sussex. M.P. SUSSEX, or a Sussex boro (? 1483 Jan.).

S. and h. of Sir Roger Lewknor M.P. (1420-78), of the same by Eleanor (Camoys); m. Katherine widow of John Bramshott and da. of Sir John Pelham;⁸ issue Sir Roger.⁹

Sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1473-4; J.P. Sussex, 23 Sept. 1479 to 26 June 1483; on Sussex subsidy comn., 27 Apr. 1483; kntd. 6 July 1483 at the coronation;¹⁰ a leader in the Duke of Buckingham's rising in Kent, Oct. 1483; attainted, Feb. 1484, as “late of Tratton knt.”;¹¹ his lands forfeited and he denounced as a rebel 24 May 1484; general pardon, 31 May 1485.

He seems to have died in 1485 before Bosworth.¹² Attainder reversed 1485.¹³

LEYCESTRE see LEICESTER.

¹ P.C.C., 1 Logge.

² Probably all these memberships are his, and none those of Thomas (1444-85) eldest s. of Sir Roger and kntd. July 1483. The only one about which there can be any doubt is Lewes 1467.

³ As “late of Horsted-Kaynes, esq., late a customer of Henry VI in Chichester, *alias* collector of customs on wool, troner and peseur in Chichester, *alias* late of London, *alias* son of Thomas Lewkenor knt.” (m.13).

⁴ *Enr. Accts.*, F. 12 Edward IV, B.

⁵ As “late customer, late eschr., *alias* of East Grinstead, gent., *alias* late of Horsted-Kaynes, *alias* senior, *alias* son of Thomas Lewkenor knt., deceased.” Senior to distinguish him from his nephew Thomas, Sir Roger's son, born 1444.

⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 59.

⁷ P.C.C., 22 Horne.

⁸ *Visitn. Sussex*, 27.

⁹ Sir Roger was pardoned, 1490, as s. and h. of Thomas Lewknor knt. late of Tratton, late sheriff, junior, *alias* Roger Lewknor tenant of Camoys manor in Gt. Stuckley, Hunts., etc. (m.30).

¹⁰ Shaw, *Knights*.

¹¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 245.

¹² *Sussex Arch. Colls.* iii. 92, etc.

¹³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 273.

LEYNTON (LENTON), JOHN (1420-74); lawyer; of the Exchequer 1456-74; Chamberlain thereof 1464-74; servant to Lord Cromwell. M.P. Lincoln city 1450-1, (? 1470-1).

Leynton was a co-feoffee with the Duke of York in 1449, and appears on the 1452 pardon roll as "gent." (m.24). He had a special admission to Lincoln's Inn in 1455, "admitted to repasts at his pleasure", paying a hogs-head of red Gascon wine. He was serving at the Exchequer in 1456¹ and in Oct. 1458 he was made controller of customs at Boston; and again pardoned, "Leynton *alias* Lynton", in Jan. 1459. In Dec. 1451 he was named with Sir John Fortescu, as executor of the will of Ralph, lord Cromwell of Tattershall, the Treasurer. In Mar. 1460 he was made receiver of forfeited Yorkist lands in Lincolnshire, and he was pardoned with other Lancastrians, 18 Feb. 1462, "of Tateshale, Lincs., esq., executor of the will of Ralph, lord Cromwell, *alias* gent., *alias* late of London, esq." (m.40). He remained an officer of the receipt of the Exchequer 1461-4; one of the Chamberlains of the Exchequer, 1464-8.²

He was throughout Lord Cromwell's man; for it was the new Lord Cromwell, Henry Bourchier, who granted him the office of Chamberlain of the Receipt of the Exchequer in July 1464. He was on the 1468 pardon roll (m.34) and on that of Jan. 1472, where again "late of London" may mean presence in the 1470-1 Parliament. The 1473 Parliament exempted him from the Act of Resumption jointly with Quatremains and Richard Fowler (*qq.v.*).³ D. 1474; will, dat. 15 May, pr. 4 Nov. 1474.³

LEYNTON (LEMTON), JOHN⁴ (1455-1505); of Cambridge; lawyer. M.P. Cambridge boro' 1489-90, 1491-2.

He was a feoffee for Caxston manor, Cambs., 1487; was pardoned for acquiring the said manor from John Burgoyne without licence, 1488; a feoffee of Rokesby in Bourn, Cambs., for John Elys, 1494;⁵ J.P. Cambridge boro', 1496 till death. In 1500 and 1501 he was one of the three lawyers to whom the Cambridge treasurers paid 20s. each.

¹ Issue Rolls *passim*.

² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 82.

³ To be bur. in church of the Friars Preachers of London if he dies near London. Bequests for masses for his soul and William Derby sometime Canon of St. Stephen's, Westminster; to St. Mary Stanyng, London, his mass book, chalice and vestment of blue; bequest to Blessed Trinity of Hounslow to be taken from the £46 8s. which the King owes him for money lent. His "Boke of Statutes" to John Sulyard (*q.v.*) for £4 if he will, otherwise to be sold as high as possible; his book of "Abyrggement of Statutes" to John Hawe; bequests to Thos. Deryngton, his w. and da. Elizabeth. A cup of gold, the Duke of York's debt of £100 and "a grete booke of Englysshe called Avigene", to be disposed of as the goods of the late Ralph, lord Cromwell—the Avicenna had been left by William Say as a pledge for a book he borrowed which contained information on the "holding of Parliament, establishment of the King's house and stewardship of England", I suppose, and as Say had not returned it the Avicenna had been kept as a forfeit "albeit it is much better in value thanne was the other boke"; bequests of money from arrears of £20 annuity left him by Ralph, lord Cromwell, to Sir Thos. Tyrrel and to college of Tattershale; his cross of gold, etc. to John More of Lincs., "joynour of Tailles in theschekker." Exors.: William Hole, citizen and skinner of London, John More and Thos. Deryngton (P.C.C., 19 Wattys).

⁴ A Thomas, s. of John s. of William Leynton, d. 1504, seised of Aldwinkle, N'hants., leaving John s. and h., aged 24 (*Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. 647; ii. 916).

⁵ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 1119.

LEYOT, WILLIAM (1405-63); of Manston, Dorset, *j.u.* M.P. Wareham 1437; Shaftesbury 1442.

Perhaps bro. of Richard Leyot, dean of Salisbury in 1447; *m.* Margaret, da. and h. of Thomas Manston of Manston,¹ she *rem.* in 1464 Robert Cove.

Comns., Dorset, 1440 and 1441; eschr., Som. and Dorset, 1444-5; pardoned outlawry in 1454 for not appearing to answer the Archbp. of Canterbury, Lord de la Warr, Lord Hungerford and o^rs. touching a debt of £148, possibly a debt on his eschr. accounts;² pardoned, Feb. 1459, as of Manston, Dorset, esq. (m.33); he and his wife were suing John Mohun for Manston and Wingrede, Dorset, as feoffees in 1460/5.³

He made a will, of which Richard Nowerys, Robert Cove and Margaret, his wife, were exors.;³ and *d.* 8 Mar. 1463, when Thomas was his s. and h., aged 32; lands—the manor and advowson of Manston, Dorset. He had Thomas, Cecily, Christopher, and Christine who married John Percy (*q.v.*) of Shaftesbury.⁴

LIGHTFOOT (LYTFOT), WILLIAM (1415-59); of Salisbury. M.P. Salisbury 1455-6.

An elector, Wilts., 1450, 1453; mayor of Salisbury 1451-2;⁵ witnessed charters at Salisbury, Dec. 1453 and July 1457.⁶

D. 1459. Will, pr. in P.C.C., 1459.⁷ To be bur. in St. Thomas Martyr, Salisbury. Mentions lands also in Essex and Suffolk.⁷

LIMBURY (LYMBERY), THOMAS (1425-92); of Launceston; lawyer.

M.P. Launceston 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1459, 1460-1.

Admtd. to Lincoln's Inn, 1451; on Cornish comns. 1454 to 1486, including the subsidy comns. of Apr. and Aug. 1483. There was a complaint of piracy against him in Cornwall in 1468. He was a pensioner of Lincoln's Inn in 1475, when his pension was in arrear; and in 1479 Limbury was then steward of the Priory of St. Stephen's at Launceston. J.P. Cornwall, of the quorum, 25 Feb. 1478 to 27 May 1483, 27 July 1483 to 30 Dec. 1483, 22 Nov. 1484 to 1485, and 20 Feb. 1486 till death. He must have been removed from the bench in Dec. 1483 on account of his supposed sympathies with the opponents of Richard III. It is curious that he was again removed on the accession of Henry VII. *D.* 1488/92 to judge from his comns. of the peace.

LIMRICK (LYMRYK), THOMAS (1435-86); of Cirencester⁸ and of Stowell, Worcs.; lawyer. M.P. GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1472-5, (? 1470-1), (? 1485-6).

Perhaps s. and h. of John Limrick.

Elector, Glos., 1455, 1467, 1472 (when elected), 1478; on Glos. comns. including many of gaol delivery and of *oyer* from 1464 to Dec. 1485; J.P. Glos., of the quorum, 15 Dec. 1464 till death, including the Readeption and Richard III; mainpernor for Sir Walter Hungerford, 1464; frequently a feoffee and probably the attorney for Clarence,⁹ though ordered to seize the lands of Clarence, Warwick, etc., in Glos. in Apr. 1470.¹⁰ We think he was M.P. during the Readeption because

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/58.

² Described as late of Sutton Mandevill, Wilts., *alias* of London, gent.

³ De Banco Rolls, 813 (m.266), 4 Edw. IV.

⁴ *Per E. A. Fry.*

⁵ Benson and Hatcher, *Old and New Sarum*, 696.

⁶ *Tropenell Cartulary*, i. 240, 249, etc.

⁷ P.C.C., 17 Stokton. ⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1464), 327. ⁹ *ibid.* (1475), 513. ¹⁰ *ibid.* (1470), 218.

he was pardoned, 15 Feb. 1471, as "late of London, gent."¹ Richard Cely describes him as "the greatest ruler and the richest man in that country," 1482.² He was steward of lord Latimer's lands 1480 till death.³ Pardoned by Henry VII, 3 Jan. 1486,⁴ being again described as "late of London, *alias* one of our inquest."

D. 1486; will, dat. 20 Feb., pr. 2 May 1486, of Stowell, Worcs., gent. To be bur. at discretion of exors. Bequests to s. Thomas and da. Elizabeth. Exors.:—wife Jane, William Grevyll, Richard Vowell, William Taylard (*qq.v.*). Thos. Brugge of Coberley, Glos., esq., supervisor.⁵

LINACRE, WILLIAM (1427–88); of Reading. M.P. Reading 1459, 1463–5, 1470–1, 1472–5.

Probably s. of Edward Linacre of same, mayor in 1451–2.

Entered the Guild Merchant of Reading, 31 Jan. 1449, paying 4s. for the lord and 20s. only for breakfast (*jantaculum*) because he was the son of a burgess.⁶ One of the two treasurers 1451–2;⁷ occurs in the *Reading Diaries* 1450–87; mayor of Reading 1463–4, 1468–9, 1472–3, 1477–8, 1480–1;⁸ elector in Reading 1472 (electing himself) and 1478; elector, Berks., 1472 while mayor. He sued the mayor and bailiffs of Oxford, 1467/72, concerning an action of debt brought against Linacre on an agreement to buy certain land in Oxford.⁹ He was joined with the Norrises as feoffee for Thomas Clerk's land in Reading.¹⁰

LINDE (LYNE), JOHN (1400–55); of Canterbury, brewer. M.P. Canterbury 1437, 1439–40.

Perhaps s. of Henry Linde M.P. Canterbury 1414–27.

Elector, Kent, 1432. Sworn to the peace, as of Canterbury, 1434; was sued 1442/3;¹¹ pardoned 1446;¹² elected to be the first mayor of Canterbury, 1448;¹³ on the Kent comm. Dec. 1450.

LISLE (LYELL), Sir HUMPHREY (1455–1516); of Felton and S. Gosforth.

M.P. NORTHUMBERLAND 1491–2.

S. and h. of Robert Lisle of Woodlum and Felton; *m.* Margaret da. of Sir William Bowes of Streatlam, and had issue Sir William Lisle of Felton M.P.

He is called knt. on the List of M.P.s in 1491, though Shaw says he was kntd. by Lord Strange in Scotland, 30 Sept. 1497;¹⁴ apptd. by Parlt. to appoint collrs. of subsidy in Nhd., 1504;¹⁵ excepted from pardon with Empson and Dudley, 30 Apr. 1509; liberated on bail for appearance before King's Bench for misdemeanours in the late reign;¹⁶ outlawed at the King's suit for debts to the exors. of the late King, 1512; taken prisoner at Flodden by the Scots, 1513!¹⁷ J.P.

¹ Pardon Roll, 1470/1, "late of London, gent., *alias* of Cirencester, gent."

² Recommending Limrick's da. as a match for his friend—"there have been great gentlemen to see her and would have her" (*Cely Papers*, 102).

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1480), 233, 241; (1486), 125.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1485/6, as late of Stowell, Glos., gent., *alias* one of our inquest, *alias* late of London, gent. (m.8).

⁷ *ibid.* i. 37.

⁵ P.C.C., 23 Logge.

⁶ Guilding, *Reading Diaries*, i. 31.

⁸ The mayors were always elected about 29 Sept.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 44/180.

¹⁰ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 385.

¹¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 73/86.

¹² Pardon Roll, 1446, "of Canterbury, brewer" (m.8).

¹³ *Hist. MSS. Com.* ix. App. 1. Canterbury MSS.

¹⁴ Shaw, *Knights*.

¹⁵ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 539.

¹⁶ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 11 (10) and 289 (35). Yet there is no mention of him at all in *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1485–1509).

¹⁷ *ibid.* 2246 (1, 4).

Nhd., 14 Mar. 1515 till death, and his yr. s. Humphrey was a gent. usher of the Household.¹

D. 30 July 1516, when William Lisle knt., aged 30, was his s. and h. ; lands—Felton, Bywell, etc., Nhd.²

LISLE, (Sir) JOHN (1406–71); of Thruxton, Hants, and Wootton, Isle of Wight.³ Soldier. M.P. HAMPSHIRE 1433, 1449 (1). Lancastrian.

S. and h. of John Lisle M.P. (1386–1429) of Wootton, by Margaret, da. of John Bramshott of Bramshott, Hants;⁴ *m.* (1) Anne, da. and h. of John Botreaux of Brixton, Devon, bro. of William, lord Botreaux; and (2) Isabel, widow of Richard Horne of Kent, who survived him.⁵

Elect. Hampshire, 1427, 1435, 1437 (kt.). He sued for trespass, Jan. 1436, as of Wootton; kntd. 1436; sheriff, Wilts., 1438–9; sheriff, Hants, 1439–40; J.P. Hants, 11 July 1441 till death; on at least forty comns. in Hants, 1440–70, including the Lancastrian comns. till June 1460. Lisle served with the duke of Somerset in France, May 1443;⁶ acquired the custody of John Philpot, a minor owning property in London, 1448;⁷ and *m.* him to his da. Elizabeth. Pardoned with the other Lancastrians in Feb. 1462; on Yorkist comns. for Hants and on those of the Readeption.

D. 21 Jan. 1471, when Nicholas, aged 26, was his s. and h. by his first wife; lands—Wilts., Isle of Wight, Dorset and Devon. Will, dat. 21 Oct. 1468, pr. 6 Nov. 1471. To be bur. at “Throkleston”. Bequests to das. Elizabeth Philpot, Margaret Roger, Anne a nun at Amesbury; also to Laureleto, his cousin, and William Harris his servant. Also to Nicholas his son, Edmund his bro., and Jane his da., and William his son. Exors.:—his wife Isabel, John Philpot, Richard Hervy, William Pointer, clerk, Robert Edyngton.⁸

Kingsford will have it that he was slain at Barnet in Apr. 1471. It is clear from the Inquisition post mortem that this old man of 64 died three months before the battle.⁹

LISLEY (LISLE), HENRY (1440–1504); of Moxhull and Wishaw, Warw. M.P. Stafford boro’ 1487.¹⁰

S. and h. of William Lisle of Moxhull (living 1456) by Julia da. of Robert Middlemore of Edgbaston; *m.* by 1472 Elizabeth da. of William Morgan, and had issue John Lisle of Moxhull.¹¹

Eschr., Warw. and Leics., 1474–5;¹² sheriff, 1486–7, with a reward of £160; and 1503 till death.

D. Sept./Nov. 1504; will pr. in P.C.C. 1504. To be buried at “Wysshawe”, Warw.¹³

LISTER (LITTESTER), GILBERT (1410–70); of Northampton, draper. M.P. Northampton boro’ 1447.

¹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII.* II. i. p. 873.

² *Inq. p.m.*, 8 Hen. VIII, Vol. 31, No. 36.

³ He may be held to be Lord Lisle *de jure* (*Comp. Peer.* viii. 45), but the “law” is modern peerage law.

⁴ *Geneal. N.S.* iii. 21.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 104.

⁶ P.C.C., 3 Wātys.

⁷ Kingsford, *Chronicle*, 277.

⁸ Elected while sheriff of Warw. and Leics.

⁹ *Visitn. Warw.*; Dugdale, *Warw.*, p. 938.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1477), 43.

¹¹ P.C.C., 19 Holgrave.

Bailiff 1435-6; mayor of Northampton 1448-9, 1457-8; elector, while mayor, 1449 (1). In 1450 he was manucaptor for William Mey the burgess for Parlt.

LITHGO, OLIVER (1470-1509); of Dover. M.P. Dover 1504.

Lythco, Lithgow, Lithego seem to be abbreviations for Linlithgow,¹ so that Oliver may be the first Scot M.P. on this side Tweed.

Apptd. collr. of tonnage and poundage at Sandwich, 24 Sept. 1502; and customer of wools and pells there, 8 Dec. 1502;² mayor of Dover 1504-5.³

D. c. 1509; will, dat. 12 Mar. 1509, pr. at Canterbury, no date. To be bur. in St. Mary's, Dover. Plate to da. Elizabeth; a gown to bros. William and Thomas Lithego; sword and best bonnett to John Waren; lands in Dover to wife Elizabeth. Residue to wife and she exix. with his bro. William. Overseer:—Robert Blagge.⁴

LITTLE (LYTELL), JOHN; (probably of Wootton Bassett). M.P. Wootton Bassett 1447.

John Lytel was tenant of Neston in 1453, which is near enough to Wootton Bassett.⁵

LITTLETON (LYTYLTON), RICHARD (1455-1516); of Pillatonhall, Staffs. Lawyer. M.P. Ludlow 1491-2.

Born at Frankley, Worcs.; second s. of Thomas Littleton the judge (1415-81) by Jane (*b.* 1426) widow of Sir Philip Chetwynd and da. and coh. of William Burley of Bromcroft, the Speaker; *m.* Alice (*d.* 1529) da. and h. of William Wynnesbury of Pillatonhall, and had a s. and six das.

He inherited from his mother wide estates in Salop and his connection with Ludlow. Under his father's will he had Baxterley, Warw., and some estates in tail.⁶ J.P. Salop, of the quorum, 17 Nov. 1485 to 1504, and 17 Nov. 1511 till death; J.P. Staffs., 22 Nov. 1499 till death; J.P. Worcs., 1500-04; on gaol delivery, Worcester, 1487, 1494, 1501; on Salop comns. from the subsidy comn. of Jan. 1488 onwards to a gaol delivery at Stafford, 1516.

D. 18 May 1516, when Edward, aged 30, was his s. and h.; lands—Warw.⁷ Ancestor of Lord Hatherton.

LITTESTER see LISTER.

LLOYD (FLOYD, FLUD), DAVID (1420-61). M.P. Guildford 1459, 1460-1. Lancastrian.

David Lloyd ap Sir Griffith of Treldan in Powys was pardoned the King's suit against him, 21 Dec. 1448. Keeper of Guildford gaol in June 1459.⁸ Among those beheaded after Mortimer's Cross with Sir Owen Tudor (2 Feb. 1461) was said to be David Floid;⁹ but a David Floyd, yeoman of the Crown, had a grant of the lordship and manor of Fownhope, Heref., in 1478, which may well be the same man.

LLOYD (LUYT, LUTE), THOMAS (1420-87); of Shrewsbury and of London. Clerk of the King's Bench; lawyer. M.P. Shrewsbury 1449-50, 1450-1, 1453-4; MIDDLESEX 1463-5.

¹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. index.

² Fine Roll, 18 Hen. VII (m. 11 and 12).

³ Statham, *Hist. of Dover*, 166.

⁴ Cant. Prob. Reg. C. x. ff. 42-42d.

⁵ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

⁶ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Thomas Lytelton.

⁷ *Inq. p.m.* Hen. VIII, Vol. 34, No. 119.

⁸ Anc. Indicts. of K.B.

⁹ Stow, *Chronicle*, 413; *Sussex Arch. Colls.* vii, 660.

Probably s. of John Luyt who was admitted burgess of Shrewsbury in 1411—perhaps a Lloyd of Llwynymean by Oswestry; *m.* Jane da. and h. of Robert Whitcombe of Shrewsbury, mercht., M.P.; she survived him. His s. Robert predeceased him, having *m.* Mary da. of John Boteler,¹ leaving a son Thomas, heir to his grandfather in 1487.

A feoffee of London property in 1446; but bailiff of Shrewsbury in 1450 and 1468, and an elector for Salop 1453, when elected for Shrewsbury. A writ was issued in 1454 to arrest the bailiff of Shrewsbury who had not paid Thomas Luyt the £8 10s. due to him, probably his Parlt. wages.² Elector, Mdsx., 1460 and 1467; a feoffee in Harringay in 1467. Described as clerk of the King's Bench, he was sued in London in connection with lands he was farming in Bucks. in 1460/5;³ on 6 Nov. 1470 he was deputy sheriff of Heref.;⁴ pardoned 18 Dec. 1471, as "Thomas Luyt, *alias* Lute, of London, gent., *alias* late bailiff of Shrewsbury." He was comnr. of sewers on Thames continuously from 1469 till 1478. In 1467/72 this clerk of the K.B. was sued for having empanelled a partial jury.⁵ In 1473/5 he and Thomas Winslowe (*q.v.*) were sued for a messuage in Fulham.⁶ In 1474 and again in 1479 he was joined with the Lord Chancellor, the King's Chamberlain, the King's Secretary and Sir John Parr in a grant of the next vacant canonry at St. Peter's, Westminster.

Richard III put him on all his comns. in Mdsx.; and under Henry VII he was made a Justice of Oyer, 1487. J.P. Mdsx., of the quorum, 12 Apr. 1485, and 26 Sept. 1486 till death. With his son and heir apparent Robert he was a feoffee at Peterboro' in 1484; with Thomas Pontesbury of Salop (*q.v.*) he was a feoffee at Writtle, Essex, in 1485.⁷ D. 1487. Will, Thomas Luyt elder, dat. and pr. 1487.⁸

LLOYD see GITTONS.

LOCK (LOK) (*alias* ANGLICANUS),⁹ JOHN (1420–63); from Bucks.; ald. of London, mercer.¹⁰ Victualler of the Household. M.P. London 1461–2.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 60/142.

² De Banco Rolls, 33 Hen. VI, No. 778.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/326, 26/327, 27/367.

⁴ *Year Books*, 49 Hen. VI (Selden Soc.), 121.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 45/329.

⁶ *ibid.* 48/341.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. pp. 353, 369.

⁸ To be bur. at St. Barts., Smithfield, London. Bequests to cousin (*i.e.* granddaughter) Alianore Luyt for her marriage, if she be married by advice of Jane my wife. Bequests to sisters Margaret Slade and Agnes Cowper, and to Thomas Luyt "son of Robert my son." To Jane "my wife whiche I thinke wol contynue sool widow after my Decesse" all plate etc. and lands in London, Mdsx. and Salop, and to provide for "another scoler virtuously disposed, entending to be priest and to exercise his lernyng according, and to continue the same at the University of Cambridge." Exors. :—w. Jane, "and my trusty lovers" Sir William Hody, Chief Baron, Thomas Grafton (*q.v.*), mercht. of staple of Calais. Overseers, "my wellbeloved frendes" Edw. Goldsborough, one of the Barons of the Exchr., William Danvers, serjt.-at-law, Henry Harman, Thomas Holberth, and Edw. Cheeseman, gents. (P.C.C., 6 Milles, 7 Milles).

⁹ Pardon Roll, 18 Feb. 1462, John Lok, cit. and mercer of London, *alias* John Lok Anglicanus, *alias* Anglicanus, merchant, *alias* late victualler of the Household of Henry VI, *alias* late sheriff (m.40).

¹⁰ Described in his election return to Parlt. as mercer; on his election as sheriff, later the same year, as vintner.

He was bro.-in-law to William Joseph and John Lowthe ; *m.* Elizabeth da. and coh. of Eustace Valdrian of Abbotsley, Hunts.¹

A mercer of London and feoffee of Mickleham, Surrey, in 1449 ; auditor of London 1455-7 ; superintended the victualling of the fleet and a comnr. 1457 ; pardoned 6 Mar. 1459 ; pricked for sheriff 1461-2 after return to Parlt. ; ald. from 18 Mar. 1463. His pardon in 1462, issued while he was sheriff of London and M.P., gives his *alias* Anglicanus and calls him late Victualler of the Household for Henry VI.²

D. c. July 1463. Will, dat. 19 July 1459, pr. 19 July 1463. To be bur. in church of B.V.M. *de Arcubus*, London, if he die within sixty leagues. Bequests to Denham church, Bucks.—to Swaffham monastery, Cambs.—to lepers. Movable goods in London to wife Elizabeth. Mentions sons Stephen, William and John, das. Rose, Anne and Elizabeth. Exors. :—w. Elizabeth, s. Stephen, Thomas Bryan, John Alburgh, Henry Newman, Geoffrey Boleyn and John Rathby.³ His wife Elizabeth was surviving 1478.⁴ The surname Lock is of doubtful origin ; Anglicanus may explain that he was not German or Scotch.

LOCKTON (LOKTON), THOMAS (1410-74/5) ; of Sawston ; of the Exchequer 1452-3. ? Lawyer. M.P. CAMBRIDGESHIRE 1455-6. Yorkist.

A feoffee of Sawston and Dernford, Cambs., 1434 ; was owed 40s., in Essex, 1442 ; elector, Cambs., 1435, 1437, 1447, 1467 ; escheator, Cambs., 1453-4 ; on Cambs. comns. 1454 to May 1471 and Aug. 1473, including two comns. of *oyer et terminer*. It is probably this Thomas Lockton who was clerk of the issues in the Exchequer, Mich. 1452-3.⁵ J.P. Cambs., 6 Mar. 1455 to 10 Nov. 1458, 26 Aug. 1460 to 14 Dec. 1470, and 10 Dec. 1473 to 10 Nov. 1475. As of Sawston he was made a feoffee in Cambs. and Essex in 1457 ;⁶ pardoned, with his co-exor., Laurence Cheyne (*q.v.*), as exors. of will of Edmund Inglethorpe knt. (*q.v.*), 25 Jan. 1459 ; joined with the Yorkist Treasurer Tiptoft, earl of Worcester, in collecting a debt, Oct. 1459. He was a feoffee of Drayton by Bosworth, Leics., for Thomas Staunton (*q.v.*) 1468 ;⁷ for John Ansty (*q.v.*) 1469 ;⁸ and in Oct. 1478 a further £10 was still owed to that sinister combination of Lockton with John Tiptoft, earl of Worcester (beheaded 1470).

D., to judge by his comns. of the peace, 1474/5 ; certainly dead by 20 July 1480 when he is described as a deceased feoffee.⁹ Walter Lokton was eschr. 1469-71, perhaps his son.

LODBROKE, SIMON¹⁰ (1415-75) ; of Reading, weaver. M.P. Reading 1449 (1).

He was elected to collect the Parliamentary expenses of the Burgesses from Reading, May 1446 ;¹¹ collector of the 15th voted in the preceding Parliaments, 1446 and 1448 ; described as a weaver in Jan. 1461, and as merchant in Feb. 1461, when he was pardoned outlawry for not appearing in a suit, he having surrendered to the Fleet. What happened to him then, or soon after, is as follows :—

In Oct. 1461 he was summoned before the mayor of London for fraud on Jane,

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/211.

² See note 9 on p. 548.

³ P.C.C., 1 Godyn.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1478), 85.

⁵ Issue Roll, Mich. 31 Hen. VI, No. 791.

⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 453.

⁷ *ibid.* v. p. 518.

⁸ *ibid.* v. p. 148.

⁹ *ibid.* vi. p. 369.

¹⁰ "Brother" William Lodbroke was Master of St. John's Hospital, Oxford, in 1434.

¹¹ Guilding, *Reading Diaries*, i. 25.

widow of John Martin, to induce her to marry Robert Snell, she being actually now married to Thomas Pynde, taverner. Lodbroke confessed, and was to stand half-an-hour in the pillory, Pynde being warned to take no action. Yet Pynde took away the ladder and caused rotten eggs to be thrown at him, and for want of a ladder Lodbroke had to stand there an hour. So Pynde was summoned and committed, and he submitted and was fined £10.¹

In 1467/72 Simon Lodbroke sued the sheriffs of London on a debt action brought by the exors. of John White of the Isle of Wight against Lodbroke as surety for Edmund Warner.²

LOK.... see LOCK....

LOMLEY see LUMLEY.

LONG, HENRY (1420³–90); of Wraxall, Wilts.; lawyer. M.P. Old Sarum 1435; Devizes 1442; WILTSHIRE 1449 (1), 1453–4, 1472–5. Lancastrian.

Second s. of Robert Long of same,³ M.P. (1390–1446); *m.* (1) Jane da. of John Ernleigh; (2) Margaret da. of John Newburgh of Lulworth, Dorset; and (3) Jane da. of Richard Malwyn; but he *d.* without issue.

He was a feoffee of East Chalfield, Wilts., as early as 1437 with Richard Chok and Thomas Tropenell (*q.v.*);⁴ for Robert Buxton at East Codford, 1447; elsewhere in Wilts., 1450; on comns. frequently of gaol delivery and *oyer et terminer*, from 1450 till death, including the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459; J.P. Wilts., of the quorum, continuously from 15 Mar. 1453 till death; a feoffee in Hants, 1454; sheriff, Wilts., 1456–7; a witness at Bath, 1457; a feoffee at Remsbury in 1458—all of which point to his having been lawyer as well as landlord. He was also mayor of Salisbury; pardoned, Oct. 1462;⁵ again sheriff, Wilts., 1474–5; feoffee for Lady Hungerford in 1476; sheriff again 1482–3; a comnr. of subsidy, Aug. 1483, of array in May and Dec. 1484, and of subsidy again in Jan. 1488; pardoned by Richard III, 17 May 1485, as of “Wroxhale”, Wilts., esq., a comnr. of Edward IV and J.P. in Wilts. (m.9).

D. 3 May 1490, and Thomas, aged 40, s. of his bro. John (*q.v.*), was his nephew and h.; lands—Combe, Glos.; Wraxhall, Wilts.; and, with Jane his w. da. of Richard Malwyn, Etchilhampton. Will of Henry Long esq. of Wraxall, dat. 1 May, pr. 6 May 1490. To be bur. at Wroxhall. Masses for himself and for Robert his father, and Margaret his mother, and for Jane and Margaret late his wives, and for Reynold and John his bros. Bequests to his w. Jane. Exors.:—his w. Jane and Richard Key.

LONG, JOHN (1420–78); of Draycot-Cerne, Wilts. M.P. Cricklade 1442.

S. and h. of Robert Long, M.P. (1390–1446) of Wraxall, Wilts., by Margaret, da. and h. of Reynold Popham of North Bradley, Wilts.;⁶ and bro. of Henry Long (1420–90) and of Richard Long (*b.* 1423), both Members in this Parliament,

¹ *Letter Book L.* pp. 10, 11.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 46/145.

³ *Tropenell Cart.* i. 115. His elder brother's age is given as 25 at the time of Robert Long's death, 31 Mar. 1446; but Henry is more likely to have been a twin than M.P. at 14.

⁴ *ibid.* i. 285.

⁵ As of Wroxhale esq., *alias* of Salisbury, gent., *alias* late sheriff and mayor of the citizens of Salisbury (m.29).

⁶ *Geneal N.S.* xii. 163; *Visitn. Wilts.* (1565).

in which sat also his father ; *m.* Margaret sis. and coh. of Thomas Wayte of Barton Stacey, Hants.

His age is given as 25 at his father's death, 31 Mar. 1446 ; an elector of Wilts. 1449 (1) ; pardoned May 1452 when called of Draycot, Wilts., esq., *alias* gent. ; paid rent for a house in Broun street, Salisbury, 1455 ;¹ was trespassed against in Hampshire, 1457. Orders were issued for his arrest, no doubt as a Lancastrian, in Mar. 1461. Whether it was he who, in spite of this arrest, was apptd. in Mar. 1468 as gauger in Sandwich during pleasure one cannot say.

D. 20 Sept. 1478, when Thomas, aged 30, was his s. and h. It is this Thomas who succeeded his uncle, Henry Long, at Wraxall in 1490.

LONG, JOHN (1440-1500) ; of Devizes. M.P. Calne 1491-2.

John Long " of Madington " was a juror at Malmesbury in 1463, in Salisbury in 1467.² Probably a cadet of the Wraxall Longs or perhaps s. of Richard Long of Purse Caundle, Dorset.³

J.P. Wilts., 23 Mar. to 28 Nov. 1480. In 1475/85 John Long of Devizes was sued by John Baker of Bristol.⁴

LONG (LONGE), RICHARD (*b.* 1423) ; cadet of Wraxall. M.P. Old Sarum 1442.

Third s. of Robert Long of Wraxall M.P. (1390-1446), the bailiff of the Bishop of Salisbury.

With his father and two brothers, Henry and John, he sat under age in the 1442 Parlt. In 1439, when Draycot-Cerne was settled by Robert Long on three of his four sons in remainder, they were given as John (aged 25 in 1446), Richard and Reginald (Henry not mentioned) ; therefore this third son, Richard, must have been born about 1423. He cannot be the Richard Long on whom Purse-Caundle, Dorset, was settled by fine in 7 Henry VI (1428/9). The Dorset Long, whoever he was, is not so likely to have been the M.P. for Old Sarum in 1442 as a minor son of the bishop's bailiff.

LONG, ROBERT (1390-1446) ; of Wraxall, esq. ; bailiff of the Bishop of Salisbury ; lawyer. M.P. Old Sarum 1414 (1) ; WILTSHIRE 1421 (1), 1421 (2), 1423-4, 1429-30, 1433 ; Salisbury 1442.

Probably from Southampton ; *m.* (1) Margaret, da. of Reynold Popham of North Bradley, Wilts., by whom he had John, Henry, Richard and Reynold, the first three of whom sat with him in the 1442 Parliament, although two of them were still minors ; (2) Margaret, da. of Philip Popham, and widow first of John Cowdray, and secondly of William Wayte. William Wayte's da. by her married her step-son John Long.

J.P. Wilts., of the quorum, 12 Feb. 1422 till death ; eschr., Hants and Wilts., 1428-9 ; on Wilts. comns. 1422 to 1443, including subsidy in 1431 and 1441, and several comns. of array ; he complained that Walter and William Beauchamp of Bromham, Wilts., had assaulted him at Bromham, 1426 ; swore the Wiltshire gentry to the peace, May 1434, having been an M.P. in the previous Parlt. On 5 May 1430 he and his wife Margaret (2), held the manors of Berton-Sacy, Hants, and

¹ *Wilts. Arch. Mag.* xxxvii. 85.

³ *Ex inf.* E. A. Fry.

² *Anc. Indicts.*, Index at Her. Coll.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 66/58.

Hartridge, Berks., but all his connection is with Wilts. ; repeatedly a feoffee in Wilts. from 1423 onwards, and in 1431 as far afield as Essex ; and he was bailiff for the bishop of Salisbury at least as early as 1433. In Oct. 1439 Draycot-Cerne was settled, with remainders to Robert Long's three sons—John, Richard and Reynold—all then under age. The manor passed ultimately to this John's son Thomas.

D. 31 Mar. 1446, John aged 25 was his s. and h. That he lived at Wraxall is proved by the Pardon Roll of 1 July 1446, wherein, though dead, he is described as " of Wraxhale, next Bradford."

Mr. Storey Maskelyne thinks that this first Robert Long of Wraxall may have derived from Southampton, and moved to Salisbury ; that he was " in with " Lord Hungerford and invested in land. He is of special interest because he sat apparently indifferently for county and borough, and because he illustrates the power of a bailiff of the Bishop of Salisbury in placing three of his sons in Parlt. with him in 1442. Seats in Parlt. must have been popular when they were snapped up by sons in their nonage.

LONG, (Sir) THOMAS (1449-1508) ; of Wraxall, Wilts. M.P. Westbury 1491-2.

S. and h. of John Long of Draycot M.P. (1420-78) by Margaret (Wayte) ; m. Margery da. of Sir George Darell of Littlecott, Wilts.¹

He succeeded his uncle Henry Long at Wraxall, 3 May 1490, being then aged 40 ; J.P. Wilts., 22 Dec. 1496 till sheriff 1500-1, and again J.P., 26 June 1502 till death ; at the reception of Katherine of Aragon at Shaftesbury, Oct. 1501 ;² knt. at the marriage of Prince Arthur, 17 Nov. 1501 ; exor. of the will of Robert, lord Willoughby of Broke, 1502 ; subsidy comnr., Wilts., apptd. by Parlt., 1504 ;³ sheriff again 1506-7 ; exor. to Richard Beauchamp, lord St. Amand, 1508.⁴

D. shortly before 8 Oct. 1508, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschrs. of Wilts., Som., Glos., Dorset and Berks.⁵ Will, dat. 8 Sept., pr. 21 Oct. 1508.⁶ To be bur. at Draycot. To s. and h. Henry, a flock of sheep etc. ; bequests to sons William, Richard, Robert (who is to have £10 a year to study temporal law in the Inns of Court of London) and Thomas. Margery his wife sole exor. Overseers, his bro. Edward Darell and Richard Sacheverell.⁶

LONG, THOMAS. M.P. Warwick boro' 1447.

At Easter 1452 an indenture was entered into between Thomas Long and the abbot of Oseney, whereby the abbey demised to Long their manor of Bourton near Bampton.⁷ It will be this Thomas Long who was sworn to the peace in Oxon. in 1434 ; but whether he was the Member for Warwick is doubtful. There was a Thomas Long of Worcester, gent., who was pardoned in the Roll of 1460. In any case we do not think that the Member for Warwick can be the man who was bailiff of Rye, gauger of Chichester, and taken prisoner in France in 1449.

LONG, WILLIAM (1458-1505) ; of Lincoln, mercer. M.P. Lincoln city 1495.

¹ *Ex inf.* W. D. Pink. Darell was clerk of the Gt. Wardrobe 1461-3.

² Gairdner, *L. & P. Hen. VII*, i. 407.

³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 535.

⁴ P.C.C., 2 Bennett.

⁵ Fine Roll, 24 Hen. VII (m.1).

⁶ P.C.C., 6 Bennett.

⁷ *Cal. Bodleian*, Turner and Coxe, 321.

He was mayor of Lincoln, 29 Aug. 1488, when commissioned to deliver the gaol. In Nov. 1498, giving his age as 40, William Long deposes as to the birth in 1476 of Thomas Munson at South Kelsey, Lincs.¹ Dead by 1509/10, when Richard Long of London and Lincoln, mercer, was pardoned as g.s. and h. of William Long late of Lincoln, mercer.²

LONGFORD (LANGFORD), EDWARD (1417³-74); of Bradfield, Berks. Customer of Southampton. M.P. BERKSHIRE 1449-50, 1450-1, 1459. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Robert Langford of the same.⁴

Edward Langford sold Yattendon to John Norris (*q.v.*) in 1442;⁵ a feoffee in Berks. 1446, and in Rutland 1448; sheriff, Berks. and Oxon., 1446-7, 11 Apr. to 9 Nov. 1471; sheriff of Devon, 1456-7; J.P. Oxon., 22 Mar. 1452 to 21 Mar. 1455; and J.P. Berks., 22 Mar. 1452 to 20 Nov. 1458, and 12 June 1471 till death; elector, Berks., 1467 (first on list); on all the Berkshire comms. till June 1460, and thereafter once for Hants and in 1473 for Berks. As King's esquire he was pardoned, Apr. 1453. Then so clearly Lancastrian that he was sumnd. to the Great Council for Berks., Apr. 1455; and pardoned 13 Oct. 1455;⁶ again 21 Mar. 1458. After the Coventry Parlt. Langford was apptd. steward of Salisbury's lands in Devon and Cornwall; and "for good service in our last journey" (*i.e.* to Ludford) he was made eschr. of Denbigh. All this vanished in 1461, but he was pardoned with the other Lancastrian officials, 15 Feb. 1462, as of Bradfeld and Purley, *alias* late sheriff, *alias* of Reading. His s., however, was employed by the Crown, for in Aug. 1463 he was carrying Letters of Privy Seal to the gents. of Berks.,⁷ and he himself was in this year apptd. to apportion the subsidy in Berks.⁸ Again pardoned, 5 Nov. 1468, with the new description "appraiser of subsidies in Southampton and Winchester" (m.21). He may have been made customer of Southampton at the same time, for the Readeption government pardoned him as "customer" and as "appraiser" and as "scrutator". After the Yorkist return it was his s. Thomas who was pardoned; and in 1472 there is a letter from Langford to Thomas Stonor which is signed "your old Fellowe."⁹ Jane Stonor calls him cousin.

D. 18 Aug. 1474, when Thomas,¹⁰ aged 30, was his s. and h.; lands—Bucks., Hants, and Herts.

LONGFORD (LANGFORD), Sir NICHOLAS (1450-81); of Longford. M.P. DERBYSHIRE 1472-5.

S. and h. of Sir Nicholas Longford of same, and of Hough, Lancs.,¹¹ living 1464;¹² m. 1472, Margaret Melton,¹³ dead in 1509,¹⁴ but left no issue.

¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. p. 134.

² *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 438 (4 m.25).

³ Proof of age 16 Hen. VI, No. 66.

⁴ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiv. 50; but see *V.C.H. Berks.* iv. 5.

⁵ *V.C.H. Berks.* iv. 125.

⁶ As "of Bradfield, Berks, esq., *alias* of Great Purley, Berks" (m.24).

⁷ *Stonor Letters*, i. 62.

⁸ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

⁹ *Stonor Letters*, i. 122.

¹⁰ In 1491 Thomas Langford, called s. and h. of Edward, s. and h. of Robert Langford, sold Halywell, Hants (*Geneal. N.S.* xxiv. 50).

¹¹ Pardon Roll, 27 Feb. 1459 (m.30); Pardon Roll, 1465 (m.19).

¹² *Rot. Parl.* v. 546.

¹³ The rector of Aston, Yorks., to marry Sir Nicholas Langford to Margaret Melton (*Test. Ebor.* iii. 341).

¹⁴ Pardon Roll, 1509, Thomas and John Welles of Horecross, Staffs., exors. of Margaret, widow of Nicholas Longford, decd. (4 m.15).

On Derbys. comms. from Oct. 1470 under the Readeption; knthd. at Tewkesbury, 4 May 1471; J.P. Derbys., 26 June 1471 till death; on Lord Hastings' list, but more probably a follower of the Duke of Clarence, 1474;¹ took part in the King's expedition to France, with six men at arms and sixty archers, and himself as a knth. at 2s. a day, 1475;² sued for the advowson of Normanton, Derbys., as heir of Avery de Sulney, 1477.³

D. 27 Mar. 1481, when Ralph,⁴ aged 24, was his bro. and h. to lands in Derbys., Notts., and Staffs.⁵

LONGFORD (LANGFORD), THOMAS; of Wells, goldsmith. M.P. Wells 1445-6.

Pardoned outlawry for not appearing to answer a plea of debt of 4 marks to Robert Rempston the elder, 1448.⁶

LONGVILLE, GEORGE (1440-99); of Wolverton, Bucks., and Shoreditch. M.P. Barnstaple 1472-5.

Yr. s. of Richard (s. and h. of George Longville M.P. Bucks. 1421, d. 1458).

He was one of the followers of Clarence and Warwick to be arrested, Apr. 1470; pardoned, as of Wolverton *alias* of London, July 1470; elector, Bucks., 1478; a feoffee of land in Stoney Stratford, 1482; a partner of John Kendal, secy. to Richard III, in 1484; pardoned Dec. 1485;⁷ granted the custody of Northampton castle, 1485-89;⁸ granted pesage in Northampton, and the custody of the Honor of Peverill and of the castle and honor of Huntingdon, Oct. 1485.⁹

D. 27 July 1499, when Richard, aged 30, was his s. and h.¹⁰ Will of George Longville of Shoreditch, dat. 26 July, pr. 3 Aug. 1499. To be bur. Augustine Friars, London. Bequest to St. Leonard's, Shoreditch; to s. Richard £100; to Richard Gaadd "for the grete kyndenesse and love that he hath shewed unto me in divs. sundry wise" £20. Residue to Dame Elizabeth Saxby and John Bolle, gent., his exors., for the good of his soul.¹¹

LOPHAM (LOPPMAN), JOHN; of Ipswich. M.P. Ipswich 1463-5.

A Thomas Lopham was M.P. Cambs. 1414. The elections for the 1463 Parliament were made in response to two successive writs, and at Ipswich there were two elections. On 27 Jan. 1463 Worsop and Loppam, burgesses resident, were elected—Worsop to have 20d. a day if Parliament met at York and 16d. a day if nigher, Loppam 12d. a day wherever it should be. On 15 Apr. the two were again elected.¹² The place Lopham is in Norfolk.

LOUTHER see LOWTHER.

LOVELL, RICHARD (1430-79); of Boveney and Eton, Bucks.; Seneschal of Windsor; lawyer. M.P. Windsor 1472-5.

¹ Dugdale, *Baronage*, 583.

² *Foedera*, V. iii. 57.

³ *Geneal. N.S.* xx, 29.

⁴ 1481/3. Ralph Longford esq., bro. and h. of Sir Nicholas, sued John, bp. of Chester, for manors in Lancs., Staffs., Derbs., Warws., Lincs. and Salop (*Early Chan. Proc.* 36/27); also Pardon Roll, 12 Feb. 1492 (m.33).

⁵ *Inq. p.m.* 21 Edw. IV, No. 52.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1448), 98, 194.

⁷ Pardon Roll, 1485, of Wolverton, Bucks., esq., *alias* late of London, *alias* late of Northampton (m.4).

⁸ Palmer's Index to the Fine Rolls.

⁹ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 86.

¹⁰ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 305.

¹¹ P.C.C., 37 Horne.

¹² Bacon, *Ipswich*, 121.

Perhaps he came from N'hants., son of Sir John Lovell;¹ *m.* Anne, da. and h. of John Flegg of Gt. Marlow and Eton, Bucks.,² and had das. and coh. Agatha (*b.* 1469) wife of John Wayte, and Jane (*b.* 1471) wife of George Rotherham.³

He was presented as an attorney of the sheriff's court in the London Guildhall, 1453;⁴ pardoned, 11 Oct. 1455, with other Lancastrians;⁵ on comms. in Oxon. and Bucks., 1464 to 1472; J.P. Bucks., of the quorum, 1 Oct. 1464 to Dec. 1470 and 4 Jan. 1471 till death; elector, Bucks., 1467, 1468 "esq."; pardoned 1472;⁶ seneschall of Windsor, 1473.⁷

D. 5 Sept. 1479, when Agatha (9) and Jane (7) were his das. and heiresses;⁸ lands—Chirchfield, Berks., Boveney and Eton, Bucks.⁹

LOVELL, Sir THOMAS (1453–1524); of Elsing by Enfield and of Halliwell in Shoreditch, K.G.; Sq. and Knt. of the Body 1485–1509; Chanc. of Exchequer and P.C. 1485–1516; Treasurer of the Household 1486–1509; President of the Council 1502–9; Steward of the Household 1509–16; Constable of the Tower 1509–16; lawyer.

M.P. (? somewhere 1483 Jan., 1483 June); NORFOLK or MIDDLESEX 1485–6 (SPEAKER); MIDDLESEX (? 1487), (? 1489–90), 1491–2; NORFOLK 1495; MIDDLESEX 1497, (? 1504); (? 1510); (? 1512–4); (? 1515).

5th s. of Ralph Lovell of Barton-Bendish, Norf., by Anne da. of alderman Robert Toppe of Norwich, *i.e.*, yr. bro. of Gregory and of Robert Lovell (*d.* 1520);¹⁰ *m.* (1) Eleanor da. of Gregory Ratcliff, (2) Isabel, da. of Thomas, lord Roos,¹¹ whereby he came to live at Elsing. No issue; his h. was Francis, son of his bro. Gregory.

He entered Lincoln's Inn, and in 1473 received an annuity of 20s. a year from Henry Heydon (*q.v.*); J.P. Norfolk, of the quorum, 1478 to 1482; a feoffee in Hants 1480.¹² He was attainted by the 1484 Parliament "late of Beecheham Wells, gent." having been a leader of Buckingham's rebellion in Devon.¹³ Yet on 24 Feb. 1484, doubtless through Viscount Lovell's influence, "the King's servant" Thomas Lovell and Anne Lovell, widow, were granted Polsted Hall in Burnham, Norf., forfeited by Thomas Fynes, esq.¹⁴ This must have been a useless bribe as he fought for Henry Tudor at Bosworth.¹⁵ Thereafter came reward—he succeeded Sir Thomas Thwaites as Chancellor of the Exchequer (for life) with 40 marks a year, 12 Oct. 1485;¹⁵ P.C. and Squire of the Body with 50 marks a year, 27 Oct.

¹ The names of Sir John Lovell and Richard Lovell esq. occur among the Lancastrians of Northants. whose lands are to be seized, 14 May 1461 (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1461, 35).

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 36/80.

³ Lipscomb, *Bucks.*, iii. 204.

⁴ *Letter Book K.* 350.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1455, of St. Margaret's, Southwark, yeoman, *alias* late of Shoreditch (m.29).

⁶ Pardon Roll, 1472—of London, gent., *alias* of Boveney, Bucks., *alias* late of New Windsor (m.27).

⁷ Tighe and Davis, *Annals of Windsor*, 400.

⁸ Their custody was granted to the bp. of Lincoln, chancellor, 1 Feb. 1480.

⁹ *Inq. p.m.* 19 Edw. IV, No. 15.

¹⁰ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Thomas Lovell; but we find no evidence that Ralph Lovell was ever knighted.

¹¹ W. Duncombe Pink MSS. In 1491 Lovell was granted the guiding and governance of Edmund, Lord Roos (1446–1508), who is not of sufficient discretion to take care of himself (*Rot. Parl.* vi. 452).

¹² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 428.

¹³ Beachamwell, Norf.—*Rot. Parl.* vi. 246.

¹⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 455.

¹⁵ The then relative position of the two offices may be seen when Lovell the Chancellor of the Exchequer (on 18 Nov. 1486) is paid his salary of 40 marks by Avery Cornburgh (*q.v.*) the Under Treasurer, whose salary was only 20 marks (Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 100).

1485; elected for Norfolk or Middlesex and chosen for Speaker, 8 Nov. 1485;¹ attainder reversed; added to the bench in 18 counties; Treasurer of the Household (of the King's and Queen's Chamber) by 16 Oct. 1486;² J.P., and of the quorum, Bucks., etc., from 1485; kntd. at Stoke fight, 16 June 1487; kpr. of Wallingford 1488; const. of Nottingham, 11 Mar. 1489; jointly with James Hobart, the attorney genl., steward of the Duchy in Norfolk, Suffolk and Cambs., 7 Aug. 1489.³ He was one of those who signed the Treaty for England with Scotland, 3 July 1486;⁴ was treating with the Duchess of Brittany, Apr. 1490;⁵ was at all the great Court functions; one of the King's feoffees 1491, 1496; an exor. for Cicely, duchess of York, 1494, for the Lady Margaret, for John, earl of Oxford (1512), for Sir Robert Sheffield the Speaker (1514). By 1502 he was President of the Council; K.G. 1503. The Parlt. of 1504, in which he probably sat, appointed him one of those to choose the subsidy comrns. in Norfolk and in Middlesex.⁶

Though he was colleague to Empson and Dudley, yet he did not suffer when Henry VII died. He ceased indeed to be Treasurer of the Household and President of the Council, but he was reappointed Chancellor of the Exchequer, and made Constable of the Tower, Surveyor of the Court of Wards, and Steward and Marshal of the Household. He retired from public life to Elsing in 1516, made his will 10 Dec. 1522,⁷ and *d.* 25 May 1524; buried at Halliwell in Shoreditch.

It is to be remarked that he was Speaker at 32, though he may never have sat in Parliament before; that, though he sat in so many Parliaments, he was never Speaker again; that he was Chancellor of the Exchequer for life; that he escaped the censure that fell on his colleagues in the King's service; and that he more than any other combined a seat in the Commons House with administrative office—the best early example of that distinctive feature of the English constitution.

LOVELL, Hon. WILLIAM (1430–76); of Hallingbury, Essex. M.P. OXFORDSHIRE 1459. Sumnd. as Lord Morley 1469, 1470–1. Lancastrian.

Second s. of Sir William Lovell, lord Lovell of Minster-Lovell, Oxon. (1397–1455), by Alice (1404–74) da. and h. of Sir John Deyncourt; *m.* in or before 1466

¹ The report of the Colchester members runs as follows:—

“The vijth day of November, be ix of the clokke, so for to precede unto a leccion for (to) chose a Speker. So the leccion gave hir voyse unto Thomas Lovell, a gentleman . . . Lincolnes Inne. That doon, it pleased the Knyghts that were there present for to ryse f(rom) ther sets and so for to goo to that place where as the Speker stode and (brought him and) set hym in his sete. That done, there he thanked all the maisters of the plase. Then (it pleased) the Recorder of London for to shew the custume of the place. This was his seyeng: ‘Maister Speker, and all my maisters, there hath ben an ordir in this place in tymes passed (that) ye shuld commaunde a certayn (? number) of Knyghts and other gentilmen, such as it pleaseth you . . . to the number of xxiii, and they to goo togedir unto my Lord Chaunceller, and there to show unto his lordship that they have doon the Kyngs commaundement in the chosyn of our Speker, desyring his lordship if that he wold shew it unto the Kyng's grace. And . . . whan it plesith the King to commaunde us when, we shall present hym afore his high grace. Yt pleased the Kyng that we shuld present hym upon the ix day of Novembre. That same day, at x of the cloke; sembled Maister Speker and all the Knyghts, sitteners (Citizens) and burgeyses in the parlement house, and so departed into the parlement chamber before the Kyngs grace and all his lords spirituall and temporall and all his Juggs (Judges) and so presented our Speker before the Kyngs grace and all his lords spirituall and temporall.’”

² Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 98.

³ *ibid.* ii. 472.

⁴ *Foedera*, V. iii. 181.

⁵ *ibid.* V. iv. 33.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. pp. 537, 540.

⁷ W. D. Pink MSS.

she being then aged 23, Eleanor sole da. and h. of Robert Morley, lord Morley,¹ of Hallingbury (1418-43), and had issue Henry, lord Morley (1466-88/9).²

His mother was nurse or governess to Edward, prince of Wales, 1455-60; wherefor William sat in the 1459 Parlt. He was never kntd., nor J.P., nor sheriff, nor did he ever hold office, even under the Lancastrians. But he was sumnd. by Warwick to the 1469 Parlt. (which never met) in right of his wife's barony, 10 Aug. 1469, and again in 1470, but not in 1467 nor 1472.

D. 5 Sept. 1476, when Henry, aged 10, was his s. and h.; lands—Oxon., Berks., Wilts., Essex, Bucks.

LOVET, EDMUND; of Derby.

M.P. Derby boro' 1455-6.

In 1455 Edmund Lovet was elector for town and county as well as elected for the town of Derby.

LOWTH, THOMAS (1455-1533); of Sawtry esq. ? Lawyer. M.P. HUNTINGDONSHIRE 1491-2.

Perhaps s. of Lionel Lowth, a Hunts. elector 1449 (1); *m.* Anne.

As servant to Richard III he was granted a £10 pension out of Hunts., 22 Mar. 1484;³ J.P. Hunts., 1 Dec. 1478 to 26 July 1483; pardoned as of Sawtre, 1 Nov. 1495. In the 1495 Parlt. John Tichborne (*q.v.*) and Thomas Lowth and Anne his wife obtained the reversal of the attainder of William Waynford—Tichborne being son of Jane, one sis. of Waynford, and Anne being da. of Alice, the other sis. of Waynford.⁴ Louth was receiver of crown lands in Hunts., Lincs., etc.; a subsidy comnr. for Hunts., apptd. in Parlt., 1504 and again 1523;⁵ J.P. again, 6 Aug. 1499 till death; on Hunts. comns., chiefly gaol delivery at Huntingdon and Ramsay, from 1502; pardoned 1509, of Sawtre, Hunts., and Gretingham, Suff. A feoffee of Sawtry, Rowey and Fenton, called "esq.", in 3 Hen. VIII.⁶

D. 26 Oct. 1533, when Margaret, aged 4, da. of Lionel s. of Edward s. of Thomas Louth, was g.g. da. and h.; lands—Hunts.⁷

LOWTHER (LOUTHER), HUGH (1400-75); of Lowther. Soldier. M.P. CUMBERLAND 1426, 1431, 1449 (1). Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir Hugh Lowther, M.P., by Margaret, da. and h. of William Strickland (*d.* 1419), bishop of Carlisle.⁸

He served at Agincourt in the retinue of the duke of Gloucester, 1415; elector, Cumbd., 1423, 1425, 1427, 1429, 1432, 1435, 1437; eschr. of Cumberland 1429-30; witness at Carlisle, 1431; J.P. Cumberland, 5 Dec. 1432 to 9 Dec. 1459, and again 6 Feb. 1471 till 20 June 1473; on Cumberland comns. 1429 to 1457;

¹ *Comp. Peer.* iv. 129-30. It is however possible that he was *m.* before. Since, at Hillary 1443, Chalgrove, Oxon., was quit-claimed to Wm. Lovell and Eliz., John Gayge and Eleanor, Richard Harcourt and Edith—these being the das. and coheirresses of Thomas s. and h. of Philip St. Clair (*Geneal.* xxi. 101). And in 1457 the same couples were pardoned arrears of account (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1457), 350).

² *G.E.C. Comp. Peer.* L-N. p. 372.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 391.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 493.

⁵ *ibid.* vi. 535.

⁶ G. J. Turner, *Hunts. Feet of Fines*, 119.

⁷ *Inq. p.m.* 26 Hen. VIII, No. 45.

⁸ His mother was presumably a da. of Bishop William Strickland before he took Orders, and in any case the Earl of Lonsdale now quarters Margaret's arms (*ex inf.* H. Hornyold-Strickland).

sworn to the peace in Cumberland, May 1434; pardoned 1437;¹ sheriff of Cumberland 1439-40. William his son, called King's Servant, was made forester of Inglewood, 1442. Hugh himself was pardoned, 15 Oct. 1446; elector, Cumbd. again 1442, 1447, 1449 (1), 1453, 1455, 1467. With his s. William apptd. to collect all the farms and debts due to the Crown since the preceding Nov., as there had been no sheriff of Cumberland, Nov. 1454. The King, or rather the Yorkist administration, wrote to Hugh Lowther esq. the elder, 9 Dec. 1455.² Though probably Lancastrian he survived the revolution; pardoned, 1 May 1462, as "of Hyghede, Cumberland, esq., *alias* gent., *alias* late sheriff of Cumberland, *alias* late escheator of Henry VI in Cumberland." He was never knighted.

D. 4 Aug. 1475, when Hugh, aged 40, was his s. and h.; but Hugh the son d. 17 Sept. 1475, when Hugh his s. was aged 14.

LOWTHER, JAMES (1463-1515); of Purton, Wilts. King's servant 1493-1515. M.P. Marlborough 1491-2.

Probably yr. s. of Hugh Lowther of Lowther (1435-75), for he is called "brother of Hugh Lowther of the North",³ who was 14 in Sept. 1475; *m.* Jane da. and coh. of William Collingbourne,⁴ and lived at Purton, Wilts.; died *s.p.*

Eschr., Hants and Wilts., 1485-6; pardoned arrears 1487; King's servant and granted a £10 pension, Apr. 1493; at reception to Catherine of Aragon, 1501; a gent. usher at the funeral of Henry VII.⁵ He remained gent. usher under Henry VIII and had a grant of Elcombe park, Wilts., forfeited by Francis, lord Lovell, 1511.⁶

LOWYS see LEWIS.

LUCCOMBE, THOMAS (1415-88); of Bodmin, lawyer. M.P. Bodmin 1442.

S. of Thomas Luccombe by Alice, da. of William de Carburra; *m.* Jane da. of Andrew de Helligan.⁷

Elector, Cornwall, 1442, 1467, 1478; mayor of Bodmin, 1449, 1463-67 and 1477-83;⁸ charged by the Prior of St. Petrock's, Bodmin, as being one of those citizens of Bodmin who had rioted against the said Priory, and he was with James Flamank on the same ill work in July 1456;⁹ on many of the comns. in Cornwall from 1460, described in 1481 as esquire; J.P. Cornwall, of the quorum, 28 Jan. 1467 to 8 Nov. 1470, 3 Dec. 1473 to 10 Nov. 1475, 13 Nov. 1479 to 24 July 1483, and 30 Dec. 1483 till death. In July 1468 he had a grant of three tuns of pirated

¹ The Pardon Roll of 1437 describes him as "late escheator of Cumberland" (m.7). Also *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1430), 22.

² *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi.

³ *Ex inf.* Storey Maskelyne.

⁴ Hanged, drawn and quartered as the author of "The Rat, the Cat, and Lovell my Dog, rule all England under the Hog." c. 1484/5, George Chatterton and Margaret his wife, and James Lowther and Jane his w., das. and coh. of William Colyngbourn, decd., complain that the deeds of Liddiard-Millicent "be come into the hands" of Elene Weltden, widow, da. of Dame Margaret Pickering, late wife of William Colyngbourn (*Early Chan. Proc.* 259/10 and 11).

⁵ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 14.

⁶ *ibid.* i. 805 (10).

⁷ Maclean, *Trigg Minor*, ii. 518.

⁸ *ibid.* i. 235.

⁹ In 1467 the prior and convent of Bodmin sued Thomas Luccombe, mayor of Bodmin, for the rent payable by the burgesses in virtue of a grant of Richard, late count of Poitou and earl of Cornwall. This must have been a grant to the priory dating from the 13th century (*Early Chan. Proc.* 33/29).

wine; pardoned, 1 Dec. 1471 as of Bodmin, gent., and in 1486 with the same description.

His children's marriage settlements seem to have involved him frequently in Chancery proceedings. For instance, John Trefry and Mary, da. of Thomas Luccombe, sued the said Thomas for their marriage settlement; and William Rosmodres and others sued him for abducting, from the house of Walter Moyll (*q.v.*), one of the daughters of Otes Trenewith of Cornwall, who had been married within age to Harry Luccombe deceased, a son of Thomas Luccombe.¹

LUCY, Sir WILLIAM (1403-60); of Wicken and Dallington, N'hants. Soldier; King's Knight and Councillor. M.P. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 1449-50, (? 1459). Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir Walter Lucy of Wappenham (*d.* 1444), by Eleanor (*d.* 1447), da. and coh. of Sir Warin, s. and h. of John, lord Archdekne of Laherne, Cornwall;² *m. c.* 1435 (1) Elizabeth (1412-55), da. and coh. of Sir Henry Percy and widow of Thomas Burgh of Gainsborough; and (2) Margaret,³ da. of Sir Lewis John (*q.v.*).

In 1430 Lucy went to France in the retinue of Humphrey, earl of Stafford; he was captain of Vernon Castle in 1435, and in 1443 he was doing frontier garrison work in La Marche under Lord Scales. Next year he was lieutenant of Vire. His father died in 1444, he being then 40, and he returned to England in 1445, when he was exempted from all further office. He was kntd. 3 Apr. 1431/9 July 1432;⁴ on 5 May 1434, William Lucy knt., and Elizabeth his wife, as a coh. of Phillipa, sometime wife of Ralf de Percy, obtained confirmation of letters patent. Elector 1437; pardoned, 15 July 1437, as "late tenant of the castles, lands, etc., late of Edmund, earl of March, together with Elizabeth his wife, tenants of the lands of Henry Percy knt." (*m.9*). As "of Wycken, N'hants." he was pardoned outlawry for debt in 1440. As King's knight, s. and h. of Eleanor, late wife of Sir Walter Lucy, he had licence 18 Aug. 1447, to enter her possessions, "for good service in France and Normandy at his own cost." He was "late of Richard's Castle, Heref.", in Nov. 1448—inherited from his mother's mother's father, Sir John Talbot.

J.P. Bucks., 20 Aug. 1446 to 29 June 1459. J.P. N'hants., 9 July 1452 till death. He was on comns.—taking musters at Plymouth in 1451, and dealing with rioters in the Northern Counties in July 1453—but mostly Lancastrian comns. in N'hants., Bucks. and Worcs., down to Feb. 1460. As he had sat in the 1449-50 Parlt. he was one of those four—Lucy, Tyrell, Strangways and Richard Waller esq.—who were apptd. treasurers and receivers of the subsidy granted in that Parlt. Lucy was sent to treat with the Scots in Apr. 1451; and pardoned as of "Dallington, knt." 14 Aug. 1452 (*m.19*). He is called "our well-beloved Councillor" in 1453; and was one of the four knights summoned to the Council, 29 May 1454.⁵ He was also summoned for Northamptonshire to the Great Council at Leicester, 16 Apr. 1455; and he was first on the list of N'hants. electors in July 1455. In Nov. 1455, and again in Mar. 1458, he was pardoned as "of Dallington, N'hants." He may have sat for Bucks. in 1459 when made sheriff of Heref., 7 Nov. 1459. Certainly on 20 Dec. 1459 he was made trustee

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 36/67; 20/154.

² *Comp. Peer.* viii. 262; Baker, *Northants*, i. 130.

⁴ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 119; (1432), 187.

³ *Geneal. N.S.* xii. 234.

⁵ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 186.

for the duchess of York after her husband's attainder, and that appointment must have been made at Coventry.

He was with the King at Northampton, and there he was slain, 10 July 1460, "by the servants of John Stafford esq. (*q.v.*), who soon afterwards married his wife";¹ but Gregory gives the best account. "And that goode knyght Syr Wylliam Lucy that dwellyd be-syde Northampton hyrde the gonne schotte, and come unto the fylde to have holpen the Kynge, but the fylde was done or that he come; an one of the Staffordys was ware of hys comynge, and looded that knyght ys wyffe and hated hym, and a-non causyd hys dethe."²

His widow, to whom dower was assigned in 1462, *m.* secondly one Wake (? John Wake M.P.) and *d.* 4 Aug. 1466, shortly after giving birth to a s., John Wake.³ The Pardon Roll, 5 Feb. 1462, includes "Margaret, who was wife of William Lucy knt. of Dallington, N'hants., widow, which William Lucy was late sheriff for Henry VI in Herefordshire" (*m.* 34). If there was any truth in the Stafford story, Stafford affections must have waned. Lucy left no issue by either wife. His heirs were Elizabeth, aged 34, wife of Roger Corbet, da. of Sir William's sis. Eleanor, and William Vaux, aged 24, s. of Maud his other sis.

LUCY, Sir WILLIAM (1436-92); of Charlcote, Warw. M.P. BEDFORDSHIRE 1467-8, 1472-5.

S. of William Lucy (*d.* 1466), by Eleanor, da. of Reynold, lord Grey of Ruthyn,⁴ which William was s. of Sir Thomas Lucy, *d.* 1415, who by his marriage with Alice, da. of Sir William Hugford, obtained the lands in Beds. and Salop. He was 30 at his father's death in Sept. 1466, when he inherited lands in Beds., Kent, Essex, Herts., N'hants., Worc., and Cornwall; *m.* (1) Margaret (*b.* 1436), da. and coh. of John Brecknock M.P.; and (2) Alice, *d.* 1495, da. of William Hambery.⁵

Sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1468-9; sheriff, Warw. and Leics., 1474-5 (when granted £160 as reward), 1488-9 (same reward); J.P. Warw., 6 Dec. 1471 till sheriff, and 6 Nov. 1490 till death; on Warw. comms. 1471 to 1491, but not Richard III's comms.; pardoned all alienations without licence, 1478; kntd. 24 Nov. 1487 at the coronation of Queen Elizabeth; exempted from being made Justice or minister, 1491. Shakespeare took a dislike to his gt. grandson.

D. 8 July 1492; when Edmund Lucy the yr., aged 28, was his s. and h. Lands—Warw., Leics., Worcs., Glos., Wilts., Salop, Beds., and Bucks. Will, dat. 3 July, pr. 15 Nov. 1492, of William Lucy, knt., lord of Charlcote. To be bur. in Stretford par. ch. Bequests to Dame Alice his wife; Humphrey Lucy his s. to have a £10 annuity. Exors.:—Edward Rawlegh, knight, Robert Throgmorton, Thomas Brerton squire, and Dame Alice his wife.⁶

LUDLOW, Sir RICHARD (1430-98); of Stokesay and Hodnet. M.P. SALOP (? 1483 Jan., 1483 June, 1483 Oct., 1484), 1485-6.

S. of Richard Ludlow, serjt. of the cellar (*d. c.* 1460).

Elector, Salop, 1455; pardoned, 22 Feb. 1458, as of Stokesay, esq.; kntd. 18 Apr. 1475;⁷ J.P. Salop, 10 Nov. 1475 to 14 Sept. 1496; sheriff, Salop, 1477-8,

¹ Worcester, *Annales*, 773.

² *Gregory's Chronicle*, Camden Soc. 1876, p. 207. Dallington is now in Northampton.

³ *Comp. Peer.* viii. 262-3.

⁴ Dugdale, *Warwickshire*, pp. 507-8.

⁵ *Visitn. Warw.*

⁶ P.C.C., 15 Doggett.

⁷ Shaw, *Knights*, i. 137.

1489-90; at Richard's coronation and on all the 1483-4 comms. for Salop, subsidy and array, but none thereafter. Some time before 1485 he was under constable of Wallingford.¹

D. 23 Dec. 1498, when Anne (16) wife of Thomas Vernon, and Alice (15) wife of Humphrey Vernon, were his g. das. and cohs.—das. of John his son. Sir Gilbert Talbot and other feoffees entered on his lands at Hodnet which they had got from Sir Richard.

LUDLOW, WILLIAM (1410-78); of Hill Deverell. Parker of Ludgershall; Yeoman of the Cellar 1440-61; Gauger in London 1437-50; Gauger in Hull 1443-50. M.P. Ludgershall 1432, 1433, 1435, 1437; Salisbury 1439-40; Ludgershall 1453-4, 1455-6.

Perhaps a yr. bro. of Sir Richard Ludlow of Deverell-Longbridge, Wilts.; m. Margaret da. and h. of William Rymer.²

As yeoman he occurs in London, 1433;³ gauger in London, Mar. 1437, and still so in 1446, being a reward for good service and described as King's Servant. In Dec. 1437 he was made parker of Ludgershall with 3*d.* a day. In 1440 the King's serjeants, Etton and Ludlow, had £10 per annum from Rowley Regis, Staffs. In May 1440 Ludlow, yeoman trayer of the cellar, had a re-grant for life of the manor of Ludgershall;⁴ renewed Feb. 1449. He was sent to Flanders in Feb. 1440 to negotiate a trade agreement. In Nov. 1440, jointly with Edmund Langton, he was made launder of Clarendon park and keeper of the coneys on the lawn. A grant of 1441 gives all his das. names,⁵ and he was granted in 1442 the reversion (a previous and inoperative grant) of the office of constable of Carisbrooke on the death of Humphrey, duke of Gloucester. In 1443 he was made gauger in Hull; in Dec. 1443, keeper of minority lands; in Apr. 1444 he was joined with his son, John, in the parkership of Ludgershall; pardoned 1446. The Act of Resumption of 1449-50 exempted him, so far as his £10 pension was concerned, he being still yeoman of the cellar in 1454; while a John Ludlow was page of the cellar and a Richard Ludlow serjeant thereof;⁶ in 1452, clerk of the King for recognition of debts. He is probably the William Ludlow who had a tenement in Salisbury, 1455.⁷ Pardoned with other Lancastrian servants Nov. 1455,⁸ and again Feb. 1458,⁹ and May 1462 with other ex-Lancastrian officials.¹⁰ He must have lost Ludgershall and all office in 1461 for on the Pardon Roll of Mar. 1473 he has sunk to "gent., of Hill Deverill, Wilts., *alias* yeoman" (m.27). In Sept. 1476 he witnessed a deed of Margaret, lady Hungerford.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 66/412.

² Hoare, *Modern Wilts.* ii. 15.

³ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1433), 231.

⁴ It will be noted that he received the grant at the rising of the Parlt., when he sat for Salisbury and not for Ludgershall.

⁵ Margaret had md. Thomas Tropenell (*q.v.*), and the others, unmarried, were Jane the elder, Mary, Margery and Jane the younger (*Tropenell Cart.* i. 233).

⁶ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 227.

⁷ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

⁸ Pardon Roll, Nov. 1455—of Ludgershall, *alias* of the Household, *alias* traïor of the cellar (m.17).

⁹ Pardon Roll, Feb. 1458. Custodian of castle and manor of Ludgershall, *alias* yeoman, *alias* of Hill-Deverell, gent. (m.32).

¹⁰ Pardon Roll, 1462—of Hill Deverell, Wilts., gent., *alias* late of Ludgershall, yeoman, *alias* late yeoman of the cellar to Henry VI, *alias* late farmer of Pennallowe, in the commote of Pennlynn, Merioneth, *alias* late gauger in London, *alias* late gauger in Hull (m.23).

D. 23 Dec. 1478, when John, aged 40, was his s. and h. Lands—Wilts., Sussex. Tropenell compiled certain pedigrees of those interested in his manor of East Chalfield, in which he shows himself as marrying Margaret, da. of William Ludlow, lord of High Deverell, Butler to three Kings of England, *viz.*, Henry IV, V, VI. Arms, on a field silver, a chevron sable between three martronsheads of the same rased; and says that he was buried at St. Thomas's, Salisbury, under a marble tomb.¹

LUDWORTH, ROLAND (1450-1510). M.P. Gatton 1478.

Roland Ludworth and Margaret his wife levied a fine of lands in Lingfield, Surrey, with John Gaynesford (*q.v.*) 1485.² The same man was a feoffee for Jane Hastings (*d.* 1505) of her manor of Romanby, Yorks., held of the bp. of Durham.³

LUMLEY (LOMLEY), Hon. Sir GEORGE (1442⁴-1507); of Lumley, Durham (Lord Lumley 1485). Constable of Scarboro' 1461-71. M.P. NORTH-UMBERLAND 1467-8. Sumnd. 1485-6, 1487, 1489-90, 1491-2, 1495, 1497, 1504.

S. and h. of Sir Thomas Lumley (Lord Lumley 1461) (1410⁵-85), by Margaret da. of Sir James Harrington; *m.* Elizabeth, da. and eventually sole heir of Roger son of Roger Thornton, a great Newcastle merchant, by whom he had Thomas Lumley M.P. (1463-1505).⁶

On comns. of array in North Riding by 10 May 1461; held Tynemouth castle with 24 men, Sept. 1461 till 11 Jan. 1462;⁷ sheriff, Nhd., 7 Nov. 1461; made constable of Scarborough jointly with his father 14 Dec. 1461; knighted 7 Nov. 1461/2—also married and had issue, all evidently before he was of age.

Sheriff, Nhd., and excused his ferm by reason of the troubles,⁷ 1461-3; also Michs. 1467 to 4 June 1471; sheriff, Durham, 14 Aug. 1470 to 20 Nov. 1476. He must have "done something" during the Readeption, probably supported Archbishop Nevill, for he was removed from the shrievalty of Northumberland, to which he had been appointed while knight of that shire, and lost for a time the constableness of Scarboro'. He was back as constable by Nov. 1474 when pardoned. He and his father "and other evil-doers" looted the wreck of a Hamburg ship at Hartlepool in 1477, and were to be arrested, and pardoned, as "late of Ille in the bishopric of Durham," 6 Mar. 1480. He was made, jointly with his father, keeper of Weardale forest 1475; "Lord Lieutenant" of Nhd. 1480-1;⁸ went with the Duke of Gloucester to the siege of Berwick and to Scotland, made banneret at Hootonfield near Berwick, 22 Aug. 1482. Submitted at once to Henry VII and accompanied him on his northern progress 1486. Sumnd. to Parliament in his father's place 1485 and had livery of his lands 12 May 1486. Followed the earl of Surrey against the Scots 1497, and in 1503 he and his son escorted Princess Margaret with 400 horse from Darlington to Berwick to her marriage in Scotland.⁹

¹ He must be distinguished from the contemporary William Ludlow of Salop, sometime sheriff of that county. They were, however, related, since Ludlow of Hill Deverell quartered the arms of Ludlow of Salop (G. M. Young).

² *Surrey Arch. Soc., Pedes Finium*, 231.

³ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. p. 538.

⁴ Aged 40 plus at his father's death, 1 Apr. 1485.

⁵ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 140.

⁶ *Arch. Aeliana*, 3rd series, xiv. 199.

⁷ Scofield, *Edw. IV*, i. 204.

⁸ *Comp. Peer.* viii. 273-4; *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir George Lumley. Lords Lieutenant are not found elsewhere till much later.

⁹ Fordyce, *Hist. of Durham*, ii. pp. 613-4.

D. 13 Nov. 1507, buried at Chester le Street ; g.s. and h. Richard, aged 30 in 1508, *d.* 1510. His will, leaving his lands in trust for his g.s. and h. Richard, is recited in the Inq. *p.m.* of Richard, lord Lumley.¹ Arms :—Argent, a fess gules between 3 popinjays. Present representative, the Earl of Scarborough. That he sat for Northumberland without owning any land in the county is evidence of the weak hold the Yorkists had there.

LUMLEY, Hon. THOMAS (1462–1505) ; constable of Scarborough. M.P. NORTHUMBERLAND 1495.

Eld. s. and h. of Sir George, lord Lumley, M.P. (1442–1507) by Elizabeth (Thornton) ; *m. c.* 1476, Elizabeth, bastard da. of Edward IV by lady Elizabeth Lucy, by whom he had Richard, lord Lumley, who is called aged 30 and more at his grandfather's death in 1507 ! Elizabeth is said to have been born 1464/5.² As Richard's son, John, lord Lumley, had livery of his father's lands, 18 July 1515,³ the successive generations were perhaps born 1410, 1442, 1462, 1478, 1495 !

On his mother's death a dispute arose as to Lady Lumley's inheritance with one Giles Thornton, possibly her half brother ; and Thomas Lumley killed him in a ditch at Windsor Castle, an undated achievement which links Thomas with Windsor and so with Edward's bastard.⁴ In Sept. 1493, George, lord Lumley, and Thomas, his s. and h. apparent, witnessed a feoffment by Ralph, earl of Westmorland.⁵ A comnr. of array, Durham, 1491, 1494.⁶ In spite of Surtees, who says he *d.* 1487,⁷ the *Records of the Lumley Family* state that he was present at the meeting of the Estates for the see of Durham, 1495 ; also "governor" of Scarborough ;⁸ J.P. for Durham and Sedbergh, 1502.⁶

Presumably *d.* soon after, in any case before his father.

LUNCE (LUNS), WILLIAM (1430–85) ; of Hythe, fisherman. M.P. Hythe 1470–1,⁹ 1478.¹⁰

Perhaps s. of William Lunhxx who was at Sandwich in 1436, and citizen and vintner of London 1442–6.

William Lunce was exor. of the will of John Goff at Herne, Kent, 1473 ;¹¹ and exor. of the will of John Nottingham junior at Herne, 1481.¹² Bailiff of Hythe 1473–4, 1482–3.

LUTE (LUYT) see LLOYD and LYTE.

LUTE (LUYT), ROBERT (1441–80) ; of Titchborne, Wilts. M.P. Heytesbury 1478.

S. and h. of Thomas Lyte of the same M.P. (1417–76) by Jane (FitzJames) ; *m.* by 1475/85 Mary (?) da. of John Boteler esq.¹³ He was aged 34 at his father's death.

¹ Inq. *p.m.* Hen. VII, C. Vol. 21, No. 4 ; and Vol. 5, Nos. 114, 125.

² Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 161.

³ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, ii. 727.

⁴ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Geo. Lumley.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 174.

⁶ *Ex inf.* C. H. Hunter-Blair.

⁷ Surtees, *Hist. of co. Durham*, ii. 163, quoting no evidence for the date.

⁸ E. Milner, *Records of the Lumley Family*.

⁹ Elected 4 Nov. 1470 ; claimed for 63 days at 2s. a day (Hythe Accts. G. f. 29d).

¹⁰ Elected 21 Dec. 1477 ; claimed wages for 44 days at 2s. (Hythe Accts. G.93f. 174d).

¹¹ *Arch. Cant.* xxviii. 100, citing Canterbury Wills, ii. fol. 248.

¹² *ibid.* 107, citing same, ii. fol. 530.

¹³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 60/142.

LUTE (LUYT), THOMAS (1417-76); of Titchborne near Redlynch, Wilts. M.P. Heytesbury 1455-6.

M. Jane FitzJames.¹

In Nov. 1439 a Thomas Lute, late of Oxford, scholar, was pardoned outlawry for not appearing in a plea of debt. In 1460 and 1465 he was a feoffee in Wilts. for Richard Page.²

D. 29 Mar. 1476, when Robert, aged 34, was his s. and h.; lands—"Tychborne", Wilts. His s. Robert was M.P. for Heytesbury in 1478, and a Richard Lute died in 1562 seised of Titchborne. Mr. Storey-Maskelyne agrees in thinking that the Heytesbury M.P.s were not the Lytes of Lytes Cary; a John was the s. and h. of the contemporary Thomas Lyte of that family.

LYE, JOHN (1407³-52); of Flamerston, Wilts.; Lawyer. M.P. WILTSHIRE 1442.

S. of Nicholas and g.s. and h. of John Lye of Flamerston;⁴ m. Jane, da. of John Neuburgh and coh. to her mother, Enid, da. and h. of Robert Attemore.⁵

Sworn to the peace in Wilts., 1434; pardoned 1437;⁴ on Wilts. comns. 1442 to 1450; pardoned again 22 June 1446; elector, Wilts., 1437, 1447, 1449 (1), 1450; J.P. Wilts., of the quorum, 17 Mar. 1447 till death; served against the "commons" in Wilts., Sept. 1450.

D. 24 Sept. 1452, when John, aged 10, was his s. and h.; lands—Wilts. and Dorset. The wardship of his s. and h. was granted to John Penycok (*q.v.*) for £100.

LYE, (Sir) JOHN (1442-1522); of Flamerston, Wilts. Of the Household 1473-83. M.P. Westbury 1478.

S. and h. of John Lye of the same M.P. (1407-52), by Jane (Newburgh); m. Agnes sis. and h. of William Flakett of Godshill, I.O.W.; their son Henry *d. v.p.*

The custody and marriage of this John was granted in Jan. 1453 to John Pennycook (*q.v.*). Wilts. elector, when elected, 1478; sheriff, Wilts., 1491-2; comnr. of subsidy for Isle of Wight 1496;⁶ kntd., as of Wilts., 1501;⁷ pardoned, 1509/10, as of Isle of Wight, *alias* of Flamberston, Wilts., *alias* of London, knt.⁸

D. 1522;⁹ when Mary (38) widow of William Lang, da. and h. of Henry Lye s. and h. of Sir John, was his heiress. Will, of John Lye knt., dat. 7 Nov. 1522, pr. 16 Feb. 1523.¹⁰ Recently of Flambston, Wilts., knt. To be bur. in par. ch. of Godyshill; bequests to das. Anne Worsley, Agnes Cowdray and Isabel Lye, a nun at Wilton, 40s. To servant Elizabeth Walter 40s. and meat and drink for a year. Residue to wife Agnes, and she sole Exix. Overseer, Mr. James Wolsley.¹⁰

LYELL see LISLE.

LYFFELOD see LEVELORD.

LYGH see LEE.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 60/142.

² *Tropenell Cartulary*, ii. pp. 63, 73.

³ Proof of age 7 Hen. VI.

⁴ *Pardon Roll*, 19 July 1437, as s. and h. of Nicholas Lye, *alias* of Flambardeston, Wilts., gent. (m.10).

⁵ *Ex inf.* Storey Maskelyne.

⁶ Rot. Parl. vi. 517.

⁷ Shaw, *Knights*, i. 146.

⁸ *Cal. Let. & Pap., Hen. VIII*, i. 438 (4 m.18).

⁹ The date of his death is wrongly given as 29 Feb. 1524, in the Dorset Inq. *p.m.*

¹⁰ P.C.C., 18 Bodfelde.

LYGON, THOMAS (1435-1507); of Great Malvern and Madresfield. Lawyer.

M.P. WORCESTERSHIRE 1467-8, (? 1470-1), 1472-5, (and ? 1483 Jan.).

Second s. of Thomas Lygon of Redmarley, by Jane da. and h. of William Bracy of Madresfield, and h. to his elder bro. in 1483; *m.* Anne Gifford, and had Richard, John, Jane.

He occurs in the family settlements of 1456 and 1460. J.P. Worcs., of the quorum, 8 July 1461 till death; comns., Worcs., 1461 onwards, excluding the Readeption but including all those of Richard III; apportioner of subsidy in Worcestershire, 1463;¹ exör. of will of Thomas Paget (*q.v.*) in 1464; pardoned 18 Nov. 1468, "of Worcester gent., *alias* late of Great Malvern, late of Slydon" (m.15). In 1470 his own lands of Hightington, Worcs., and Wolferlow, Heref., were settled on himself and his wife, Anne Gifford, and heirs with remainder to his bastard son William Lygon (J.P. Worcestershire)—this was presumably on his marriage.² Pardoned, 10 June 1472, "of Worcester, gent., *alias* late of Great Malvern" (m.28). When the King's army went to France in 1475, Lygon was made one of Clarence's feoffees. Under-sheriff, Worcs., 1476-8; eschr., Worcs., 1479-84, being pardoned arrears in 1488. Succeeded to Madresfield 1483, and endowed a chantry 1484; pardoned 1484 "late of Madresfield, esq., *alias* eschr., sheriff, J.P."; and 10 Dec. 1487, "late of Madresfield, esq., *alias* one of the feoffees of John Peyto, esq." (m.25). His last comn. was the one on the subsidy apptd. by the 1504 Parlt.

D. 10 Apr. 1507, when Richard, aged 30, was his s. and h. Will, dat. 16 Sept. 1506, pr. 27 Apr. 1507. To be bur. where he dies. 40s. to s. John; bequest to da. Jane, wife of Thomas Salewey. Exors.:—s. and h. Richard, Anne w. of said Richard, John White, rector of Cromhall, Glos.³ This is certainly not the will of a rich man, but from him descend the present Earls Beauchamp and Lord Elmley M.P., still at Madresfield.

LY.... see LI....

LYNE see LINDE.

LYTE see LUTE.

LYTFOT see LIGHTFOOT.

LYTTON, Sir ROBERT (1445-1505); of Stanwell, Mdsx., and Knebworth, Herts. Of the Exchq. 1470-1505; P.C.; Under-Treasurer of England 1487-94; Keeper of the Great Wardrobe 1492-1505; Treasurer at War 1501-2. M.P. (somewhere — ? a Wiltshire boro— ? 1485-6, 1487, 1489-90); Ludgershall 1491-2; HERTFORDSHIRE 1495, (? 1497, 1504).

Probably from Derbyshire,⁴ where a Robert Lytton was elector 1447 and 1460; *m.* Elizabeth (*d.* 1542), widow of Thomas Windsor M.P. (*d.* 1485), and da. of John Andrews M.P. (1415-75). Sons, William and Thomas.

A clerk in the Exchequer 1470/1,⁴ when he acted as manucaptor there for John Fitzherbert of Derbyshire, one of the tellers of the Exchequer. Clerk of the issues of the Exchq., 1478-9.⁵ With John Stable he had the custody of Orpington, Kent,

¹ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

² *Madresfield Muniments*, 1929.

³ P.C.C., 22 Adeane.

⁴ Robert Litton and Robert Fenne, clerks in the Exchq., were manucaptors for William Knyvet and John Fitzherbert for the waste of Holyhurst, Tyknaile and Princesfee, Derbys. (Fine Roll, 49 Hen. VI).

⁵ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

6 Aug. 1484; licence to acquire house room in Smithfield, Sept. 1485.¹ By 22 July 1487 he was "our counsellor" and "under treasurer of England", when ordered to pay £12 to Sir Charles Somerset.² Dinham, Hody, Bray (*qq.v.*) and Lytton were to oversee the 1487 Act of Resumption;³ to expend 100 marks pension on keeping Lady Zouch and her poor children, Mar. 1488.⁴ On subsidy comn. Jan. 1488, and on other comns. for Mdsx. and gaol delivery at Windsor, Westminster and Hertford, 1488–1505. As Under Treasurer of England, he was issued with livery, 1489;⁵ by the same style and title he had licence to ship wool, Feb. 1489. He had custody of Kennington, Surrey, 24 Oct. 1489.⁶ In Sept. 1490 this Under Treasurer of England was ordered to issue compensation for the pillage of certain Danish ships.⁶

Lytton bought the reversion of Knebworth, and probably settled himself there, 1491;⁷ made Keeper of the Great Wardrobe, 1493, and accounts therefore 1493–6,⁸ but he was still called Under Treasurer in Dec. 1494, when joined with Andrew Windsor in a grant of the wardship of Pole's lands.⁹ He is continually bracketted with Dinham, Bray and Windsor (*qq.v.*); kntd. at the creation of the Duke of York, 1 Nov. 1494; J.P. Mdsx., of the quorum, 1487 till death; J.P. Herts., 28 Dec. 1497 till death. He accounts as Treasurer of the War 1501–2;¹⁰ present at the Council, 26 Nov. 1503; one of those apptd. by Parlt. to supervise collrs. of subsidy in Herts. in 1504.¹¹

D. 11 Apr./3 June 1505;¹² will, dat. 11 Apr., pr. 26 July 1505. To be bur. in ch. of the Friars next Ludgate. Bequests to poor at Stanwell and Knebworth; to "my most entierly beloved wife dame Elizabeth"; to s. Thomas; to das. Awdrey and Agnes Catesby and Margaret Devenysshe; to son Antony Wyndesor; to bro. Sir Christopher Lytton clerk; to John Catesby of Olthorp. Exors. — Dame Elizabeth and son William Lytton. Supervisors—my right trusty frendes, Edmund Dudley esq. and Andrew Wyndesor esq.¹³ Andrew Windsor, his stepson, succeeded him at the Wardrobe.¹⁴

MAILAR, HENRY. M.P. Coventry 1495.
Undiscovered.

MALBON see ALBON.

MALET (MALETTE), WILLIAM (1420–80); of Normanton, Yorks., gent.
M.P. WESTMORLAND 1449–50.

Possibly the eschr., in Lincs., 1446/7, for there is no such man to be found in

¹ Campbell, *Materials*, i. pp. 193, 159.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1488), 230.

³ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 286.

⁴ *ibid.* ii. 500.

⁵ Palmer's Index to the Fine Rolls.

⁶ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 509. ⁷ *V.C.H. Herts.* iii. 115. ⁸ *Exchq. Accts.* 413/12, 413/15.

⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1494), 10.

¹⁰ *Exchq. Accts.* 55/22.

¹¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 536.

¹² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1505), 420.

¹³ P.C.C., 35 Holgrave.

¹⁴ All the grants, all the references to him while alive, refer to him as "Under Treasurer of England" and "Keeper of the Great Wardrobe." How little the style and title of the Exchequer had become crystallized, how varied were the duties of these offices, may be seen from the pardon and release to his exors. wherein they describe him as—Teller of the Exchr., Under Treasurer of the Exchq., Remembrancer of the Treasury of the Exchq., Keeper of the Gt. Wardrobe, Justice of the Peace, Treasurer of War in the army against Scotland, Receiver of all roths and 15ths and subsidies and aids lately granted for the army, one of the King's Counsellors, Receiver of Benevolences, Receiver of fees for the Keeper of the Privy Seal (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1506), pp. 453, 467).

Westd., nor can he be a Malet of Enmore, Som., nor of Mallock, Devon. There are, however, three Pardon Rolls which must indicate the M.P. 12 Sept. 1455, William Malett, *alias* Malot "of Normanton, gent." (m.19); 24 June 1462, William Malet "of Normanton, Yorks., gent." (m.23); and a pardon in the same words, dat. 1 July 1470 (m.2). The will of Sir John Pilkington (*q.v.*), dat. 1478, mentions his servt. William Malet, possibly a son. The sheriff who returned him was John Dacre.

MALLING (MALLYNG), JOHN; of Leominster. M.P. Leominster 1447.

We only know that he was a burgess and elector of Leominster in 1450.

MALMAYN, JOHN (1450-1500); of Hythe. M.P. Hythe 1491-2.

Bailiff of Hythe, apptd. by the archbp. of Canterbury, 1487-99.¹ On comns. overseeing the wafters of the Cinque Ports, 1488-92.

MALORY, Sir THOMAS (1410-71); of Newbold Revel and Monk's Kirby, Warw. Soldier, and author of the "Morte d'Arthur." M.P. WARWICKSHIRE 1445-6;² probably also Bedwin 1449-50, and Wareham 1450-1.³ Lancastrian.

S. of John Mallory by Alice, da. and h. of John Revel of Newbold Revel; m. Elizabeth (*d.* 1480), when the custody of the lands of Nicholas, s. of Robert, s. of Sir Thomas and Elizabeth Malory, and the marriage of the said Nicholas, were granted to Margaret Kelem.

He served in France under Richard Beauchamp, earl of Warwick, *c.* 1430; kntd. by 1442;⁴ never sheriff or J.P. In 1445/50 Catherine, wife of Sir William Peyto and sometime wife of Thomas Stafford, sued Sir Thomas Malory of Fenny Newbold (Newbold Revel) *re* sureties for the peace towards John Dorset, petitioner's bailiff of the manor of Sibbertoft, N'hants.⁵ On 4 Jan. 1451 he had (so they said) laid an ambush to slay Buckingham; the jurors, sitting under Buckingham's eye, found a true bill on this and other counts, and he was committed to the King's Bench.⁶ But he was free, 13 July 1451, when Buckingham and Warwick were ordered to *subpoena* him and his servant John Appleby (*q.v.*) to do no hurt to Axholme Priory and to appear before the Council at Michaelmas.⁷ He broke out of prison, and attacked Coombe Abbey.⁶ Great Bedwin borough was controlled by Buckingham, Wareham by the duke of York. If, as we suppose, Malory sat for Bedwin 1449-50 and for Wareham 1450-1, some strange story must lie behind the autumn and winter of 1450.⁸ In May 1453 he was to be arrested again to answer further charges before the Council. Pardoned by the Yorkists 1455, "of Fenny Newbold, knt." (m.15); and again after the Yorkist accession, Oct. 1462 (m.14).

¹ *Ex inf.* Town Clerk from Hythe records.

² Fine Roll, 23 Hen. VI (m.10).

³ The Thomas Malory who was M.P. for Bedwin and Wareham is not called "Knight" (or anything) in the returns, and Sir Thomas does not seem to have any connection with either Wilts. or Dorset. But there is no one of the name in those parts. A Sir Thomas Malory was elector in N'hants., 1442. This is before the *Dict. Nat. Biog.* makes Sir Thomas Malory of Warwickshire a knight. If Malory served under Warwick in France, it seems not improbable that he was a knight long before 1445.

⁴ *Dict. Nat. Biog.* says 1445, but see note 3.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 15/78.

⁶ G. M. Young of Oare, citing a Treatise by Mr. E. Hicks of the U.S.A.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1451), 476.

⁸ The strange story has of course nothing to do with the lines of A. Clerihew Bentley:—

"Sir Thomas a Malory
Sits in the gallery.
He said, not without nous,
It was the best place in the House."

It is Sir Thomas Malory of Newbold Revel (6 miles N.W. of Rugby) who has been identified as the writer of "Morte d'Arthur".¹ He finished his book, perhaps in prison,² 9 Edward IV (1469-70). A pardon among the muniments of Wells cathedral (by Letters Patent of 1 Dec. 1468 but undiscovered on the Patent Rolls), excepts from the general pardon—Humphrey Nevill, knt., Thomas Malarie knt. Hugh Mulle of London, gent. (*q.v.*), Gervase Clyfton of London knt. (*q.v.*) and others (chiefly Welsh, and including the defenders of Harlech Castle).³ Malory, Mille and Clifton were then all three probably in prison. Malory may well have been one of the rebels in Harlech, surrendered to Herbert 14 Aug. 1468; and this might account for Bale's statement that Malory was a Welshman. He must in any case have been freed by the Readeption, but died 12 Mar. 1471, when Robert, aged 23, was his s. and h.; buried in the Greyfriars, Newgate, London, M.I.⁴

The Thomas Malory of Papworth, Cambs., whose will was dat. Sept., pr. Oct. 1469, was no knight and cannot be the man; nor the Sir Thomas Mallory of Kirkby Mallory, Leics. (Nichols, *Leicestershire*, iv. 761).

MALPAS, DAVID (1440-97); of Pickworth, Rutland. Yeoman of the Crown 1461-75. M.P. Stamford 1489-90.

Perhaps s. of John Malpas of Cheshire;⁵ *m.* by 1478 Agnes widow of John Heron of Sawbridgeworth, Herts.

He was made yeoman of the Crown with 6*d.* a day out of Salop, as from 12 Aug. 1461;⁶ which grant was exempted from Resumption 1464 and 1467.⁷ J.P. Rutland, 10 Nov. 1475 till death; sheriff 1476-7. With Agnes his wife he held Sawbridgeworth in 1478; again sheriff 1481-2; on all the comns. of 1483-4 and down to 1488, including the subsidy comn. of Jan. 1488; took out a pardon, 25 Feb. 1484, with Agnes his wife, formerly wife of John Heron, tenant of Sawbridgeworth; alderman, *i.e.* mayor, of Stamford, 1484.⁸ Sheriff, Rutland, 1487-8; he was granted the custody of Holywell, Lincs., and Stretton, Rutland, 1490.⁹

¹ *Athenaeum*, 11-18 July 1896.

² Malory concludes his text with the words:—" . . . pray for me while I am on live that God send me good deliverance, and when I am dead I pray you all pray for my soul." This has been taken to mean "deliverance" from prison. It may better mean from this prison of my body.

³ Letters Patent of Edward IV; pardon and release to William Wytham, dean of Wells, and chapter, otherwise Dean and Chapter of Wells, for all offences against statute of liveries of cloth and hats to 15 Apr. last; also general pardon (not to include any customer, nor Humphrey Nevill, knt., Thomas Malarie, kt., Robert Marshall of Culneham, Oxon, esq., Hugh Mulle of London, gent., Gervase Clifton of London, kt., William Verdon of London, scrivener, Peter House of London, esq., Morgan ap Thomas ap Griffith of Kermerdyn, gent., Henry ap Thomas ap Griffith of the same, gent., Owen ap Griffith ap Nicholas of co. Kermerdyn, esq., Maurice ap Owen ap Griffith of the same, gent., Thomas Philipp of Rye, Glos., yeoman, nor any attainted of high treason, nor Henry VI, Margaret his wife, Edward his son, nor those with them beyond the realm, nor rebels keeping castle or town of Harde-laugh (Harlech) in Nth. Wales, nor accounts of certain officials. Westm., 1 Dec. 8 Ed. IV) (Cal. of MSS. of Dean and Chapter of Wells, *Hist. MSS. Com.*, 1907, Vol. i. p. 407).

⁴ The inscription, for which we are indebted to Oswald Baron, F.S.A., ran as follows:—" *In capella Sancta Francisci, sub 2a parte fenestre 4e sub lapidi jacet Thomas Mallere valens miles qui obiit 14 die mensis Marcii a^o dni 1470 de parochia de Monkenkyrby in com Warwic.*" (see M. S. Cotton: Vitellius F. ix).

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1462), 77.

⁸ Drakard, *Hist. of Stamford*, 100.

⁵ *Visitn. Cheshire*, 161.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. pp. 537, 594.

⁹ Palmer's Index to the Fine Rolls.

D. 6 Sept. 1497, seised of Pickworth, which he held with remainder to Sir William Hussey,¹ who died 1495, being succeeded by Sir John Hussey.

MALPAS, PHILIP (1395-1469); ald. of London; draper. M.P. London 1432, 1442.

M. Juliana da. and h. of John Bemond,² by whom he had Elizabeth (m. Sir Thomas Cook, *q.v.*) and Philippa (m. Sir Ralph Joscelyn, *q.v.*).

Juror, London, 1428;³ elector 1433, 1435, 1437. The 1436 Subsidy Roll gives his lands, etc., as £70 a year; auditor, 1431-3; sheriff, 1439-40; leader of conflict between the city and the dean of St. Martins over the matter of sanctuary at St. Martins-le-Grand, 1440;⁴ a feoffee for the duke of Buckingham, 1447; elector, London, 1447 and 1449 (2); alderman (on Henry VI's recommendation), 1 Apr. 1448 till dismissed in 1450;⁵ his house, the Green Gate in Cornhill, was the first to be sacked by Cade's rioters, they having previously induced the Common Council to petition for his dismissal from the aldermanry, 1450;⁶ took little part in London govt. between 1450 and 1460, but he must have been a trusted member of the Common Council as he was given in 1453 one of the treasure chest keys.⁷ When Queen Margaret was about to enter the City after her victory at St. Albans, Malpas and Sir Thomas Vaughan (*q.v.*), with what Royal treasure they could collect, took ship for Flanders, but were captured by French pirates, who took their hoard and held them to ransom for at least 12 months.⁸

D., 1469; will, dat. 26 Apr., pr. 8 May 1469.⁹

MALTRAVERS see GAY.

MANFIELD (MANFELD), ROBERT (1400-59); of Taplow esq. Rod-bearer 1438-50; Keeper of the Lions 1436-59; Master of the Mint 1445-50; Squire of the Body 1450-9. M.P. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 1439-40, 1442, 1453-4. Lancastrian.

Probably s. of Sir Robert Manfield, *d. c.* 1420 and bur. at Taplow.¹⁰ M. (1) Catherine, dead by 1453.¹¹

¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 207.

² Pardon Roll, 24 June 1446, m.45; wherein Malpas is described as "of London, merchant, citizen and draper."

³ *Letter Book K*, 71.

⁴ *ibid.* 243-6.

⁵ Jor. 5, fos. 38d, 40.

⁶ Beaven, *Aldermen*, ii. 164; C. L. Kingsford, *Prejudice & Promise*, 115.

⁷ Jor. 5, fo. 130.

⁸ Kingsford, *Chron.*, 174. He was back by Feb. 1462, as he appears on the Pardon Roll (20 Feb. 1462, m.40).

⁹ P.C.C., 27 Godyn. To be bur. in St. Andrew's, Cornhill (of which ch. he was a parishioner); bequests to churches, and to mend the highway, most needful, outside Bishopsgate. Mentions late wife Julian, da. Philippe late wife of Sir Rauf Josselyn, da. Elizabeth wife of Sir Thomas Cooke, sis. Jane wife of James Smyth fishmonger. Says he was not the cause, as was said by Thomas Cooke, of the "taryng and taking" of the goods of Thomas in the ship in which Malpas last "passed over the see." To Thomas Cooke and Elizabeth all "my grete place which I dwell in" in Cornhill and Lymestrete, etc., in Southwark; and the Cok in Cornhill to John Foster and his w. Jane, Cooke's da.; Chaldewell, Essex, etc., to Sir Rauf Josselyn. Exors. :—Rauf Josselyn and Thos. Fermory.

¹⁰ Among the tombstones from the old demolished church at Taplow was one of Robert Manfield, knt., who died at the end of Henry V's reign, and another to Richard, who died Apr. 1465, aged 19 years, s. and h. of Robert Manfield esq. and Catherine his wife. The tombstone mentioned also Isabel, his sis., and John his half-bro. by Robert's second wife (Lipscomb, *Bucks.* iii. 300-1).

¹¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1453), 113.

Henry V granted him, as King's servant of the buttery, a 6½ marks pension, 13 Apr. 1416; in 1430 Robert Manfelde of Yorks., David Michell of Sussex, "clerks", and a citizen of London were bound in £10.¹ Our Manfield was Marshal of the Hall by Apr. 1431, when granted the custody of Sheen; keeper of the waters of Humber, Ouse, etc., 1432; and keeper of the Lions in the Tower, 1436;² J.P. Bucks., 12 Dec. 1435 to 17 Mar. 1447, 30 Oct. 1449 till death; sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1436-7; and on Bucks. comms. very frequently from 1435 to 1457; receiver of Chirkesland, Heref., 1437-9. On 27 July 1438, he and William Pope were granted the office of Bearer of the Rod of the Garter in Windsor Castle, with 12*d.* a day each. In the following years he seems to have been as richly endowed as any of his contemporaries. In 1440, as King's esquire, he had a grant to himself and heirs of free warren in his manors of Taplow, Hitcham and Hedsor, Bucks.;³ with his wife Katharine, a yearly pipe of Gascon wine; and Kennington to farm at a rent of 20*d.* In Dec. 1441 Robert Manfield, Usher of the Chamber, was joined by Richard his son, as Keeper of the Lions. He was sent frequently to Calais, and he accounts as victualler there from 1442 to 1452. Nevertheless, he sat in Parlt. for Bucks. in 1442, was sent to Ireland in May 1444, and on 25 Oct. 1445 he was appointed Master of the Mint. As Usher of the Chamber he was present at the coronation of Queen Margaret in 1445 and, like all other pluralists, he obtained repeated exemptions from office without such exemptions having any effect upon his multitudinous activities.

In Feb. 1447, when the Duke of Gloucester died, Manfield was made Steward of Colchester Castle. His friend John Hampton was Constable of that castle. Both were among the favourites indicted by Jack Cade at Rochester in Aug. 1450, and, when Jack Cade fell, Manfield was made deputy Butler of Sandwich, 11 Dec. 1450. William Pope had died in 1447 and Manfield was now sole Bearer of the Rod as well as Squire of the Body; but the 1449-50 Parlt. cut off all his emoluments save the grant to him and son as Keepers of the Lions.⁴ He was still victualler of Calais, and in July 1451 he had a grant of £400 for its defence. He was ever closely connected with John Hampton (*q.v.*), the Master of the Ordnance, another favourite of the time.

D. shortly before 7 Apr. 1459, when his writ *diem clausit* was sent to the eschrs. of Berks., Bucks., and Mdsx.⁵ A new Bearer or Verger of St. George's was apptd. *vice* Manfield deceased.⁶

MANNERS, (Sir) GEORGE (1470-1513); of Etal, Nhd., and East Compton, Surrey. Knt. of the Body 1509-12 (lord Roos, 1512). M.P. NORTHUMBERLAND 1495. Sumnd. 1512.

S. and h. of Sir Robert Manners of Etal (*d. c.* 1488), by Eleanor (*d.* 1487, aged 38), the only child who left issue of Thomas, 10th lord Roos; *m.* Anne da. and h. of Sir Thomas St. Leger (*q.v.*) by Anne of Exeter, sister of Edward IV.⁷ Ancestor of the dukes of Rutland.

¹ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1430), 44.

² He was paid 6*d.* a day for each lion and 6*d.* wage for himself.

³ *Cal. Charter Rolls* (1440), p. 7.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* v. 191.

⁵ Fine Roll, 37 Hen. VI (m.26).

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1459), 484.

⁷ Pardon Roll, 10 July 1509, s. and h. of Robert Manners late of Edall and Anne his w. da. and h. of Thomas St. Leger knt. (m.15).

Entered Lincoln's Inn, 12 May 1490;¹ knth. in Scotland by Earl of Surrey, 30 Sept. 1497; at Court—at the meeting with the archduke Philip 1500, at the reception of Catherine 1501,² at the funeral of Henry VII. He held East Compton by 1505, when put on a Sussex comn.; comnr. *oyer et terminer*, Surrey, Dec. 1505; pardoned as of East Compton and Etal, 10 July 1509; made knt. of the body and granted 700 marks during the life of Sir Thomas Lovell,³ 10 Dec. 1509;⁴ nominated by Lord Herbert for the Garter, but not chosen, 27 Apr. 1510;⁵ J.P. Surrey, 22 Mar. 1512 till death; comnr. at S'hampton, May 1512; warrant issued for his summons to Parlt. by name of George Maners knt., lord Rose, 21 Nov. 1512.⁶ D., while on the King's expedition in France, 27 Oct. 1513.⁷

MANNERS, ROBERT (1408-61); of Etal. M.P. NORTHUMBERLAND 1460-1, called "senior, esq." Yorkist.

S. and h. of John Manners of same, M.P. (*d.* 1438) by Agnes da. of John Middleton; *m.* Janet da. of Sir Robert Ogle.

J.P. Northhamshire 1438 onwards; in 1449 a grant was made to him and Sir Henry Percy, as reward for good services on the marches towards Scotland, of the forfeited goods of Sir Robert Ogle outlaw.⁸ This was a family arrangement for Sir Robert Ogle was his wife's nephew.⁹ Elector, Nhd., 1447, 1453; sheriff, 1454-5; on comns. 1454 and Nov. 1461. On 9 June 1455 the Council, then Yorkist, wrote to Sir John Heron of Ford and Robert Manners thanking them for their defence of Berwick.¹⁰ Pardoned 3 Nov. 1455, "of Etal esq." Keeper of the truce with Scotland, 1457.

D. between 13 Nov. 1461 and 3 Feb. 1462; succeeded by his s. Robert, father of Sir George Manners M.P. (1470-1513). Jane his widow was granted a £13 pension out of the forfeited Percy lands on 3 Feb. 1462.

MANSELL (MAUNSELL), JOHN, junior (1420-72); of Mansell and North Petherton, Som., gent. M.P. Bridgwater 1449 (1),¹¹ 1453-4.¹²

Probably yr. bro. of John Mansell, senr. (died c. 1465), having been controller of customs in Poole in 1455.

John Mansell junior can only be distinguished later; with Margaret his wife he sold property in Dulverton, Som., in 1470; and in 1472 the Pardon Roll includes John Maunsell "of Maunsell, Som., esq., *alias* of North Pederton, Som., gent." (m.38).

D. shortly before 5 Feb. 1472, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Somerset.¹³

MANSELL (MAUNCEL), THOMAS (1430-80); of Bristol and London, esq. King's servant. M.P. Wycombe 1467-8.

Perhaps g.s. of John Maunsell of Missenden, Bucks. (*d.* 1423).¹³

The King's servant Thomas Mansel was made receiver of crown lands in Wilts.,

¹ *Admission Regr.* 25.

² Gairdner, *L. & P.*, i. 410; ii. 88.

³ Lovell (*q.v.*) had *m.* Isabel Roos, another of the coheirresses, probably then dead.

⁴ *L. & P. Hen. VIII.* i. 289 (22).

⁵ *ibid.* 442.

⁶ *ibid.* 1494 (45).

⁷ G.E.C., *Comp. Peer.*, N-R, p. 403.

⁸ *Northumberland Co. Hist.* xi. pp. 444, 450.

⁹ H. A. Ogle, *Ogle and Bothal*, p. 45.

¹⁰ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 248.

¹¹ Called "junior" on both returns.

¹² Fine Roll, 11 Edw. IV (m.22).

¹³ *Inq. p.m.*, 2 Hen. VI.

Mar. 1461; fitted out the *Trinity* of Minehead for the King's fleet, Sept. 1461; one of the six receivers and approvers of King's rents—he to cover 4 S.W. counties—1462; pardoned, 10 May 1463, "of London, gent., *alias* of Bristol, esq., *alias* late eschr. in Somerset and Dorset," but actually eschr. 1463-4. In July 1463 made controller of subsidy etc. in port of London. It is probable that he was the Thomas Mauntell esq. who was paid for one man at arms and four archers in the army going to France in July 1475.¹

MANSTON, ROBERT; cadet of Whitkirk, Yorks. M.P. Appleby 1450-1.

Yr. s. of Alexander Manston esq. of Whitkirk, Yorks., *d.* 1439. A little known family, related to Chief Justice Gascoigne, who was possibly uncle of this Robert.²

MAPURLEY, JOHN (1430-96); of Nottingham, gent. M.P. Nottingham boro' 1478.

Perhaps g.s of Thomas Mapperley M.P. Nottingham 1413.

Sheriff of Nottingham town 1462-3; elector of the boro' 1447, 1467, 1472; chamberlain 1466-7; J.P. 1468 onwards; mayor 1473-4, 1481-2.³ He paid 28s. 9d. towards the 10th subsidy of 1473. His long dispute with the corpn. over the ownership of the close called "cornerwong" lasted 1483-5; and it may be for this that he had copies made of Littleton on "the new Tenure" for 22s. 6d.⁴ In 1484 John Mapurley, gent., granted land in Stanford, Notts., to Robert Fairman.⁵

D. shortly before 20 Mar. 1496, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Notts.⁶

MARCH, WILLIAM (1432-90); of Lynn, wax chandler. M.P. Lynn 1478, 1483 Jan., 1484.

Admtd. freeman 1453/4.⁷ He sued Simon Baxter, mayor of Lynn, for his imprisonment for delivering a writ of *sub-poena*; and he sued also the keeper of the gaol at Lynn, 1460/5.⁸ Churchwarden at St. Margaret's, Lynn, 1473; mayor 1480, 1481.⁹ As merchant of Lynn he sued in 1483 for certain tenements there, sold to him in 1482.¹⁰ Pardoned, 1 Feb. 1486, as merchant of Lynn, *alias* of London (m.6).

MARCHANT, ROBERT; of Rye.¹¹ M.P. Rye 1445-6.

MARE, (Sir) THOMAS DE LA (1420-90); of Aldermaston and Sparsholt, Berks. Servant to the Stafford house. M.P. BERKSHIRE (? 1470-1), 1472-5. Lancastrian.

G.s. and h. of Robert de la Mare M.P. (*d.* 1431), and s. of Richard de la Mare by Alice;¹² *m.* Elizabeth (*d.* 1494) and had John who predeceased him.

The custody and marriage of Thomas and of his sisters Isabel and Margaret was granted in 1431 to Richard Melbourne (*q.v.*); Aldermaston was settled on

¹ *Foedera*, V. iii. p. 58. ² *Test. Ebor.* ii. p. 73. ³ Stevenson, *Rec. Nottingham*, ii. 431.

⁴ *ibid.* ii. 340.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 398.

⁶ Fine Rolls, 11 Hen. VII (m.3).

⁷ Lynn Hall Books.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/154, 27/156.

⁹ L'Estrange, *Norfolk Official Lists*, 192.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 62/109.

¹¹ L. A. Vidler, *Rye*, 21.

¹² Sir John Barre's chaplain was to pray for souls of Thomas s. of Richard de la Mare and Alice his w., mother of Sir John Barre (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1474), 425).

his marriage in 1449; admtd. Lincoln's Inn, 1457, and to all repasts when Lord or Lady Buckingham, or the Earl of Stafford, or Henry Stafford should be in London or Westminster.¹ On Berks. comns. 1452 to 1460, including the array of Dec. 1459; J.P. Berks., 9 Jan. 1454 to 20 Nov. 1458; pardoned 10 Jan. 1459;² sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 1459-60. When the Earls arrived in London he took refuge in the Tower with Scales and Hungerford, and was taken prisoner by Wenlock (*q.v.*).³ Pardoned with other Lancastrian officials, 6 Feb. 1462;⁴ an apportioner of subsidy in Berks., 1463;⁵ sheriff, Wilts., 1465-6; J.P. Berks., 11 Dec. 1459 to 1471 (removed after the Readeption); pardoned, 10 Feb. 1472;⁶ M.P. Sept. 1472 and probably 1470 as servt. to Sir Henry Stafford and the Lady Margaret; settled Aldermaston, presumably on his son's marriage, 1473; kntd. 1473/5; sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 1475-6; on Berks. comns. 1475 to 1 Aug. 1483; elector, Berks., 1478; sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 1480-1. He rose against Richard III, a leader in the Duke of Buckingham's rising in Berks.; attainted 1484;⁷ attainder reversed 1485.⁸

D. 1490.⁹ His g.s. Thomas (s. of John, s. of Sir Thomas) *d.* 1493, leaving his sisters, Elizabeth (17) w. of George Forster, and Frideswide (14) his coh. When Elizabeth the widow *d.* in 1494 only Elizabeth w. of George Forster survived.¹⁰

MARKES, RICHARD (1435-95); of Colchester. M.P. Colchester 1478.

Perhaps s. of Richard Markes, an Essex elector in 1447.

The chantry founded at St. Paul's by Thomas Kemp, archbp. of Canterbury, 10 Feb. 1460, was endowed with some land at Grays, Essex, formerly of Richard Markes. The Colchester M.P. was bailiff of that town 1471, 1479, 1486, 1493;¹¹ manucaptor for the Colchester M.P.s, 1472; a comnr. of Thames sewers 1480 to July 1483; alderman of the north ward of Colchester 1489.¹²

MARKHAM (MARCHAM), RICHARD (1450-1505); of Hastings, gent.

M.P. Winchelsea 1491-2, 1497.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Markham, M.P. Hastings 1478.

Comn. to Thomas Markham and Richard Markham of Hastings, gent., to take wheat for the Household and for the army of the North, 15 Feb. 1481.

MARKHAM, Sir ROBERT (1435-95); of Markham and Cotham, Notts., and Risegate, Lincs. M.P. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1467-8, (? 1484), 1491-2.

¹ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, 32.

² Of Aldermaston, Berks., esq. (m.36).

³ Worcester, *Annales*, 772.

⁴ Late sheriff of Oxon. and Berks., esq., *alias* of Aldermaston, Berks. (m.39).

⁵ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

⁶ Of Aldermaston, esq., *alias* late sheriff of Oxon., Berks. and Wilts.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 246.

⁸ *ibid.* vi. 273.

⁹ Hugh Hope, administrator of the goods of Sir Thomas de la Mare, rendered the account to the Exchq., 5 Hen. VII (Davenport, *Sheriffs of Berks. and Oxon.*, p. 31). His *Inq. p.m.* was taken in Oct. 1492, see next note.

¹⁰ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 763; ii. No. 92.

¹¹ Rickword, *List of Mayors of Colchester*, 13, 14.

¹² Sir W. Gurney Benham, *Colchester Red Paper Book*, 104.

S. and h. of Sir Robert Markham of the same (1399-1446) by Elizabeth da. and h. of Nicholas Burden, and nephew therefore of Chief Justice Markham. *M.* (1) Jane da. and h. of Mary wife of Sir Giles Daubeney, which Mary was da. and coh. of Simon Leeke of Cotham, Notts.,¹ and (2) Alice by whom he had his s. and h. John, born c. 1455.

Pardoned with the Lancastrians, 26 Oct. 1455, as "esq. s. and h. of Robert Markham, knight, late of Great Markham, Notts., *alias* late of Lincoln" (m.24). Kntd. 27 June 1461; apportioner of the subsidy in Notts., 1463;² J.P. Notts., 6 Feb. 1462 to 3 May 1470, 16 Nov. 1470 to 1471, 16 Feb. 1472 till death. On Notts. comns. from July 1466 to 1495 including all the Readeption comns. and those of Richard III. In 1472 John Badsworth, rector of Laxton, left him in his will "a batelax with a patena of red velvet." Sheriff, Lincs., 1475-6; J.P. Holland, 21 Aug. 1471 to Nov. 1475; sheriff, Notts. and Derbys., 1479-80. Pardoned, 4 Mar. 1484, "of Cotom, Notts., *alias* of Gt. Markham, *alias* exor. of Sir John Markham" (C.J., d. 1479); and again, 4 Feb. 1485, "of Cotton, Notts., knight, with Thomas Palmer, clerk, and William Porter, exors. of will of Sir John Markham, knight" (m.1) and again 10 Feb. 1488, "of Coton, Notts., knight" (m.1).

D. 1 Sept. 1495, when John, aged 40, was s. and h. of Robert Markham knt. and Alice, late his wife. Lands—Notts.

MARKHAM, THOMAS (1420-81); of Hastings, merchant. Purveyor to the Household 1467-81. M.P. Hastings 1478.

He was paid £20, as "of Hastings", for conveying messengers to France;³ had a genl. pardon as "of Hastings, merchant", 1462; apptd. to purvey fish for the Household, July 1467, and each six months thereafter to Jan. 1480; on Sussex comns., 1468, 1476, to seize ships there and collect them at Minehead, Som., Apr. 1475. As King's servant he was granted all the King's profits from Winchelsea, Jan. 1474; ordered to examine and impress all ships sailing from London to Bristol, 6 Dec. 1474. He and John Copledyke were made joint bailiffs of Winchelsea, 8 May 1475, then a Crown appointment.

He was alive, 15 Feb. 1481, when ordered to take 1000 qrs. of wheat for the Household and the army; but dead by 27 Oct. 1481, when Sir John Elrington (*q.v.*), treasurer of the Household, was apptd. bailiff of Winchelsea in his place. He was *m.* in 1475/80 to Catherine da. of Thomas and Elizabeth Hertysorn,⁴ and Richard Markham, M.P. Winchelsea, may be his son.

MARLBOROUGH, JOHN; of Norwich and London, esq. King's servant. M.P. Norwich 1484.

He bought land in Bury St. Edmunds, 1475/85, from Sir Thomas Coke (*q.v.*);⁵ took out a pardon while M.P., 1484, as "of London, gent., *alias* of Norwich, esq." Never sheriff or mayor; but receiver of rebel lands in Norf., Suff., Essex and Herts. 1485—when he paid over to the King £1336 8s. *od.* For this work he was granted £20.⁶

¹ *Test. Ebor.* ii. 110 note.

³ Issue Roll, Mich. 2 Edw. IV.

⁵ *ibid.* 51/249, 53/32.

⁶ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 399.

² Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 53/47.

MARMION (MARMYON), Sir MANSER (1405-55/8); of Ringstone in Rippingale, Lincs. M.P. LINCOLNSHIRE 1447.

Said to be s. of John Marmion (*d.* 1415), buried at Sempringham;¹ *m.* Elizabeth da. and h. of John Wolf esq.;² succeeded by his son John, and g.s. another Manser.

Kntd. 1428/46, for Manser Marmion knt. appears on the Pardon Roll of 1446 (m.33). Sheriff of Lincs., 9 Nov. 1448 to 26 Feb. 1450, and fined several times for disregarding the King's briefs.³ £5 was owed to him in Leicester and London, Oct. 1456. His son John was pardoned 1458/9, as of "Ringesdon", Lincs. (m.32).

Sir Manser may, therefore, be supposed to have died 1455/8.

MARMION, WILLIAM (1460-1529); of Adwell, Oxon., and of Gloucester.

M.P. Gloucester boro' 1491-2.

Said to be descended from Geoffrey, 4th s. of Robert Marmion, justiciar in 1218;⁴ probably s. of William Marmion esq. of Henley on Thames;⁵ J.P. Oxon., of the quorum, 1453-74. *M.* Isabel, perhaps da. and h. of John Farley and heiress of Adwell.⁶

A feoffee of Broughton, Oxon., for Richard Genys who *d.* 1501. He died 9 Apr. 1529 "in the town of Gloucester", when Anthony, aged 40, was his s. and h.; his widow Isabel survived and continued to hold Adwell as of the Honour of Wallingford for 8*d.* a year.⁷

MARNEY, (Sir) HENRY, K.G. (1457-1523); of Layer Marney (lord Marney 1523). P.C. and Chanc. of the Duchy 1509-22; Lord Privy Seal 1522-3.

M.P. ESSEX 1491-2, 1497, 1504, (? 1510, 1512, 1515). Sumnd. 1523.

S. and h. of Sir John Marney of same (*d.* 1470/2), by Jane (*m.* 1454, *d.* 1479) da. of John Throckmorton of Fladbury M.P.; *m.* (1) Thomassine da. of Sir John Arundel of Lanherne, Corn., (2) by 1489 Elizabeth (Isabel)⁸ da. of Sir Nicholas Wyfold, mayor of London, by Margaret, wife in 1467 of Sir John Howard, afterwards Duke of Norfolk; succeeded by son Sir John.

His wardship and marriage was granted to Richard, duke of Gloucester, and sold by him to R(—) Tyrell and Thomas Green; of age 1478; a comnr. in Essex 1484; P.C. to Henry VII, 1485; sheriff, Essex and Herts., 1486-7, 1492-3; pardoned, 8 Feb. 1489, as "of Leyr-Marney, and Isabel his wife";⁸ J.P. Essex, 1490 till death; fought at Stoke, 1487, and at Blackheath, 1497; kntd., 31 Oct. 1494, at York's creation; subsidy comnr. for Essex, apptd. in Parlt., 1504. P.C. and Chancellor of the Duchy to Henry VIII, 1509; vice-Chamberlain and captain of the yeomen of the guard, 1509-23; constable of Castle Rising; warden of

¹ Gibbons, *Early Lincoln Wills*, p. 130.

² Hill, *Market Harborough*, p. 107.

³ Pipe Rolls of the Bishop of Winchester (P.R.O.).

⁴ Palmer, *Hist. of Family of Marmion*.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1471.

⁶ John Farley was seised of manor of advowson of Adwell, which on 1 July 1513 he granted to William Marmion and Isabel his wife (footnote 4).

⁷ Inq. *p.m.* 22 Hen. VIII, Vol. 51, No. 94.

⁸ Pardon Roll, 1489, Isabel is called "late wife (should be step-da.) of John Norreys esq." and they were pardoned as "tenants of Isabel's manor of Periton, Herts." (m.26). Margaret *m.* (1) Alderman Wyfold, (2) 1464 John Norris (*q.v.*), *d.* 1466, (3) 1467 Howard (*q.v.*), slain 1485.

Rochester castle; steward of the Duchy of Cornwall, and Master forester of Dartmoor—all from 1509; K.G., elected 23, installed 27, Apr. 1510. He held a command in the French war, 1513; was at the Field of the Cloth of Gold, 1520; obtained many of Buckingham's lands on his attainder; high steward of Sudbury, 1522; made Lord Privy Seal, 14 Feb. 1523; sumnd. to Parlt. as lord Marney, 9 Apr. 1523; died 24 May 1523.¹

Will, dat. 22 May, pr. 15 June 1523.²

MARROW (MAROWE), WILLIAM (1410-64); ald. of London, grocer. Justice for the Almayn Merchants, 1460-4. M.P. London 1447, 1450-1, 1460-1, 1463 till death.

Probably s. of William Marrow, smith (d. 1430), by Jane;³ m. (1) Isabel, (2) Catherine da. of Richard Rich,⁴ who survived him, and had issue,⁵ William, John, and Thomas, the lawyer and author of a treatise "On the Peace", and three das.⁶

Auditor of London 1444-6 (but found "guilty" of forestalling salt in 1445),⁶ and 1451-3; sheriff 1448-9; alderman of London, 28 Apr. 1449 to 1464; master of the grocers' company 1450-1, 1457-8, 1463-4; mayor of London 1455-6;⁷ one of a small city deputation which rode to Hertford to visit the Queen, 1455;⁸ pardoned, 7 Feb. 1459; led another deputation to the King in 1459 to assure him of the city's allegiance and safe custody;⁹ on a few London comms. of *oyer et terminer* down to 1460; and in Mar. 1460 he was made justice to the Almayn merchants in London to hear pleas at the *Guildhalla Teutonicorum*; on the deputation to the earls to tell them not to enter the City, June 1460;¹⁰ pardoned with the ex-officials, 11 Mar. 1462. The last mention of him in the letter books as being present in the court of aldermen is 21 Sept. 1464.

¹ *Comp. Peer.* viii. 523, where however it is not mentioned that he was M.P. 1491-2, and probably in every Parlt. 1485 to 1515. A recumbent effigy on his tomb is in Laver Marney Church.

² To be bur. at Laver Marney. Masses for his grandfather Sir William and Katherine his w., for his gt. grandfather Sir Robert and w., for his father Sir John and Dame Jane his w., for the souls of his own two wives Thomassine and Elizabeth. Thomas and other children mentioned. To have a tomb of marble with an image of black marble on it and images of his w. Thomassine to right and Elizabeth to left. Bequests to son-in-law, Lord Fitzwalter, Edward Bedingfield and Thomas B——, and their children. Residue to s. Sir John Marney, and he exor. with John Vyntenes, abbot of St. Osythe's (P.C.C., 9 Bodfelde).

³ Left s. William and da. Agnes; will, dat. 8 June, pr. Oct. 1430 (Miss B. H. Putnam, *Early Treatises on J.P.s.*).

⁴ Miss B. H. Putnam, *Early Treatises on Justices of the Peace*, pp. 117, 119, 120, 144 and notes thereto. Two of Marrow's das. m. knights—Sir Wm. Clopton and Sir Rob. Throckmorton.

⁵ In May 1466 "Dame" Catherine Marrow, widow, and others, were bound in £1,860 to deliver money and jewels into the chamber to the use of William, Thomas, Jane and Catherine, children of William Marrow, late alderman, the same being bequeathed to them by their father and accruing to them by the death of their sister Agnes. Robert Throckmorton (Frogmorton), who married the above Catherine, the da., came and acknowledged receipt of his wife's property (*Letter Book L.* 63).

⁶ *Letter Book K.* 312.

⁷ Beaven, *Aldermen of London*, ii. 10.

⁸ *Jor.* 5, fos. 264d, 265.

⁹ Sharp, *London & the Kingdom*, i. 296; *Jor.* 6, fo. 145.

¹⁰ *Jor.* 6, fo. 238.

D. 1464/5; will, dat. 8 Oct. 1464, pr. 15 May 1465.¹ There is no trace of a new writ being issued for the City. He inherited less than £5 a year and left at death over £3000.²

MARSHALL, JOHN (1420-87); ald. of York; stapler of Calais. M.P. York city 1467-8.

Thomas Marshall was M.P. Hull 1421.

M. Jane, da. of Richard Buckden, alderman.³

In 1430/43 he sued the mayor and bailiffs of Hedon in Holderness for imprisonment to prevent him appearing against William Fryston and John Burgh for the murder of his father Robert.⁴ Made free of York city, 1445.³ In 1450 John and William Marshall, merchants of the staple, had licence to ship from Hull; and in 1454 the exors. of William Girlington M.P. sued John Marshall, as sometime receiver to the late Cardinal Archbp. of York (Kemp).⁵ Chamberlain of York city, 1455;³ sheriff, 1457-8;³ pardoned, 26 Apr. 1464, "merchant of the staple of Calais, *alias* merchant of York", and again in 1472. Mayor, 1467 and 1480, and perhaps resigned his gown in 1484;³ elector, 1478.

D. 1487; will, dat. 28 May, pr. at York, 28 June 1487—merchant and alderman of York. To be bur. in the nave before the altar of St. Katherine, in the par. ch. of the B.V.M. in Castlegate.⁶

MARSHALL, JOHN (1430-99); of London, merchant and shipowner. M.P. London 1470-1, 1483 June.

Perhaps s. of Robert Marshall, elector of London 1442, 1447.

As mercer of London he was owed £4 by a chapman of Calne 1460, and he was owed money by his receiver in Somerset and Devon, 1468; he sent a ship to Bordeaux in 1470, and had letters of marque, Feb. 1471 while M.P.; pardoned, 7 Dec. 1471, "mercator of London, *alias* merchant, *alias* gent." He was trustee for Boleyn's son, William, and for Marrow's children 1466 (*qq.v.*);⁷ had the custody of the lands and heir of Richard Hatfield and stepchildren of William Hyde, Apr. 1472.⁸ The following autumn, on Parlt. meeting, he sued Hyde for a debt and

¹ William Marrow, cit., grocer, and ald. of London. To be bur. in St. Botolph's without Bishopsgate (where Wm. Marrow, smith, was buried). To ch. of St. Mary Hill of London, 5 marks, and 40s. for repairs thereto; money to be distributed among the poor, some in Essex. To sons William, John, and Thomas when of age, £400; to das. Johane, Kateryne, and Agnes 500 marks on their marriage; children to have rights of survivorship in respect of these legacies. "To Elen Otesdale my cosin" £5, and to each of her das. on marriage, 40s.; to Agnes my sis., £40, 10 marks for alms, and silver spoons, etc.; to Thomas Marwe, priest, 40s.; to John Marwe his bro. dwelling at Bristowe, 40s.; to Richard, his bro. dwelling at Dunstable, 40s.; to Thomas Marwe, mason, his bro., 40s.; to all children of my kindred of Breltes, 6s. 8d. each; various bequests of silver to sons and das. Exors. — Thomas Ursewyk (*q.v.*), recorder of London, Wm. Essex, of London, gent., John Styward of London, chaundeler (P.C.C., 9 Godyn). There is also a further will of the same date (P.C.C., 11 Godyn), disposing of his lands and tenements in London and suburbs, and at Poplar, and in Mdsx. (*Records of King Edward's School, Birmingham*, I. xxiv-xxvi).

² Dr. S. L. Thrupp, *Mercht. Class of London* (unpubd.), 173.

³ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 11/202.

⁵ *ibid.* 24/52.

⁶ York Wills, 5, 311.

⁷ *Letter Book L.* pp. 62, 63.

⁸ On 6 June 1470, in conjunction with William Hyde he was granted the keeping of manors, etc., which belonged to Margaret late wife of Richard Hatfield, decd., later wife of William Hyde, during the minority of her s. and h. Richard Hatfield (Fine Roll, 10 Edw. IV, m.1).

Hyde was committed to Newgate, but released on the petition of the Commons. In 1474 he founded a chantry at Ware; pardoned 28 Aug. 1479; one of those apptd. to assess the benevolence for Cheap Ward, Feb. 1481; elected 1483 to decide how some city profits should be expended;¹ pardoned, 20 Oct. 1484, "of London, citizen and mercer, *alias* gent., *alias* of Crayford, Kent" (m.5).

D. 14 Jan. 1499; though 4 times nominated he was never an alderman. Will, dat. 12 Jan., pr. in P.C.C. 9 Feb. 1499 (28 Horne).

MARTIN, HENRY (1450-1504/9); cadet of Athelhampton. M.P. Poole 1478.

Probably s. of Thomas Martin M.P. (1420-85) and yr. bro. of Sir William Martin of Athelhampton, Dorset, M.P. (1445-1504).

He was made porter of Corfe castle with fees, 7 Mar. 1478, while M.P.;² a surviving feoffee for Richard Turges whose inq. *p.m.* was held 1504.³ The Inquest on the death of Sir William Martin M.P., held 1504, mentions an annuity of 4 marks to be paid for life to Henry Martin from the manor of Athelhampton.⁴ As he is not on the 1509 pardon roll, he was probably then dead.

MARTIN, JOHN (*alias* DIRRYCOLE *alias* HUNT) (1395-1465); of Dorchester, draper. M.P. Dorchester 1432, 1450-1.

Bailiff of Dorchester 1420, 1425-6, 1431-2, 1445;⁵ occurs there as juror or witness 1423-47. In 1437 Robert Rempstone of Purbeck, Dorset, senior, granted to John Martin and Edith his wife and heirs of John two tenements in Dorchester.⁶ His wife's surname was Cresbien—for John St. Loo esq. farmer of Gillingham, Dorset, sued in 1452 John Martin, husband of the da. of John Cresbien the late farmer;⁷ pardoned, 1452, as "of Dorchester, draper, senior, *alias* John Dirrycole *alias* Hunt" (m.31); a pledge for the Dorchester M.P.s in 1449 (1), 1453; occurs there in 1460 and 1462. Long after, in 1492, Walter Pascow in his will refers to a burgage of John Martin's in Dorchester.

MARTIN, JOHN (1405-55); of Wycombe, Bucks., and Oakingham, Berks. Yeoman of the Chamber 1431-50; King's Serjeant 1441-51. M.P. Wycombe 1433, 1442, 1447.

This Wycombe M.P. might quite well be a local burgess. Elector, Wycombe, 1435, 1449 (2), 1453; mayor in 1450; elector, Bucks., 1447, 1450, 1453. The man might perfectly well come from Berks., and acquire Oakingham, Berks.⁸ But if so he was also the King's servant paid out of Berks. Therefore made Yeoman of the Chamber with 6*d.* a day out of the issues of Berks. as from 10 Aug. 1431;⁹ sworn to the peace in Berks., 1434; parker of

¹ *Letter Book L.* p. 176; Jor. 9, fo. 22.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1478), 88.

³ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 845.

⁴ *ibid.* No. 962.

⁵ Mayo and Gould, *Records of Dorchester*.

⁶ *ibid.* p. 284. ⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/181.

⁸ From 1461 to 1473 there is a John Martin, Yeoman of Crown, becoming King's Serjeant-at-Arms in 1464, who must be the following:—Pardon Roll, 5 Dec. 1471—"late of Croxall, Derbys., gent., *alias* late Yeoman of Crown, late escheator in Worcestershire (1464-5), *alias* Serjt.-at-Arms." This man cannot be the Wycombe M.P. of 1432, or the Yeoman of the Chamber of 1432. But probably the M.P., the mayor of Wycombe, and keeper of Swallowfield were one and the same and may be identified with the J.M. "of Oakingham, Berks.", who heads the pedigree of that family in the Berks. Visitation of 1566.

⁹ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 155.

Swallowfield 1435; bailiff of Finchampstead by Windsor 1438; steward of Penkelly in South Wales 1439. He surrendered Finchampstead in 1440, but retained Swallowfield at a rent of £11 a year. The safe keeping of the duchess of Gloucester was assigned to John Martin, groom of the Household, in Oct. 1441; wherewith he had the reversion of the office of King's Serjeant-at-Arms on the death of James Lee, "whose life is now despaired of", 11 Oct. 1441; he still appears, however, as Usher of the Chamber. Surveyor of customs both at Hamble, Hants, and at Winchelsea, 1444; letters of protection for six years to prosecute pleas of the Crown in diverse courts of the King and elsewhere in England, 1445; pardoned 1446;¹ and pardoned arrears from Swallowfield, 1448. The 1449-50 Parliament exempted from resumption John Martin, squire of the Household, and also another John Martin, yeoman of the larder,² formerly page of the scalding-house. He is not John Martin of Kent, son of the Judge, but he may have been the feoffee for Sir William Peeche (*q.v.*) dead in Feb. 1459;³ also the steward for the Bp. of Winchester in Hants, 1453.⁴

MARTIN (MARTYN), THOMAS (1420-85); of Athelhampton. M.P. DORSET 1449-50.

S. of Richard Martin of the same by Elizabeth Pydel;⁵ *m.* (1) Elizabeth da. of John Clevedon, by whom he had Sir William Martin, M.P.; and (2) Philippe Malet.⁶

Thomas Martin of Athelhampton was one of those 40 gentlemen of Dorset who were pardoned in May 1446; one of the three collectors of customs and subsidy in the port of Poole, Feb. 1451.⁷ He and the King's serjt., Thomas Belgrave, were comsnd. in May 1454 to arrest for the fleet all ships over 50 tuns portage and to bring them to Sandwich. An elector, Dorset, 1442, 1447, 1449 (1), 1450, 1467, 1472 and 1478; J.P. Dorset, 31 Oct. 1472 to 12 Feb. 1482; on Dorset comns. from June 1470 to 1478 excepting the Readeption; but he and others were to be arrested in Feb. 1477, perhaps in connection with the duke of Clarence.

D. 14 Sept. 1485, when William, aged 40, was his s. and h. (whose wife Iseult is mentioned in the inquisition); lands—Somerset and Dorset.

MARTIN, (Sir) WILLIAM (1445-1504); of Athelhampton; shipowner. M.P. DORSET 1478, (? 1483 Jan.).

S. and h. of Thomas Martin of the same, M.P. (1420-85) by Elizabeth (Clevedon); *m.* Iseult, da. and h. of Thomas Farringdon of Dorset.⁸ His yr. brother was M.P. for Poole in 1478.

An elector in Dorset 1467, 1472. Martin and John Newburgh (*q.v.*) had a joint grant of 100 marks a year out of the earl of Wiltshire's forfeited lands in Somerset, 20 July 1470—as he was not a King's servant this may have been for the settlement of a debt. This might account for a similar grant, to John Cheverell, Richard Turges and Martin jointly, of the custody of an idiot and of the lands in

¹ Pardon Röll, 1446—of Swallowfield, Berks.

² *Privy Coun. Proc.* 1454.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 45.

⁴ Pipe Rolls of Bp. of Winchester (P.R.O.).

⁵ Hutchins, *Dorset*, ii. 582.

⁶ *Geneal. N.S.* iii. 163.

⁷ Roger Joye, Thomas Martin, and John Thomas (Issue Roll, Mich. 29 Hen. VI, No. 782).

⁸ Visitn. Dorset, in *Geneal. N.S.* iii. 163; Martin was not the contemporary cit. and skinner of London.

Shapwick, Dorset, Dec. 1480. J.P. Dorset, 12 Feb. 1482 till death; on all comms. in Dorset of 1483-4, including the subsidies and arrays; pardoned, 5 July 1484, as "of Pudleton, Dorset, gent., *alias* collector of customs and subsidy in Poole, *temp.* Ed. IV, *alias* J.P. Dorset, *alias* of Athelhampton" (m.2). He was part owner of *le Kateryn* of Fowey, 28 Oct. 1484; had licence to buy and import 200 tuns of wine and sell the same on paying customs, 9 Mar. 1486.¹

D. 24 Mar. 1504, when called knt.; s. and h. Christopher, aged 40. He held tenements in Poole of the Lady Margaret.²

MARTINDALE (MATYNDALE), JOHN; King's Pursuivant, 1485. M.P. Rochester 1491-2.

He had a genl. pardon from Richard III, Jan. 1485; was made keeper of Kelsale, Suff., and called King Henry's servant, 21 Sept. 1485; exempted from resumption as one of the King's pursuivants as regards the parkership of Kelsale 1485-6.³

MARTINDALE (MARTYNDALE), (Sir) WILLIAM (1410-70); of Newton in Alderdale, Cumbd. M.P. CUMBERLAND 1447.

Probably s. and h. of William Martindale the elder (d. 1434/7).

Both elder and yr. were sworn to the peace in Cumbd., 1434; the elder was on the Northumberland comn. of array in 1434; and on the pardon roll of 9 July 1437 appears William Martindale of Cumbd., gent. (m.9)—evidently the son. He was pardoned again, together with the bailiff of Carlisle, for acquiring Warthewick, Cumbd. without licence, Nov. 1439; kntd. 1449/56, and he appears on the pardon roll of Feb. 1456 as William Martindale of Newton, Cumbd., esq. *alias* knt. (m.7). Elector, Cumbd., 1435, 1442, 1449 (1). In 1460/5 Elizabeth, late wife of William Osmonderlawe, sued him, as the pretended guardian of her son, for lands in Cumberland.⁴ The last mention of him is in May 1466, when he was sued for trespass as of Newton in Alderdale, Cumbd.

MARTON, JOHN (1405-63); alderman of York; cordwainer. M.P. York city 1460-1.

He was made free by inheritance, 1428; entered the merchants company 1443; chamberlain 1447.⁵ This cordwainer of York was owed 11 marks in 1439, and was executor to William Girlington of York, 1444. In Mar. 1445 the sheriffs of York petitioned the King—they had been used to appoint the clerks to the sheriffs for one year only. Thomas Helmsley and Marton had been so appointed, "for their great ability and truth", by the late sheriffs. They petition for their reappointment during good behaviour—granted.⁶ In 1448 all the leading citizens of York are put on to an enquiry "touching the behaviour of John Marton of York, merchant", and "if he have attempted anything to the prejudice of the King or disturbance of the people". The result of the enquiry seems to be that he was made sheriff 1449-50, and elected to Parliament, and made an alderman. He was also an elector of York city when he was elected.

D. 1463; will, John Marton, alderman of York, dat. 13 June, pr. at York 18 Aug. 1463.⁷

¹ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 381.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 29/338.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1445), 368.

² *Inq. p.m.* 19 Hen. VII, No. 962. ³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 357.

⁵ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

⁷ To be buried at St. Andrews (York Wills, 2. 589).

MASON, WILLIAM (1425-92); of Hereford, merchant. M.P. Hereford city 1460-1, 1472-5, 1478.

Surveyor with Thomas Shelford of the grant to Hereford city of murage, 1454; elector, Hereford city, 1467; on 13 Mar. 1472 William Mason of Hereford, merchant, and John Clement of the same, yeoman, were mainpernors for John Welford (*q.v.*).¹ One of the XII, 1478.

Died just before 30 July 1492, when the bailivy of Lighthorn, Warw., vacant by the death of William Mason, was granted elsewhere. In 1503 his exor. John Walker made grant of a garden of Mason's in Hereford.

MATTOCK, NICHOLAS (1450-1521); of London, fishmonger; of Hitchen, gent. Collector of subsidy in, and Chamberlain of, London. M.P. Plymouth and Plympton 1491-2.²

Probably s. of Nicholas Mattock of Hitchen, stapler of London and Ipswich, who *d.* 1455;³ *m.* (1) Elizabeth, by whom his son Nicholas, and (2) Agnes.

Auditor of London 1494-6, called fishmonger;⁴ a trustee in city wills, again called "fishmonger", 1495, 1497; there was paid to Nicholas Mattock £48 17s. 1d. 4 Apr. 1505, for new tackling of the *Sovurayn* before her going;⁵ exor. of the will of Sir John Shaw (*q.v.*), 1504; apptd. a collr. of the subsidy in the port of London, 27 Feb. 1495,⁶ when pardoned arrears of account; still in office 31 May 1507; pardoned as of London and of Hitchen, fishmonger or gent. 1509.

D. 1521; will of Nicholas Mattock, late chamberlain of London, dat. 31 Oct., pr. 15 Nov. 1521. To be buried in Hitchen par. ch. "under the marble stone that now lyeth upon Elizabeth late my wife." All lands to his s. Nicholas; bequests to Elizabeth wife of his s. Nicholas; to Agnes testator's wife. Exors. :—s. Nicholas. Overseer—John Leventhorpe, vicar of Hitchen. His s. Nicholas was at Lincoln's Inn, and was eschr. of Essex and Herts. 1510-1.

MATYNDALE see MARTINDALE.

MAULEVERER, AVERY (1420-55); of Cudworth, Yorks.; lawyer. M.P. Carlisle 1450-1.

S. of John Mauleverer of Doncaster, who, dying 1451, left "Cusworth", Yorks., to his son Avere; ⁷ *m.* Isabel, by whom he probably had a son William. She *rem.* by 1467/72, William Vavassour,⁸ who was still living 1488.⁹

In 1451/2 "Mauleverer junior" was governor of Lincoln's Inn,¹⁰ and in 1455 Herbert and Sulyard, "two of the best baristers in the Inn", were given the chambers "in which Alvery Mauleverer lately lived and slept."¹¹ He was dead, for on 5 July 1455 administration of his estate was granted at York to Walter Calverley of Calverley.

Avery, Alvere; or Alfred, must be distinguished from his contemporary Halnath Mauleverer, M.P. Yorkshire 1419.

¹ Fine Roll, 12 Edw. IV (m.7).

² This is the only perfectly sure case of a multiple return between 1439 and 1509, though other cases (*vide* Gloucester, Norris, Daniel, etc.) are most probable. In earlier times it was common in Cornwall and Devon. ³ See his will, P.C.C., 5 Stockton; his wife Jane was exix.

⁴ *Letter Book L.* pp. 303, 309.

⁵ Fine Roll, 10 Hen. VII (m.9).

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 41/157.

⁷ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, p. 21.

⁸ *Excerpta Hist.* (Privy Purse exs.), 132.

⁹ *Test. Ebor.* ii. pp. 148-9.

¹⁰ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiii. 23.

¹¹ *ibid.* p. 26.

MAUNCCEL see MANSELL.

MAY, JOHN (1425-85); of Rochester. M.P. Rochester 1478.

The mayor of Rochester was commissioned to arrest John May and four others and bring them before the Council, 10 Nov. 1473. Probably he was the John May of Kennington who was a feoffee in Kent, *c.* 1460.¹

MAY (MEYE), WILLIAM (1420-90); of Northampton, mercer. M.P. Northampton boro' 1450-1.

Bailiff 1443-4; mayor of Northampton, 1451-2 (when called "mercier"), 1460-1, 1468-9;² a feoffee for William Stone in Northampton 1460/5; a manucaptor for one of the elected burgesses in 1467. Soon after 1470 John Adams, "innholder", was distrained on as surety for William May, mercer, in 16*d.*³ Unless it was his s. of the same name and trade, he was still living in 1487.³

MAYHEW *alias* DYER, ROBERT (1422-87); of Sandwich. M.P. Sandwich 1453-4.

S. and h. of Robert Mayhew, brewer of Shoreditch (*d.* 1430).⁴

In June 1443 Robert, son of Robert Mayhew, being of age which was proved by William Mayhew of Enfield, came into the court of aldermen and took his share of the 50 marks left by his father. Only his next brother Richard then survived.⁵ We may assume that it was this Robert Mayhew who "waited upon the mayor of Rye" at the Cinque Port meeting in 1476,⁶ and was mayor of Sandwich when he died 1486/7.⁷ Will of Robert Mayhew *alias* Dyer of Sandwich, dat. 1487, pr. at Canterbury 1488 (C.3.164).

MAYHEW see MAYO.

MAYNE, THOMAS (1415-50); of Colchester and Southwark. King's servant 1443-50. M.P. Bridgnorth 1447, 1449 (1); Newcastle-under-Lyme 1449-50.

Grant in survivorship to the King's servants John Hampton (*q.v.*), John Aleyn, and Thomas Mayne, of a hall and a solar in London, May 1444; renewed, June 1445. In May 1446 the King's Serjt. Thomas Mayne, and Margaret his wife, were granted 11*3s.* 4*d* for seven years to date from Mich. 1443; on the expiration of these seven years Mayne and his wife were to have instead Sevenhampton-Denys, Soms., 13 May 1448. He got his seats at Bridgnorth and Newcastle through his fellow servant or master John Hampton (*q.v.*), the constable of Colchester.

Beheaded by Cade on Sunday, 5 July 1450.⁸ Will, dat. 4, and pr. 17, July 1450. Of Colchester and Southwark. To be bur. where he dies. Bequests to Colchester ch. Residue to wife Margaret and sons and das. Exors.:—wife Margaret and William Costantyne.⁹ From the quick proving of his will we may judge the benevolence of ecclesiastical authority to the victim and his family.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/597.

² *Northampton boro' Records*, ii. 550.

³ *ibid.* i. 385.

⁴ *Letter Book K.* 110.

⁵ *ibid.* p. 283.

⁶ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* v. p. 495.

⁷ *Boys, Hist. of Sandwich.*

⁸ "And uppon the morowe the Sondag at hyghe mas tyme a (he) (Cade) lette to be heddyd a man of Hampton a squyer (of Hampton's the squire of the body), the whyche was namyd Thomas Mayne" (*Gregory's Chronicle*—Camden Soc. 1876—p. 193). He was probably seized on 4 July and allowed to make his will.

⁹ P.C.C., 12 Rous.

MAYO (MAYHEW), JOHN (1430-1516); of Wells, tucker. M.P. Wells 1497.

Admtd. to his freedom by patrimony, called "tucker", 1449;¹ appears as a pledge in the city charters down to 1516.² In 1476 he was suing for a messuage in Godington, Oxon.³

MAYO (MAYHEW, MAVY), WILLIAM (1415-60); of Launceston etc., gent. M.P. Launceston 1455-6.

Perhaps s. of John Mayow of Launceston in 1446, M.P. Launceston 1413.

A Cornwall elector, 1442; pardoned, 7 July 1446, as "of Launceston, gent., *alias* late of Camelford" (m.37); and in 1452 as "of Launceston, gent." He and Sir John Marney account for the rents of the demesne lands of Kilquyt, Cornwall, in 1454-5,⁴ and Mayowe was "of Hellond" when acquitted by his colleague Marney in 1457.⁵ On 4 June 1458 William Mayow of Launceston, gent., *alias* deputy of Walter Golde, late bailiff of Fowymore, Cornwall, *alias* William Mavy, appears on the pardon roll (m.17).

MEDFORD see METFORD.

MEEDE, PHILIP (1415-75); ald. of Bristol, merchant.⁶ M.P. Bristol 1459, 1460-1.

His bro. Thomas⁷ was sheriff of Bristol 1452; Philip *m.* Isabel.

On Bristol comms. from Mar. 1449; factor and attorney for Pierre de St. Crike of Aquitaine, 1453; elector, Bristol, 1447, 1449 twice, 1453, 1460, 1467; sheriff of Bristol 1455-6; mayor 1458-9, 1461-2, 1468-9; pardoned, as merchant of Bristol, 14 Feb. 1459; repaid money he had advanced to the crown, 26 Aug. 1459;⁸ elected to the Coventry Parlt.

Sir Maurice Berkeley had *m.* Meede's da. Isabel and when William, lord Berkeley, defeated and slew Viscount Lisle at Nibley Green outside Bristol, 20 Mar. 1470, the Bristol men who did the deed were recruited and sent out by Meede and Shipward (*q.v.*).⁹ Pardoned by Warwick's govt., 29 Jan. 1471; and by the Yorkists 23 Nov. 1472, being then described as "late of London, mercht."

D. 1475, M.I. in St. Mary Redcliffe, Bristol, 1475, as "Philip Meede esq." Will, dat. 11 Jan. 1471, pr. 11 Jan. 1475. To be bur. in St. Mary Redcliffe. Lands to w. Isabel, reversion to s. Richard, remainder to Maurice Berkeley and Isabel his w., Philip's da. Exors. :-w. Isabel and Richard Meede.¹⁰

MEKYLFFELD see MICKLEFIELD.

MELTON, Sir JOHN (1407-74), *de jure* 8th Lord Lucy;¹¹ of Aston and Kilham, Yorks. M.P. YORKSHIRE 1450-1 called junior, 1467-8. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Sir John Melton (1376-1455) of same, by Margaret, da. of Roger (Clifford), lord Clifford; *m.* (1) (after 1433) Elizabeth (living 1455), da. and coh. of Sir Robert Hilton, M.P. (d. 1431) of Swine in Holderness; by whom John

¹ Wells City Charters, *Som. Rec. Soc.* 147.

² *ibid.* 168.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 51/61.

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 115.

⁵ *ibid.* p. 119.

⁶ But described in the return as *homo generosus de nativitate*.

⁷ Williams, *Gloucestershire M.P.s.*

⁸ Canning was repaid at the same time.

⁹ Barrett, *Hist. of Bristol*, 194.

¹⁰ P.C.C., 21 Wattys.

¹¹ *Comp. Peer.* viii. 255. But who then dreamt of this *jus*!

(*d. v.p.* 1458); (2) Cicely, da. of Randle Mainwaring of Peover, Cheshire, and widow of Thomas Foulshurst of Crewe, and John Curson.¹

In company with 140 persons he raided the estate of Sir Geoffrey Hilton of Swine, 1432;² sworn to the peace, as of Normanton, Notts., 1 May 1434; retained in military service for the Crown, 1439, 1445 and 1458;³ exempted for life from all offices, 23 Mar. 1442;⁴ kntd. before 12 Feb. 1450;⁵ comnr., Yorks., 1450-63 (including the Lancastrian comn. of array, 21 Dec. 1459); J.P. E. Riding of Yorks., 12 July 1451 to 13 Dec. 1459, 25 June to 23 Aug. 1460, and 28 May 1461 to 18 Dec. 1472; J.P. W. Riding, 13 July 1451 to June 1455; sheriff, Yorks., 1453-4, 1460-6 Mar. 1461; sumnd. to attend Privy Council for Yorks., 16 Apr. 1455;⁶ a feoffee named in the will of Richard, duke of York (1460);⁷ a pension of £50 a year confirmed to him as eventual h. of Maud (Lucy), wife of Henry (Percy), earl of Northumberland, 25 Feb. 1465.⁸

D. 23 Oct. 1474, being succ. by his g.s. (Sir) John (1455-1510);⁹ estate administered, York, 3 Nov. 1474.¹⁰

MENWYNECK, WILLIAM (1420-78); of Menwyneck; lawyer. M.P. Helston 1447; Launceston 1450-1, 1459, 1460-1, 1461-2.

S. of Robert Menwyneck and g.g.s. of Roger Menwyneck, M.P. Launceston 1397.¹¹

Eschr., Devon and Cornwall, 1443-4; admitted to Lincoln's Inn, 1446; eschr. of the Inn, 1457.¹² In 1449 he is described as "of Menwynek, gent." He was sued for land in Penwern, 1465; J.P. Cornwall, of the quorum, 11 Aug. 1466 to 14 July 1478; mayor of Lostwithiel in 1467, when he made the return for that boro'; as "of London, gent.", he was a mainpernor for William Kerver in Somerset and Dorset, Feb. 1468;¹³ a feoffee in Cornwall, June 1470. A John Menwynek was "of Lostwithiel, late of London" in 1483;¹⁴ but our John probably *d.* 1478 when he vanishes from the bench.

MEREDITH, MORGAN (1410-61); of Carmarthen and Kent. Servant of the Duke of Gloucester, 1435-47. M.P. Dover 1445-6.

A Welshman, naturalised by Act of Parlt., 1435, as "of Carmarthen."

He had a joint grant of Steynteways in Westbury, Glos., May 1438; was made keeper of the armouries of all the South Wales castles, Mar. 1442 (Humphrey of Gloucester being then Chief Justice of South Wales). The same duke Humphrey was constable of Dover castle and attended the 1445 Parlt., and both members for Dover were his servants.¹⁵ The Act of Resumption of 1449 (not the death of duke Humphrey in 1447) brought to an end Meredith's keepership of the armouries.

¹ *Comp. Peer.* viii. 255. His first wife, Elizabeth, is mentioned as *unm.* in her mother Jane's will, pr. 1432/3; *Test. Ebor.* ii. 23. 4; *Yorks. Arch. Soc.* (Records) xci. pp. 200-2.

² On 1 Dec. 1432 a comn. of o. & t. was apptd. to inquire into the raid (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1432), 275). Sir Geoffrey Hilton was presumably his bro.-in-law. Many notable persons took part.

³ Issue Rolls.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1442), 105.

⁵ This is his first appearance as a knt., and the date of his first comn.

⁶ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 340.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 261.

⁸ *ibid.* (1465), 329.

⁹ *Inq. p.m.*, 14 Edw. IV, No. 27; *Comp. Peer.* viii. 255-6.

¹⁰ *Test. Ebor.* iv. 218.

¹¹ Vivian, *Cornish Pedigrees*, 318.

¹² *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, p. 31.

¹³ Fine Roll, 7 Edw. IV.

¹⁴ Pardon Roll, 1483 (m.6).

¹⁵ Richard Needham and Morgan Meredith were paid £10 by Dover for their expenses at the Parlt.

But the post was granted anew to Meredith and John Roger jointly in July 1453, "notwithstanding that there are no armouries", and the grant is to date from 6 Nov. 1449—the date in fact of the Act of Resumption. Meredith was living in Kent in 1456, for he was one of those ordered to assist the comn. at Maidstone; an elector for Kent, Sept. 1460; and he may have ended prematurely in 1461.

MERES, THOMAS (1405-70); of Kirton, esq. M.P. LINCOLNSHIRE 1429-30, 1433, 1435, 1437, 1442.

Said to be s. of Nicholas Meres,¹ and a John Meres was M.P. Lincs. in 1407. There was also a Thomas Meres of Auburn, Yorks., feoffee of Ferrybridge for Sir Nicholas Strelley in Mar. 1424.² Certainly it was the M.P. who was eschr. of Lincs. 1429-30;³ was sworn to the peace in Lincs. 1434; accounted for the late duke of Bedford's lands in Lincs. 1437-8; again eschr., Lincs., 1436-7, 1446-7 (styled "elder"); J.P. Kesteven, 6 Jan. 1430 to 25 Mar. 1437, 12 Jan. 1439 to 3 Feb. 1458, 28 Aug. to 28 Nov. 1460; J.P. Holland, 4 Feb. 1444 till the coronation of Edward. Elector, Lincs., 1422, 1426, 1450, 1453, 1467, always "esq."; a comnr. very frequently from 1430 to May 1461 (on this last occasion styled "elder").⁴

D. shortly before 24 July 1470, when the writ *diem clausit* for Thomas Meres of Kirton in Holland esq. was issued to the eschr. of Lincs.⁵ He was followed by a son of the same name, who was pardoned 1471, as of Kirketon, Holland, s. and h. of Thomas Meres; this son's will was proved in 1495.

MEREWETHER see MERRYWEATHER.

MERING, Sir WILLIAM (1385-1449); of Thornhaugh and Mering, Notts. M.P. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1421 (May), 1425, 1442.

S. and h. of Alexander Mering of Mering, Notts., by Maud da. of Sir John Hercy, and bro. of Alexander Mering, dean of York. M. (1) (?) Millicent (*d.* 1419), da. of John Beking,⁶ and (2) Alice. His son, William (1420-80), was M.P. Notts. 1478.

In 1408 he was granted all dead roots called "stouenes" in Galtres forest to make into charcoal and sell. He served under Henry IV, and led a "retinue" at Agincourt 1415;⁷ knth. 1421/5; J.P. Notts., 16 July 1432 till sheriff; comnr. Notts., 1432 onwards; sworn to the peace in Notts. 1434; sheriff Notts. and Derbys., 1432-3, 1438-9; pardoned 1437 (m.9); had a grant of two tuns of wine yearly for good service to Henry IV, V and VI,⁸ Mar. 1442; and he was joined in said grant with his son William, July 1444.

D. 1449/50; will, dat. 20 July 1449, date of proof not given. Certain lands to his w. Alice, with remainder to his s. William. Exors. :—his w., John Wyte and Henry Northorpe, chaplain. Supervisor, his son William (*Test. Ebor.* iv. 179).

MERING, WILLIAM (1420-80); of Maplebeck, Notts. Of the Household. M.P. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1478.

¹ *Lincs. Pedigrees.*

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 97.

³ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1429), 6.

⁴ It may be noticed that he was comnr. for the subsidy in Apr. 1431 and comnr. of array in Jan. 1436, in each case just after he had been M.P. for the county.

⁵ Fine Roll, 10 Edw. IV (m.9).

⁶ *Visitn. Notts.* p. 12; *Thoroton Soc. Trans.* 1913, p. 326. ⁷ Nicholas, *Agincourt*, 369.

⁸ Mich. 1429; Sir William Meryng was paid on his surrender to the exchequer of certain jewels which he had received as security for wages, when he went on a journey for the late King, Henry V (Issue Rolls).

S. and h. of Sir William Mering of Thornhaugh, M.P. (1385-1449); *m.* Elizabeth da. of Thomas Nevill of Rolleston, Notts,¹ and had William his heir, Francis, Thomas, Alexander, and Elizabeth, who *m.* (1) John Strelley of Linby, and (2) James Savage.²

He was called "King's Squire" when made in quick succession constable of Flint castle, Feb., constable of Lincoln castle, May, parker of Clipston, Notts., Oct. 1442. His father was of the Household and by 1444 the son shared the two tuns of wine yearly delivered free at Hull, Lynn or London. In Nov. 1446 he had been committing riots; pardoned June 1446 and July 1452—always "of Thornhaugh"; eschr., Notts. and Derbys., 1448; elector, Notts., 1449 (2), 1450, 1455, 1460; on Notts. comns., 1446 to 1472, including gaol deliveries but none of the Readeption. J.P. Notts., 29 May 1457 to 10 July 1458, 10 July 1461 to Oct. 1470, and 8 Dec. 1471 to June 1479. Differences with his father-in-law may have begun in 1444 when £10 due by Thomas Nevill, the sheriff, to the King was granted by the King to his servant William Mering; in 1458 Mering and his followers were to be arrested for attacks on Thomas Nevill. As a Lancastrian officer Mering was pardoned Nov. 1455,³ and May 1462.⁴ His son, another William, was *m.* to a da. of John Langton of Farnley in 1465 and was pardoned, 14 Feb. 1471.⁵ It was probably the father who served in the French expedition in 1475 with 2 men at arms and 16 archers.⁶ He and Thomas Stanhope (*q.v.*), both being King's servants, had the keeping of Sutton on Trent during the minority of Richard Fowler, Nov. 1477.

D. shortly before 12 July 1480, when his writ of *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Notts.⁷ Thomas Mering of Ossington, Notts., was pardoned as exor. of his will in 1484.

MERLAND, HENRY (1430-82); of Banstead, Surrey; ? lawyer. M.P. Guildford 1478.

He owned Gt. Burgh and Preston, both in Banstead, which he acquired in 1466.⁸ A feoffee of land in Ewell, 1466; a manucaptor for Thomas Barton esq. for the manors of Shene, Petersham and Ham, and for the sons, Ralph and Richard, of Richard Illingworth (*q.v.*), 1470/1;⁹ comnr. in Surrey, 1473; feoffee of Earham, Norf., 1475; late undersheriff of Mdsx., June 1477.

Dead by Oct. 1484,¹⁰ when Richard his s. and h. was pardoned for acquiring to himself and heirs from lord Dynham 262 acres in Banstead and Ewell.¹¹

MERRYWEATHER (MEREWETHER), JOHN (1420-61); of Berks., King's Servant; Serjeant of the Scullery. M.P. MIDDLESEX 1459. Lancastrian.

An elector in Berks, 1447; serjeant of the scullery in the 1454 list of the

¹ *Visitn. Essex*, 13.

² *Surtees Soc.* liii. 173.

³ As of Mapulbek, Notts., esq., late of London, *alias* of Tonge, Yorks., late of Merynge (m.21).

⁴ As late of Meryng, Notts. (m.32).

⁵ As of "Thorney," Notts., esq., *alias* of Meryng, *alias* s. and h. of William Mering, *alias* late of Kingeshawe, Notts.

⁶ *Foedera*, V. iii. 57.

⁷ *Fine Rolls*, 20 Edw. IV (m.15).

⁸ Maning and Bray, *Surrey*, iii. 586; *V.C.H. Surrey*, iii. 256; *Surrey Arch. Colls.* xxxii. 51; Lambert, *Hist. of Banstead*, i. 157.

⁹ *Fine Roll*, 49 Hen. VI.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 515.

¹¹ The family remained at Banstead till 1614 (*ex inf.* Sir Henry Lambert).

Household;¹ he was paid in the exchequer as "serjeant", 27 Nov. 1455,² and as such he was pardoned all debts of office, June 1459; an elector in Mdsx. 1460, called "esq." In 1454 William Hatter, mercer of London, sued him for obtaining a release from John Mortimer by deceit.³

He probably died in the troubles, 1460-1.

MERSTON (MARSTON), WILLIAM (1440-95); of Horton, Surrey, and London; lawyer. M.P. Midhurst 1472-5.

S. and h. of Richard Merston of Sherfield, Hants (probably treasurer of the chamber 1455-6 and dead in 1462); and kinsman and h. of Sir John Merston of Horton, Surrey (who was pardoned with his wife Rose, 6 Feb. and dead by 12 May 1462).⁴ M. Anne, who survived him.⁵

Pardoned, 1462;⁶ eschr. Surrey and Sussex 1463-4 and 1469-70, pardoned 1472;⁷ J.P. Surrey, of the quorum, 13 Apr. 1473 to 26 June 1483, 22 Feb. 1486 till sheriff, and 24 May 1494 till death; made searcher in the port of London, 7 Nov. 1479 to 7 Nov. 1480; on Surrey comns., 1480, 1486; sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1487-8, and received a reward of £40.⁸

D. 26 Oct. 1495, when William, aged 20, was his s. and h.; lands in Horton and in Shalford in Ewell.⁵

MERWALL, JOHN. M.P. Bridgnorth 1449 (1).

Mr. Weyman finds no reference to this name in any of the local records. As his partner, Thomas Mayne, came from London and had nothing whatever to do with Bridgnorth, Merwall (Merevale, Marvell) may have the same city of origin.

METCALF, JOHN (1460-1502); ald. of York, merchant. M.P. York city 1497.

M. Eleanor, da. of John Ferriby M.P.⁹ Made free of York city 1482;¹⁰ chamberlain 1491; sheriff 1494-5; alderman, 26 Apr. 1496, *vice* Robert Hancock (*q.v.*);¹¹ master of the merchants' guild 1497;¹⁰ mayor 1498-9.

D. 8 Feb. 1502, held land in York in right of his wife who predecd. him. John, aged 13, was his s. and h.

¹ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 230.

² Issue Roll, Mich. 34 Hen. VI, 805.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 24/24.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 6 Feb. 1462—John Merston of Horton, Surrey, knt., and Rose his wife (m.40).

⁵ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. p. 521.

⁶ *ibid.* 12 May 1462—William Merston of Horton, Surrey, esq., *alias* gent., *alias* s. and h. of Richard Merston, esq., decd., *alias* kinsman and h. of John Merston, knt., decd.—said Richard having been one of the assigns to receive from the Treasury of Henry VI what the Treasury owes for the occupation of Odiham, Hants, and for the works there (m.13).

⁷ Pardon Roll, 20 Mar. 1472, William Merston of Horton, esq., *alias* gent., *alias* late of London, *alias* late kinsman and h. of John Merston late of Horton, knt., *alias* s. and h. of Richard Merston late of Shirfield, Hants, *alias* late eschr. of Surrey and Sussex, *alias* late farmer of Banstead and Walton, Surrey (m.30).

⁸ A groom of the chamber, William Merston was made bailiff and forester of Gilling, Yorks., 1487, and surrendered it in 1492, but we do not think this was the same man.

⁹ In his will (1491) Ferriby, mayor of York, leaves to his da. Ellen w. of John Metcalfe a tenement in Barton on Humber (*Test. Ebor.* iii. 179n).

¹⁰ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

¹¹ In his will, dat. 20 Jan. 1497, Robert Johnson, ald. of York, left to John Metcalfe ald., his crimson gown furred with "blake shankes" (*Test. Ebor.* iv. 121).

METCALF, MILES (1435-86); of York. Recorder 1477-86. Lawyer. M.P. (? somewhere 1470-1); Dartmouth¹ 1472-5; York city 1478, 1483 (1).

Third s. of James Metcalf of Nappa, Yorks., esq.,² by a da. of Gibson of Irby, Lincs.; *m.* Maud (*d.* 1492).³

Thomas and Miles Metcalf, bros. of Edmund Metcalf, deceased, had the custody, for good service to the King to his father and to the earl of Salisbury, of the lands and widow of Edmund, she being an idiot, 26 Sept. 1464.

On a comn. of oyer in Mdsx., 1464, and on Yorks. comns. from 1475 to Dec. 1484, including all Richard III's comns. A feoffee for Sir William Parr in Westd. 1469. Entered *Corpus Christi* guild, 1470, and the merchants' guild, 1480;⁴ J.P. North Riding, 20 Nov. 1470 to 1471, 14 Feb. 1476 till death. Pardoned, 27 Nov. 1471, "late of London, gent.", and therefore a likely M.P. during the Readeption. Returned for Dartmouth 1472. Made free of York city 1477.⁴ He was chosen recorder of York, 1 Sept. 1477, in place of Sir Guy Fairfax, therefore a lawyer. Returned for York 1478; and then, with Richard Davy also M.P. and two others, he bought "*Le Rose*" in Southwark between "les Stewes side" and "Maiden Lane", a typical Southwark address, 2 May 1478.⁵ In 1481 he was exor. of the wills of William Nevill of Thornton Bridge, and of Thomas Witham of Cornburgh. On 23 Dec. 1482 he was elected to attend Parlt. *vice* John Tong, who was too ill to attend, and attended again in 1484; pardoned offences against the statute of liveries, 29 Nov. 1485. He was made judge of the county palatine of Lancaster in Apr. 1483, when Richard, duke of Gloucester was Regent, and he was also recommended to the recordership by the Duke. In 1486 John Vavasour was chosen recorder instead of Miles Metcalf, deceased.⁴

D. 25 Feb. 1486;⁶ will, dat. 12 Feb., pr. at York, 1 Nov. 1486.⁷ His bro. Thomas, called "Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster", *d.* 1503/4 and had issue, Sir Thomas Metcalf.⁸

METFORD (MEDFORD), JOHN (1420-87/90); of Ockham and Pyrford, Surrey, esq. M.P. Guildford 1453-4.

We have only the will of John Mettford squier; dat. 19 Oct. 1487, pr. 17 Dec. 1490. To be bur. in All Hallows, Barking, by the stone which his w. Blanche had already laid. A marble stone to be engraved with his arms and "with my worde 'A Jeshu Mercy' to be clerely gravyn". Mentions his lands at Pyrford. Bequests to da. Isabell Castell and her children; to "Bergida" Weston da. of his da. Margaret; to "cousins" John, William and Richard Metford. Residue to wife Blanche. Exors.:—John Castell and William Burton.⁹

¹ No Metcalf appears in the Dartmouth records, and Miles probably never saw the place.

² In 1467, James Metcalf founded a chantry at Askrigg for the souls of his father and mother, John and Alice, and for the souls of his sons Thomas and Miles (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1467), 21).

³ Will, 1492 (*Reg. Test.* v. fo. 1407).

⁴ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 388.

⁶ Scaife's Lists, MSS., York city archives.

⁷ To be bur. in the minster of St. Peter's. Mentions s. Richard, da. Katherine, bro. Thomas. "Also I will that my servants be remembered and especially they that hath had many an evil day and night." Exors.:—bro. Thomas, w. Maud, s. James, Thomas Symson, priest, and Thomas Morley his servant.

⁸ *Geneal. N.S.* xxix. 101-2.

⁹ P.C.C., 36 Milles.

Margaret his da. *m.* John Weston and *d.* 1475; she is commemorated on a brass at Ockham whereon the Metford and Weston arms are quartered, and John Metford is there described as of Ockham.¹

METFORD, ROBERT. M.P. Marlborough 1450-1.

Richard Metford was Bp. of Salisbury 1395 to 1407.

Robert was an elector, Wilts., 1453; on a jury concerning Hindon and Cricklade 1456,² and in 1459. Perhaps it is he who was an elector in Berks. in 1460.

MEYE see MAY.

MICHELL see MITCHELL.

MICHELGROVE *alias* FAUCONER,³ JOHN (1400-60); of Michelgrove in Clapham. M.P. SUSSEX 1445-6.

S. and h. of John Michelgrove esq. of same; *m.* Anne (*d.* 1450) da. of William Sydney,⁴ and left a da. and h. Elizabeth, who *m.* John Shelley (*q.v.*), and *d.* 1513.

He and John Scardevile were pardoned in 1422 for acquiring land in Kingsham, Sussex, without licence, and he probably had Kingsham through his wife.⁵ Pardoned, 2 July 1446;³ a feoffee of Allington, Wilts., for Reynold West, lord Delawarr, 1450; on Sussex comns. 1456 to Nov. 1457; one of the founders of the Horsham guild, 15 Nov. 1457.

Dead by 22 May 1460, when John Wood (*q.v.*), keeper of the wardrobe, was granted custody of his lands and heir;⁶ writ *diem clausit* to eschr. 12 Sept. 1460.⁷ In 1471/2 John Apsley was pardoned as occupier of the lands late of John Michelgrove and of Michelgrove's da. Elizabeth.⁸

MICKLEFIELD (MEKYLFFELD), JOHN; of Suffolk. M.P. Dunwich 1459.

The surname does not occur in Gardner's *Dunwich*, but a *Robert* Mikelfield was a Suffolk elector 1449 (2), and a *William* Mekilfeild esq. was a J.P. Suffolk, 1464-75. A John Mykelfield died, 27 July 1501, when Bartholomew, aged 13, was s. and h. He held the manors of Winchesters and Newton as of the Duchy of Lancaster.⁹

MIDDLETON, DAVID (1430-80); of Denbigh. Yeoman of Crown 1462-80; Attorney General for Denbighshire. M.P. Dorchester 1467-8.

S. of Rerid ap Robert Middleton by Margaret, da. and h. of Griffith ap Jenkyns, lord of Broughton, Salop; *m.* Ellen, da. of Sir John Done of Utlington, Ches. She is said to have been "maid, widow, and twice a wife in one day." She was *m.* to Richard Done, but David killed him as they came from church and *m.* her himself. She *rem.* (2) Piers Holland of Conway, and (3) Sir Adrian (? Andrew) Brereton.¹⁰

Letters of denisation as an Englishman were issued to King's Servitor, David

¹ *Surrey Arch. Colls.* xxxi. pp. 96-98.

² Hoare, *Modern Wilts.* ii. 58 and 61.

³ Pardon Roll, 1446, "of Clopham, Sussex, *alias* s. and h. of John Mishelgrove esq., *alias* John Fauconer of Clopham, esq."

⁴ *Sussex Arch. Colls.* lxiii. 124.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1452, "John Michelgrove, occupier of the manor of Kyngesham, late of William Sydney" (m.7).

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1460), 596.

⁷ *Fine Roll*, 39 Hen. VI, m. 12.

⁸ The *Sussex Arch. Colls.* (lxiii. 124) say that his da. "Anne" *m.* John Shelley, but we think this cannot be correct.

⁹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 452.

¹⁰ W. D. Pink, *Middleton Family of Denbighshire*.

Middleton, one of the yeomen of the Crown, born a Welshman, 6 Sept. 1472. Exempted from resumption 1464, 1467, 1473,¹ in each case as yeoman of the Crown with 6*d.* a day. In 1467 he mustered troops at Beaumaris for the voyage to Ireland, and never went near Dorchester. Pardoned, 5 Feb. 1472, "of Denbigh, yeoman of the Crown, *alias* David ap Ryryt of Middleton, Salop, *alias* David ap Ryryt ap Ryryt de Potham, gent., *alias* receiver of Denbigh, *alias* eschr. in Denbighshire, *alias* David Middleton, attorney general in Denbighshire." In 1474 he was a comnr. *re* wool shipment.

D. 1478/83. Probably George Middleton (*q.v.*) (1425-79) was his brother.

MIDDLETON, GEORGE (1425-79); of the Exchequer 1457-61; yeoman of the Crown 1461-4; porter of Clarendon 1461-79. M.P. Dorchester 1460-1. Yorkist.

David Middleton, yeoman of the Crown, was M.P. Dorchester 1467, and George might well be David's elder brother. George Middleton was employed at the Exchequer in July 1457.² The M.P. was certainly made porter of Clarendon with fees, 15 July 1461; and two days later he was one of those, mostly Dorset M.P.s, who were ordered to arrest Robert Tanfield (*q.v.*) and bring him before the Council. A share of the lands forfeited by James Butler, earl of Wilts., came his way in Dec. 1461—so that he was already probably yeoman of the Crown. As such his grant of Clarendon was exempted from resumption in 1464.³ This year he joined with Humphrey, lord Stafford of Southwick, in granting lands in Cricklade and Hindon to Thomas Tropnell,⁴ that "perilous covetous man". Elector, Somerset, 1472.

He was recently dead in Apr. 1479 when William Middleton, squire of the Household, took his place as porter of Clarendon, void by the death of George Middleton.⁵ Probably William M.P. (1455-1505) was his son.

MIDDLETON, JOHN (1415-77); alderman of London; mercer. M.P. London 1453-4.

Born at Barlborough, Derbys.; *m.*, probably (2), Elizabeth da. of Thomas Wolseley of Wolseley, Staffs., and sis. of Ralph, baron of the Exchq. (*q.v.*).

As vintner of London he was to go to France, but tarried in London in 1436; chamberlain in London 1449-50; sheriff 1450-1; auditor 1449-50, 1458-60; master of the mercers company 1452, 1458, 1469, 1475; alderman from Mar. 1456 till 1462; elector, 1449 (2), 1455. He advanced money to the city, was an exor. of the will of Sir William Estfield (*q.v.*) in Oct. 1453, and took the chief part in bringing the water from Paddington to Fleet St., and from Highbury to St. Giles, as ordered in that will.⁶ Pardoned in 1452 and 26 Jan. 1459. In 1458 he was elected to represent the city at a council sumnd. to discuss trade and increase the fleet;⁷ on comn. to look after the city's interests in Parlt., Oct. 1460;⁸ exonerated from his aldermanry after giving his secret reasons to two of the aldermen, and 500 marks for the aqueduct, 1462.⁹ In 1461/70 he lent money to Edward IV, receiving goods as security;¹⁰ one of those repaid, 14 July 1468;¹¹

¹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 594; vi. 87.

² Issue Rolls.

³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 548.

⁴ *Tropenell Cartulary*, ii. 72.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1479), 157.

⁶ *Letter Book L.* pp. 158, 207; *Letter Book K.* 355.

⁷ *Jor.* 6, fo. 245.

⁸ *ibid.* fo. 272.

⁹ *Jor.* 7, fos. 9d and 10.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/258.

¹¹ Issue Roll, 8 Edw. IV, No. 840.

pardoned 10 June 1472, as "late alderman and sheriff, late collr. of subsidy etc., in London" (m.28). As John Middleton the elder he settled money on his son John's coming of age in 1475.

D. 1477; will, dat. 20 Mar., pr. 8 Aug. 1477.¹

MIDDLETON, Sir JOHN (1440-1503); of Belsay; knt. of the Body 1480-3.

M.P. NORTHUMBERLAND 1472-5. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Sir John Middleton of Belsay, and of Bewcastle, Cumbd. (*d.* 1464/7),² by Elizabeth widow of Sir William Heron of Ford, and da. of Sir Robert Ogle.³ M. Margaret da. of Sir John Markenfield and had George who died *v.p.* John the g.s. ultimately succeeded.

He was of the Household in 1461;⁴ held Holy Island, apparently already a knt., 1462/3;⁵ probably fought at Hexham, 15 May 1464, where his father's servants captured Somerset;⁶ elector, Nhd., 1467, being then knt.; plundered ships bound for Newcastle, Apr. 1469; on the King's service in Paris, Aug. 1473, with Sir John Paston;⁷ on similar service at the court of Burgundy, but was imprisoned by the Duke in Brussels.⁸ He was knt. of the Body to Edward IV by July 1480, when he had the custody of John Wood's (*q.v.*) s. and h.; apptd. in command of troops sent to help Margaret and the Emperor Maximilian, Sept. 1480;⁹ sheriff, Norham and Eland, 25 Mar. 1482 to 27 Apr. 1496. He took no part after Edward's death though made sheriff, Nhd., 1489-90. In fact he sold Belsay and all his Nhd. lands to Sir Thomas Darcy in 1502, and settled his lands in Notts. and Derbyshire upon Agnes da. of William Haggerstone and her children of whom he was evidently father.¹⁰

D. Mar./Apr. 1503; will, dat. 20 Mar., pr. at York 11 May 1503.

MIDDLETON, RICHARD (1430¹¹-87); of Green's Norton, Northants., Brompton, Nhd.,¹² and Linford, Bucks. King's squire 1464. M.P. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 1467-8.

¹ To be bur. in St. Mary's, Aldermanbury; masses for his wives Margaret and Elizabeth, for William Kynwoldmarsh, William "Esterfield" knt., and for John Norton esq.; to poor people at Barlborough, Derbys., where he was born, £10; to poor of Derby, £5. To w. Elizabeth, £500. To sons Stephen, Thomas, William, Edward and da. Anne, £100 each, and to Anne's s. John. Exors.:—w. Elizabeth, sons Stephen and William, Edmund Kynwoldmarsh, William Goldsalf. Supervisor, John Natur, gent. (P.C.C., 30 Wattys).

² Sir Arthur Middleton's MS. Vol. IV, p. 66.

³ With whom he had Ellingham, Nhd.

⁴ *Ex inf.* C. H. Hunter-Blair.

⁵ *Ex inf.* F. W. Dendy esq.

⁶ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 333.

⁷ Lord Hastings writes to Middleton and Paston thanking them for their attendance on the King's Council in Paris, and for assistance they have given to his (Hasting's) deputy, Sir John Scott (*q.v.*), 16 Sept. 1473 (*Paston Letters*, iii. 97).

⁸ Sir John Paston writes to Margaret, 21 Mar. 1476—Sir John Middleton took leave of the Duke "to sporte hym", but was imprisoned in Brussels (*ibid.* iii. 163).

⁹ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 290; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1480), 212.

¹⁰ *Northd. C. H.* xiii. 326.

¹¹ It is possible that he was the Richard Middleton arrested with the Duke of Gloucester at Bury and pardoned 14 July 1447 (*English Chronicle*, 117).

¹² Pardon Roll, 1468, "of Brompton, Nhd., esq., *alias* late eschr. of Nhd., *alias* late of Norton-Davy, N'hants., *alias* late of Greensnorton, *alias* late of Lynford" (m.20). Pardon Roll 1471/2, "of Norton-Davy, N'hants., esq., and Maud his wife, late wife of Thos. Grene knt., *alias* Richard Middleton late of Brompton, Nhd., *alias* late of Makesey, N'hants., *alias* late of London."

Probably a cadet of Middleton of Belsay, Nhd. ;¹ *m.* Maud widow of Sir Thomas Green of Green's Norton, and da. of John Throckmorton (*q.v.*).

He was granted lands forfeited by Lancastrians, jointly with his wife Maud—Great Linford, Bucks., forfeited by the earl of Wilts., 25 Feb. 1462—more land there forfeited by Sir John Fortescu, 20 Apr. 1465—land in Oswaldkirk, Yorks., forfeited by Thomas, lord Roos, 3 Jan. 1466 ; all exempted from resumption in 1467/8 ;² licensed to sell timber from the King's forest of Whittlewood, when described as King's squire, 11 Aug. 1464 ; eschr. of Nhd., 1461-4 ; pardoned, 24 Nov. 1468.³ Perhaps he took active part in the wars in Northumberland ; perhaps an M.P. in 1470-1, for he was pardoned again 27 Nov. 1471.³ There was inquest, 12 Mar. 1478, by what right he and Maud his wife claimed common in "Heybarnfeld", N'hants. ; J.P. N'hants., 11 Nov. 1477 to 14 May 1483 ; on N'hants. comn. 1479 ; on Yorks. comns. Feb. 1483, and the arrays etc. of 1484—obviously a supporter of Richard III. Richard Middleton esq. and George Middleton, gent., were pardoned 17 Aug., and taken into allegiance with the Harringtons and Hudlestons, 18 Aug. 1486. These seem to be those who fought at Bosworth. Richard Middleton fought against Henry VII at Stoke, 16 June 1487, was attainted,⁴ and was perhaps killed there.

MIDDLETON, THOMAS (1420-85) ; of Walton-D'Eiville and Tysoe, Warw., esq. M.P. WARWICKSHIRE 1450-1.

Yr. s. of William Middleton of Tysoe.

Pardoned, 5 Dec. 1455, as "of Walton, Warw., esq.", and pardoned outlawry, 12 May 1457, as "of Walton-Deyvill, Warw., *alias* late of Greenwich, esq." ; pardoned, 1 July 1462, "of Walton, *alias* Welton" and again, 4 Nov. 1466, as "of Waldon, an exor. of Thomas Bryd" (*q.v.*). In 1489 Thomas Middleton of Over Tysoe, Warw., was given seisin of Church Tysoe as son of the brother of Thomas Middleton of Church Tysoe, which may mean that our Thomas was then recently dead.⁵

MIDDLETON, WILLIAM (1455-1505) ; of Stoke, Sussex. Keeper of Clarendon 1479-1500 ; gent. usher of Chamber 1479-83, 1485-1500. M.P. Midhurst 1491-2.

Probably s. of George Middleton, keeper of Clarendon, M.P. (1425-79).

Already Sq. of the Household when made porter of Clarendon, 1479 ; grant renewed 1481 and 1486 ; he acted as a gentleman usher at the funeral of Edward IV ;⁶ took no part under Richard III ; made bailiff of Somborne, Hants, 24 Sept. 1485 ;⁷ exempted from resumption in respect of Somborne and Clarendon, 1486 ;⁸ as King's esquire he was granted Stoke, Sussex, in tail male, as forfeited by the duke of Norfolk, Feb. and June 1486 ;⁹ a gentleman usher at the meeting with Archduke Philip, 1500.¹⁰ He is not the William Middleton kntd. at Flodden, and, as he is not on the 1509 pardon roll, he was probably dead by that date.

¹ Pardon to Sir John Middleton, Edm. Hastings esq., John son of Sir John Middleton, Richard Middleton esq., 11 Feb. 1460 (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1460), 549).

² *Rot. Parl.* v. 609.

³ See note ¹² on p. 591.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 398.

⁵ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiii. 26.

⁶ Gairdner, *L. & P.* i. 8.

⁷ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 560.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 381.

⁹ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 319, 467.

¹⁰ Gairdner, *op. cit.* ii. 98.

MILBORNE, RICHARD (1395-1451); of Laverstock, Wilts.¹ M.P. WILTSHIRE 1421, 1423-4, 1425, 1439-40.

With Stephen Popham he was a feoffee of land in Wilts., 1424. He was a verderer in the forests of Clarendon and Grovely till 1434, a Hungerford feoffee in Wilts. 1429-35;² eschr. Somerset and Dorset, 1428-9;³ had the custody and marriage of Thomas, s. and h. of Robert de la Mare, 1431; accounts for lands at Newark, Notts., 1434-6;⁴ pardoned July 1437; elector, Wilts., 1420, 1431, 1432, 1433, 1435, 1442, 1447, 1449 (1), 1450. Witnessed a grant with Hungerford, Stourton and others, 1445;⁵ and he owned a tenement in Salisbury next to two belonging to Robert Warmwell in 1447.⁶ He had letters of protection to stay with the duke of Buckingham at Calais, but they were revoked in July 1448, because he tarried at Laverstock, Wilts. He was comsnd., together with lord Hungerford, to subdue the rebels in Wilts., who were in arms at the time of Jack Cade.

D. 18 Aug. 1451, when Simon, aged 24, was his s. and h. Lands—Hants and Wilts.⁷

MILDEW, RICHARD (1420-75); of Chichester, brewer. M.P. Chichester 1453-4, 1459.

An elector in Chichester 1460 and 1472. The Readeption pardon roll, 25 Jan. 1471, includes, "Richard Milthewe, late mayor of Chichester, merchant, alias Mildewe of Chichester, brewer".

MILFORD, WILLIAM (1420-80); of Sevenhampton-Denys (Seavington), Som., and of S. Tawton, Devon. Under-sheriff; lawyer. M.P. Tavistock 1449-50; Wareham 1460-1; Barnstaple 1467-8; Helston 1478.

Perhaps s. of William Milford, M.P. Totnes in 1425.

Eschr., Devon and Cornwall, 1454-5; he was being sued for vexatious suits concerning lands in Totnes some time before 1457; the Yorkists apptd. him controller of customs in Exeter and Dartmouth in July 1460. At the same time, jointly with William Browning (*q.v.*), he had grant of a £6 pension; this pension was given to him sole, Oct. 1462;⁸ and perhaps at this time he was under-sheriff of Somerset and Dorset. He was placed on a comn. for the S. Western counties, Aug. 1467; and that he was a lawyer can be judged from his pardon, 12 May 1470, "of London gent., *alias* late of St. Clements Danes, New Temple, *alias* late of South Tauton, Devon, junior, gent." (m.5). The Readeption government put him on a Mdsx. comn. in Oct. 1470, and the Yorkists pardoned him 10 Sept. 1471, as "late of London gent., late of South Tauton, Devon."

MILL, EDMUND (1395-1452); of Greatham; lawyer. M.P. SUSSEX 1437, 1442.

Robert Mille s. of John Mille (M.P.) of Nutbourne, s. of Richard Mille bro. of Robert Mille of Guildford conveyed Mundham to Edmund, of which Edmund was already seised, 10 Jan. 1434.⁹ Edward Mille M.P. for Lewes, 1442, will also be a relation.¹⁰ M. Maud, who survived him; s. and h. Edmund.

¹ There was a manor of Milborne's Court in Chilterne (G. M. Young).

² *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1429-35), *passim*.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 536; Eschr.'s List, P.R.O., p. 136. ⁴ *Enr. Accts.* F.15 H. VI. D.

⁵ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

⁶ Will of Robert Warmwell in *Tropenell Cart.* l. 236.

⁷ *Inq. p.m.*, 29 Hen. VI, No. 19.

⁸ Called of "Sevenhampton-Denys".

⁹ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1434), 303.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 33/338.

On 20 Dec. 1433 John Apsley of Thakeham granted him the manor of Mundham for two cross-bows a year, instead of at a rent.¹ J.P. Sussex, of the quorum, 8 July 1437 till death; often a comnr., Sussex; in 1450 an assessor of the subsidy there; a feoffee for the duke of Norfolk, 1442-8; for lord de la Warr in Allington, Wilts., 1450—both lords having extensive estates in Sussex. An elector, Sussex, 1449 (1) and 1449 (2).

D. 27 Oct. 1452 when his writ *diem clausit* was sent to the Sussex eschr.² Buried at Pulborough; M.I.³ Arms granted by John Smert, Garter, 12 Aug. 1450 (*Misc. Grants* (Harl. Soc.), ii. 149-50).

MILL, EDWARD (1420-70); from Sussex. M.P. Lewes 1442.

One of those ordered to assist the comnrs. of *oyer et terminer* at Maidstone, 8 June 1456. He was in the service of Edward IV, for he was granted a £10 pension out of Milton and Marden, Kent, 3 Nov. 1462, which pension was exempted from resumption in 1464 and 1468.⁴ The prior of Christchurch, Canterbury, sued John Fogge (*q.v.*) and Mill for the manor of Blechemer, Kent, 1465/83.⁵

As his pension was not exempted from resumption in 1472/3, he may be presumed to have been by that time dead.

MILL (MULL), HUGH (1425-90); of Harescombe, Glos., and Bristol; lawyer. M.P. Shoreham 1459; Gatton 1460-1. Lancastrian.

Second s. of Thomas Mill of Tremill, M.P. (1400-61) by Margaret (Tracy); *m.* Margaret, widow of Henry Stanshawe.⁶

J.P. Glos., of the quorum, 16 Nov. 1456 to 27 Mar. 1458; on Glos. comn. of array, 21 Dec. 1459—evidently Lancastrian. He was at Harescombe in 1458, when he granted a tenement at (Minchin)hampton.⁷ After York succeeded Lancaster, Mill failed to give satisfaction. He was indeed put on a comn. of *oyer et terminer* in Mdsx. in 1464, but he was arrested with Thomas Cook in May 1466 on a charge of high treason. Having the luck to be tried before an honest judge, Markham, he put in a pardon and was liberated. But soon after he joined the rebels in Wales.⁸ He was pardoned again, uselessly, 2 July 1467, "of London, gent., *alias* of Bristol, *alias* of Harescombe, Glos."; specially excepted from pardon with Malory and Clifton (*qq.v.*) 1 Dec. 1468 as "of London";⁹ a feoffee in Heref., Jan. 1470;¹⁰ supported the Readeption, and was specifically excepted from pardon in South Wales with the duke of Exeter, the earl of Pembroke and Thomas ap Harry, May 1471.¹¹ Nevertheless he was pardoned at last, 14 Apr. 1475, "of London, *alias* of Harescombe, Glos., *alias* of Bristol." His elder bro. William was lord of the manor of Harescombe till it was forfeited in 1462.

¹ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1433), 288.

² Fine Roll, 31 Hen. VI (m.32).

³ *Sussex A.C.* xxii. 174-5.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* v. 531, 583.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/300.

⁶ In 1451 Hugh Mille and Margaret his wife, late wife of Harry Stanshewe sued John Sharpe, John Kemys and Thomas Excetre, "governors" of Margaret, for refusal to deliver up a bond to be sued against Dame Isabel Stanshewe and others for performance of the marriage settlement (*Early Chan. Proc.* 22/149).

⁷ *Ex inf.* Mr. Hudleston. Though generally written "Mull" the name became "Mill," and is spelt "Myll" by his attorney in 1485.

⁸ Worcester, *Annales*, 790; Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 454.

⁹ Harlech surrendered, Aug. 1468. See under *Sir Thomas Malory* M.P.

¹⁰ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 353.

¹¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 282. Malory and Clifton being then dead.

The strange thing is that Hugh avoided attainder and forfeiture ; perhaps he had no property. He left sons, Edmund who died without issue, and Gawen—Edmund after Edmund Tudor, Hugh and Gawen Welsh names. He occurs in an action for ejectment in 1485.²

MILL, JOHN (1405-75) ; collr. of subsidy. M.P. Dorchester 1449 (1).

In Nov. 1430 John Mill sued William Burton of Chidiok, Dorset, for the restoration of a book worth 4 marks. Pardoned, 1 July 1462, as collector for Henry VI of the 10th and 15th voted in the Parlt. of 1449 (1) in Somerset (m.18). It will be noted that, while the knights of the shire objected strongly to having anything to do with the collection of the subsidies they voted, the borough members might occasionally take on the unpopular office. John Mille was on a Dorset Inq. *p.m.* jury in 1471.

MILL, THOMAS (1400-60) ; of Harescombe.³ M.P. GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1435, 1439-40, 1449 (1). Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Thomas Mille of Traymill, Devon, M.P., by Julia, da. and h. of Thomas Rous of Harescombe ; *m.* Margery Tracy ; his second son Hugh Mille was M.P. in 1459 and 1460.

Eschr., Glos., 1430-1 ; elector, Glos., 1429, 1431, 1437 ; sheriff, Heref., 1435-6,³ 1445-6 ; J.P. Glos., 28 Apr. 1437 to 5 Dec. 1460 ; and on all the Glos. comns. from 1440 to the Lancastrian comns. of array in Dec. 1459. In 1441 John Frampton (*q.v.*) confirmed to him and his wife certain lands in Bisley, Glos. ;⁴ feoffee in 1444, and for John Langley in 1448 ; elector, Glos., 1447, 1449 (2), 1450 (heads list), 1453 (heads list). In Apr. 1455 he was sumnd. by the Lancastrian party to attend the great council for Glos.⁵

D. 1460, when the will of Thomas Mull esq. was proved ;⁴ yet he was attainted in 1461 ; and there is no inquisition *post mortem* to be found. For his eldest son, Sir William Mille, also attainted, was slain at Towton.

MILL see FARLEY, JOHN.

MILLER, WILLIAM (1455-1507) ; of Huntingdon. M.P. Huntingdon boro' 1491-2.

S. of John and Cecily Miller ; *m.* Elizabeth, an heiress in Huntingdon.

We have only his will, dat. 16 Feb., pr. 15 Mar. 1507. To be buried in St. Benedicts, Huntingdon. Wife Elizabeth to have lands in Huntingdon, Witton, Gurmanchester (Godmanchester) etc., with reversion to sons Bartholomew and Charles. Masses for self and souls of John and Cecily his parents, for John Russell, bp. of Lincoln. To son Edward £10 for exhibition at Cambridge and to have the living at Bodington when vacant. To da. Agnes Efford a messuage in Kyrkely, and bequest to Piers Efford her husband. Exors. :—Master Robert Toynes, dom. Thomas Wright, and Piers Efford.⁶

MILLY, WILLIAM (1445-95) ; of Northampton. M.P. Northampton boro' 1478.

Perhaps William Miller, bailiff, 1468-9. Milly was one of the XXIV, and one of the coroners of the town, 1490.⁷

¹ *Glos. Visitn.*, 217.

² See note 7 on p. 594

³ Pardon Roll, 1 Nov. 1455 (m.21).

⁴ *Bristol and Glos. Arch. Soc. Trans.* 51, p. 214.

⁵ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 341.

⁶ P.C.C., 23 Adeane.

⁷ *Nottingham Boro' Records*, i. 312, 387.

MINDRUM (MENDRUM), HENRY (1450-1507/8); alderman of Hull, goldsmith. M.P. Hull 1497.

M. Margaret da. of John Whitfield and step-da. of Sir Richard York (*q.v.*).¹

Harry Mindrem, mercht. of Hull, sued the sheriff of Hull in 1473/5 concerning the surety Mindrem had given for the ransom of John Matthews taken by the French; sheriff of Hull himself, 1489; mayor in 1496; pardoned, 24 Nov. 1496, as of Hull, merchant. Thomas Dalton of Hull left him two crimson gowns furred, 1497; a subsidy comnr., apptd. by Parlt., for Hull, 1504;² again mayor from the death in office of Alexander Wharton, 1505-6.

D. 1507/8; will of Henry Mindrum, alderman of Hull, dat. 13 Dec. 1507, pr. 13 Apr. 1508.³

MINSTERCHAMBER (MYNSTRECHAMBRE), JOHN (1430-90); of Huntingdon. M.P. Huntingdon boro' 1467-8.

Perhaps son of Thomas Minsterchamber of Huntingdon, elector, 1430, 1450.⁴ In July 1458 John M. and Reynold Arnburg (*q.v.*) were to be arrested and brought before the King. Elector, Hunts., 1472. In 1475/85 Robert Thoresby (*q.v.*) sued John Mynstrechambre, as exor. for William Judde, on certain bonds.⁵ He was on the Hunts. subsidy comn., 21 Jan. 1488, and on gaol delivery at Huntingdon the same year.

MITCHELL (MICHELL), JOHN (1395-1450); of Oxford. M.P. Oxford boro' 1442.

In 1423 John Mitchell was paid by the town of Oxford for a 10 days' trip to London negotiating a charter.⁶ Elector, Oxford, 1426, 1432, 1433; bailiff of Oxford 1427-8 and 1432-3.⁷

MITCHELL (MICHELL), JOHN (1430-74); of Marlborough. M.P. Marlborough 1467-8 "junior".

S. of John Michell of Marlborough, merchant—"of great age" in 1473. In 1460/5 Robert Dyer sued John Michell *re* a lease of dye-houses in Newbury, Berks., and Marlborough, for failure to execute a building and repairing agreement.⁸ Died without male issue a few months after his father, who died 1473.⁹ In Jan. 1496 Alice Michell, late of Marlborough, widow of John Michell, late tenant of "Hayssh" and other lands which were of Isabel Byrde, was pardoned.

MITCHELL (MICHELL), JOHN (1435-77); of St. Columb, Cornwall, tin-merchant. M.P. Westbury 1467-8, (? 1470-1), 1472-5.

Perhaps s. of John Michel of St. Columb Magna, *alias* John Mychell Jagowe of St. Columb the more, who was pardoned, 4 June 1437 (m.23). On a Cornish comn. 1462; with Thomas Bodulgate and Trevelyan (*qq.v.*), to be arrested 1463; called of St. Columb, 1468; pardoned his outlawry for not appearing, 15 Nov. 1478, "of Gt. St. Columbs, tin-merchant", but he was then dead.

¹ Dame Jane, widow of Sir Richard York, formerly w. of John Whitfield, bequeathes lands in Hull and makes her residuary legatee and exix.—"son Henry Mindrum and Margaret, his wife my da." (*Test. Ebor.* iii).

² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 541.

³ *Test. Ebor.* vii. 24.

⁴ *Huntingdon Boro' Records*, Edw. Griffith, pp. 75, 77.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/84.

⁶ *Munimenta Civitatis Oxonie*, p. 283.

⁷ *Liber Albus*, p. 131.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/530.

⁹ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

D. shortly before 8 May 1477, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschrs. of Hants and Wilts.¹

MITCHELL (MICHELL), JOHN (1445-1502); of Alderbury, Wilts.; lawyer. M.P. Devizes 1478, 1491-2.

Of a well-known Salisbury family;² admtd. Lincoln's Inn, 1476; eschr. thereof 1488-9; J.P. Wilts., of the quorum, 4 July 1486 till death; on Wilts. comns.—subsidy Jan. 1488, till gaol delivery at Salisbury, 1495. In 1498/9 John Morton (*q.v.*) was assigned to Mitchell's chamber in Lincoln's Inn.³

D. shortly before 3 Feb. 1502, when his writ of *diem clausit* was issued.⁴ His son John d. 1529, when Richard his son was aged 36.⁵

MITFORD, ROBERT (1415-64/71); of Seaton Delaval. M.P. NORTH-UMBERLAND 1449-50.

Perhaps s. of William Mitford, M.P. (*d.* 1422/3).⁶ He must have married some relation of Dame Elizabeth Burcestre, and he was succeeded by another Robert Mitford.⁷

J.P. Nhd., of the quorum, 18 July 1442 to 1461, and 10 Dec. 1461 till death; elector, 1437, 1449 (2) electing himself; sheriff, 1452-3. The *County History* says that shortly after 1454 he "was sore stricken with a sudden palsy" and came under the influence of "one John Harbottle which was brought up with said Robert Mitford". Harbottle persuaded Dame Elizabeth to sell all her lands to the Marquess Montagu, and Mitford was put out.⁷ Still Mitford was on all Northumbrian comns. 1454-9, including the repair of Roxburgh castle in 1458 and the Lancastrian array in Dec. 1459; and he was pardoned 20 Apr. 1459 as "of Seton Delavyle, Nhd., esq., *alias* of Seghill, *alias* late sheriff" (m.22); and he was restored to the bench in Dec. 1461. Thereafter nothing more is heard of him and we can only judge that he must have died between July 1464 and Dec. 1471 to judge by his appointments to the bench.

MODY see MOODY.

MOHUN (MONE), JOHN (1405-79); of Salisbury and of Wolveston, Dorset.

M.P. Old Sarum 1442; Salisbury 1447.

Perhaps s. of John Mone, of Salisbury.

Sworn to the peace in Dorset, 1434; elector, Wilts., 1442, and owned a house in Salisbury 1442, 1455 and 1457; elector, Dorset, 1449 (2), 1450 and 1478. Pardoned 1446⁸ and 1452.⁹ He seems to have been a servant of the duke of Somerset for, *c.* 1453, John Payn sued Richard Flynt and John Mone for money lent to the duke.¹⁰

¹ Fine Roll, 17 Edw. IV (m.15).

³ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, 89, 118.

⁵ *Inq. p.m.* 21 Hen. VIII, No. 129.

⁷ In 1441 Sir John Burcester and Elizabeth his wife sold Seghill, Durham, to their kinsman Robert Mitford for £100. In 1446 the Burcesters settled on him their property in Brandon and the reversion of Elizabeth's Delaval property (*Nhd. Co. Hist.* ix. pp. 65, 69, 150).

⁸ Pardon Roll, 1446, as Mohun, *alias* Mone, of Wolveston, Dorset, esq. (m.31).

⁹ Pardon Roll, 1452, as Moyne, *alias* Mone, of Wolveston, Dorset (m.29).

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 22/176.

² *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

⁴ Fine Roll, 17 Hen. VII (m.13).

⁶ *Inq. p.m.* 1 Hen. VI.

D. 6 May 1479 (Mone, *alias* Mawne), when John Trenchard, aged 26, son of Christine, da. of John, was his g.s. and h. ; lands—Hants and Dorset.

He is certainly not John Mone, constable of St. Briavel, and serjt. of the hall, who was "broken with age in 1448"; but there were many John Mones in Salisbury at this time.

MOHUN (MONE), THOMAS (1460-1518); of Wilton. M.P. Salisbury 1491-2.

John Mohun was M.P. for Salisbury and Old Sarum fifty years before and may be a relative.

Thomas was feoffee of Shipton, Hants, for Thomas Hussey, 1500.¹

D. 1518; will, dat. 6 Feb., pr. 2 July 1518. To be bur. in St. Nicholas, Wilton. Bequest to s. John if he make no trouble for wife and exors. To w. Agnes his dwelling place in the suburbs of Wilton, with successive remainders to his s. Walter and to Katherine da. and h. to John Mone. Exors. :—w. Agnes and s. Walter.²

MOIGNE, JOHN (1455-1503/6); of Willingham, Lincs., gent. M.P. Grimsby 1489-90.

Yr. s. of Thomas Moigne of same by Jane da. of Richard Sheffield of Butterwick, Lincs.,³ and g.s. of Thomas Moigne M.P. for Grimsby (1400-61).

The King's servant John Moigne was made keeper of Dorchester and Portsmouth, 1 Mar. 1483. We hear nothing of him under Richard III, but the same King's servant was granted a £20 pension out of Southampton in 1486; J.P. Lindsey, 1486 till death; on comn. of array there 1496; elected to the great council for Grimsby, 1488; comnr. of sewers 1497. In 1498 Henry Moigne of Willingham and George his son granted Willingham to John Moigne, gent., for life; and the attornies to deliver seisin were Alexander, Thomas and Lawrence Moigne.⁴

D., to judge from his J.P.ships, 1503/6.

MOIGNE, THOMAS (1400-60/1); of Clee, Lincs., esq. M.P. Grimsby 1442.

Yr. s. of Lawrence Moigne of Theddlethorpe, Lincs. (*fl.* 1380 to 1431) by Elizabeth, his second wife (living 1431); *m.* Beatrice da. of John Thoresby.⁵

As Thomas Moigne of Clee he was a feoffee for land in Grimsby and in Waithe, Lincs., in 1436;⁵ in 1443 he leased lands in Clee to Peter Laceby; sheriff, Lincs., 9 May to 4 Nov. 1444; J.P. Lindsey, 12 Nov. 1448 till death. Comnr. in Lincs. nine times under the House of Lancaster, ending with the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459; elector, Lincs., 1449 (1) to 1453, and in Jan. 1453 there was an enquiry into misrule in Newstead on Ancholme Priory, Lincs., carried out by Lord Beaumont, Thomas Moigne esq., and ōrs.

He was succeeded at some time by a son of the same name, who seems to have lived at North Willingham, Lincs.⁶ Whether the father had been also living at Willingham seems doubtful. If we attribute all the references to Moigne of

¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. p. 460.

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 197.

⁶ Pardon Roll, 12 Oct. 1455, Thomas Moigne of "Westlyngham," Lincs., gent., *alias* late of London.

² P.C.C., 8 Ayloff.

³ *Harl. Soc.* li. 679.

⁵ *ibid.* iii. p. 367; vi. p. 173.

Willingham to the son, it would seem that the Grimsby M.P. died between 16 June 1460 and 16 May 1461, that Thomas the s. was made contrlr. of customs in Hull in Feb. 1459, and that Thomas the s. was the father of John Moigne M.P. (1455-1506).

MOLENS see MULLINS.

MOLYNEUX, THOMAS (1425-90); from Lancs. M.P. Midhurst 1447.

Perhaps second s. of Sir Richard Molyneux of Sefton, Lancs., by Jane da. of Sir Gilbert Haydock and widow of Piers Legh;¹ also nephew to Adam Mollins or Molyneux, bp. of Chichester and Lord Privy Seal 1444-9.

Elector, Surrey, 1447, when returned for Midhurst, probably through his uncle, the bishop's, influence; elector, Essex, 1453; sheriff, Lancs., Mich. 1473 to Mich. 1480; on Lancs. comns. 1474-8. Thomas and Robert Molyneux were feoffees in Surrey for John Gaynesford, 1466; and the same pair were feoffees for the marriage settlement of Thomas Urswick, June 1467.² It is possible that this is the man who was "attorney-general to Edward IV and a Privy Councillor under Henry VII and died 1490/1";³ but he must not be confused with his nephew, Sir Thomas Molyneux of Sefton, who was made a banneret in 1482, nor with the Nottingham M.P. (1440-1506).

MOLYNEUX, THOMAS (1440-1506); of Coton and Houghton, Notts., and of Altcar, Lancs. Recorder of Nottingham 1487-1505; lawyer. M.P. Nottingham boro' 1491-2.

S. of Robert Molyneux of Houghton, Notts., by Dorothy da. of Thomas Powtrel of West Hallom, Lancs.;³ m. Catherine da. of John Cotton of Ridware, Staffs.

J.P. Notts., of the quorum, 18 Nov. 1466 to 1485, and 25 June 1486 till death; on Notts. comns. from 1466 including those of the Readeption and of 1483-4, all subsidy comns. and Nottingham gaol deliveries 1487-1506; pardoned, 4 May 1484, as of Coton and Houghton, Notts., and Altcar, gent.; and again by the Tudors, 5 Feb. 1486—still "gent." Recorder of Nottingham 1487/8 till death;⁴ J.P. Derbys., 1 Nov. 1497 till death. In 1500 Sir Gervase Clifton sold the next presentation to the church of Claypole to Molyneux and Catherine.⁵

There are two complicated chancery suits in which he was involved. He sued in 1467/72 Sir Robert Bold for killing his step-father, captain of Conway castle, when Bold took Conway for King Edward.⁶ He sued Thomas Staunton of Staunton, esq., for the costs of obtaining a dispensation for Staunton's son—a minor—that he might have the church living at Staunton, 1475/85.⁷ He must surely have been a lawyer; but there is no sign that he was "attorney-general to Edward IV".

D. shortly before 25 Oct. 1506 when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Notts.⁸

MOMPESSON (MOUNPESON), JOHN (1432-1500); of Bathampton, Wilts. Customer; lawyer? M.P. Wilton 1453-4, (? 1470-1). Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Robert Mompesson of the same by the heiress of Bonham; m. Isabel Drew of Seagry.

¹ *Visitn. Notts.* 72.

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 350.

³ *Visitn. Notts.* 72.

⁴ *Records of Nottingham.*

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 239.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 46/48.

⁷ *ibid.* 53/1.

⁸ *Fine Roll*, 22 Hen. VII (m.1).

Tropenell and Mompesson both received a general pardon in 1464, and Mompesson was dealing with Hungerford property in the same year. He was made controller of customs at Poole by the Readeption govt., 25 Oct. 1470; J.P. Wilts., 17 Dec. 1470. Both appointments terminated with the restoration of the Yorkists, and he was pardoned, 1 Feb. 1472 as "of Batehampton-Wyly, esq., late controller of customs in Poole." On many Wilts. comns. from 1473 onwards, including all those of 1483-4, and under Henry VII. J.P. Wilts., 4 Apr. 1472 to 8 Nov. 1475, and 23 Nov. 1478 till death. He was still connected with the Hungerfords, 1476¹ and 1487;² pardoned by Richard III, Apr. 1484; a feoffee of Littleton and Chitterne, Wilts., in 1487 and 1493.

D. 30 Nov. 1500, when John, aged 22, was his s. and h.; lands—Langford, Bathampton and Dupford, Wilts.; the manor of Newton-Tony was vested in feoffees with remainder to William Mompesson; the manors of Seagry, Somerford and Littleton, Wilts., were held by John Mompesson in right of Isabel, late his wife. Will, dat. 1500, pr. 1502, of John Mompesson the elder.³

His close connection with the Hungerfords no doubt inclined him to be Lancastrian. It is not impossible that he was a lawyer of the type of Thomas Tropenell; if so the family genius flowered in the person of Giles Mompesson, otherwise Sir Giles Overreach.

MONE see MOHUN.

MONGOMERY see MONTGOMERY.

MONINGTON, THOMAS (1415-81); of Toddington, Glos., and Ledbury, esq.; lawyer. M.P. HEREFORDSHIRE 1461-2, (? 1463-5), 1467-8, 1472-5. Yorkist.

S. of Richard Monington of Hereford by Ellen da. and h. of John Walweyn of Wellington, Heref.⁴ It is impossible to distinguish this man from his s., Sir Thomas (1445-92) who *m.* the Sarnesfield heiress. Either might have been M.P. in 1467 and 1472, and there is no clear evidence as to when Sir Thomas was kntd. Probably the father was the M.P. throughout and that he too held land in Sarnesfield, Heref.

The Parlt. of 1459 included Thomas Monington of Sarnesfield, esq. in the list of those maintaining peace-breakers—*i.e.*, Yorkists,⁵ but the said Monington was pardoned of all treasons, 18 Dec. 1459. He was granted Bridge Solers, forfeited by lord Clifford in 1461;⁴ sheriff, Heref., 1461-2, 1462-3, 1472-3, in each case following his election to Parlt. It is the s. who was pardoned, 2 Jan. 1463, as "of Sarnefield, esq., *alias* gent." (m.10), for he is not called sheriff. J.P. Heref., of the quorum, 24 Feb. 1473 to 19 Aug. 1475; and 7 June 1476 to 1481—which may

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1476), 129.

² *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. 356.

³ To be bur. in the new chapel at Bathampton. Bequests to the nuns of Shaftesbury, Wilton and Amesbury, to the monks of Maiden-Bradley and Edington; to the par. ch. of Langford; to poor men in the almshouse at Heytesbury. Mentions his s. Gerard, his da. Dame Elizabeth, s. William, da. Mary wife of Thomas Ludlow (*q.v.*), his g.s. John Mompesson, son of his son Drew, also Master Courte and Alice his w. "my da."; w. Anne and s. John. His feoffees and exors. included John Kingsmill, serjt.-at-law, Henry Mompesson, doctor of laws, William Frost and John Burley esq. (P.C.C., 15 Blamyr).

⁴ *Geneal. N.S.* xii. 9-11.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* v. 368.

also be the s. On Heref. comms. 1470, 1471, 1473—a thorough Yorkist. The s.¹ was the eschr., 1480-1. Probably the father *d.* in 1481 when he ceased to be J.P.

MONK (MUNK), WILLIAM (1445-1504); of Barnack, N'hants. Recorder of Lynn 1481; lawyer. M.P. Stamford 1478; Lynn 1484, 1485-6.

On 15 July 1470 William Monk of London, gent., and William Paweley of Diddington, Hunts., yeoman, were mainpernors for Elizabeth Gymer, widow, for the manor of Dodyngton (i.e. Diddington).² William Monk the elder was a feoffee for Thomas Keble in Leics. 1501/2.³ Recorder of Lynn 1481 onwards.⁴

D. 1504; will of William Monk of Barnak, gent., dat. 31 Dec. 1503, pr. 15 Nov. 1504. To be bur. at Barnak if he die there. To s. William, his place at Barnak; to s. John £10; bequest to his das. Exor.:—William Monk his son.⁵

MONMOUTH (MONNOUTH), JOHN (1415-78); of Malmesbury, Dauntsey and Reading, esq. King's Serjeant-at-Arms 1444-60; lawyer. M.P. Malmesbury 1449-50. Lancastrian.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Monmouth of Leominster.

Pardoned 24 May 1437; made one of the King's serjeant-at-arms "in England", with wages 12*d.* a day from the issues of Wilts. and Heref., Dec. 1444; as King's serjeant he seized wine which the Genoese merchants had stolen from the Venetians and sold in London, Dec. 1446; a feoffee of East Chalfield, Wilts., 1447;⁶ pardoned, 20 July 1452, being then late of Reading, late of Heref., late of London, late of Dauntsey, late of Malmesbury; an attorney in Wilts., Glos., Oxon., Worcs., 1470;⁷ a Glos. elector 1472; an attorney for Henry Frowick (*q.v.*) 1476.

MONMOUTH, THOMAS (1420-78/88); of Leominster. M.P. Leominster 1453-4.

S. and h. of Thomas s. and h. of John Monmouth, and had da. and h. Alice who *m.* John Morris M.P. Leominster 1467.⁸

There was confirmed to him in 1445 certain grants of 1294, of houses in Hereford which had been the property of expelled Jews—Civitasse, Elias de Ardre and Aaron le Blund.⁹ Elector, Leominster, 1449 (2), 1460, 1472, 1478. He was dead, and Alice his da. and h. sued for land in Leominster, 1488.⁸

MONTAGU, WILLIAM (1415-89); of Slo and Sutton-Montagu, Somerset.

M.P. Weymouth 1449-50.

A kinsman of Thomas Montagu, earl of Salisbury.¹⁰ *M.* Alice widow of William Gilbert, who survived him.¹¹

In May 1436, lands in Hampshire, of which Montagu was life-tenant, were demised to him in fee with remainder to Sir John Montagu and John Ferrers.¹² A Somerset elector, 1447 and 1472. In June 1454 William Montagu "the younger"

¹ For he was pardoned, 3 Nov. 1486, "of Sarnefeld-Waters, Heref., esq., *alias* s. and h. of Thomas Monington late of Sarnefeld, *alias* tenant of lands late of Thomas Monington, sheriff of Heref., *alias* gent., *alias* late eschr. for Edward IV in Heref. and the marches" (m.17).

² Fine Roll, 10 Edw. IV (m.1).

³ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 497.

⁴ P.C.C., 21 Holgrave.

⁵ Plea Rolls, Trin. 10 Edw. IV.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1445), 362.

⁷ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. pp. 213-4.

⁸ Le Strange, *Norfolk Official Lists*, 202.

⁹ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

¹⁰ *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. 227.

¹¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 12/227.

¹² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 321.

appears first on a comn. dealing with the fleet in the southern counties. This must be the same man. Pardoned, 23 Nov. 1471, as "late of Henlegh in the parish of Crokeham (? Crowthorn), Som. ; as "of Henley" he was on a comn. in Somerset and Dorset, 1473.

D. 17 June 1489, when Robert, aged 15, son of William, s. and h. of William Montagu, was found to be his g.s. and h. ; lands—Sutton-Montagu and Crowthorn, Som., held of the earl of Salisbury, and Queen Camel and Slo, Som., held in chief. The feoffees had demised Sutton and Slo to William Montagu of Slo and Alice, widow of William Gilbert, on their marriage. Alice survived him, and also Catherine, widow of William Montagu the younger.¹

MONTFORT (MOUNFORD), Sir EDMUND (1423-94). Of the King's Household 1444-60 ; of Queen Margaret's Household 1460-71 ; Chamberlain of the Duke of Bedford 1485-94 ; steward of Thornbury, Glos., 1489-94. M.P. WARWICKSHIRE 1447, 1459 ; GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1491-2.

Second s. of Sir William Montfort of Coleshill, Warw., M.P. (1385-1452), by Jane (Alderwich) ; and uncle of Sir Simon Montfort, M.P. (1435-95).² There is no trace of his having ever married.

He was a King's squire by July 1444, when hardly of age. In 1446 he and Daniel (*q.v.*) were granted jointly the office of keeper of Chaylesmore and master of the game in the forests of Staffs. and Warw. ; at the Bury Parlt. 1447 ; server for the King in the Household list of 1454 ; pardoned 20 Mar. 1459 as "esq." ;³ but a knt. when made ranger of Cannock, 12 Aug. 1459. While at the Coventry Parlt., he was made receiver of the earl of Warwick's forfeited lands, 9 Dec. 1459 ; and a fortnight later steward of those same lands. Sheriff, Warw. and Leics., and put on the comn. of array for his county, 21 Dec., while M.P. ; as King's Carver, he got lands forfeited in Warwickshire, including Sutton Coldfield, Feb.-May 1460. He remained with Queen Margaret, fought at Towton and escaped north ; attainted July 1461.

In June 1461 Montfort came out of Scotland with lord Roos and Taylboys of Kyme to "rear war in the North". They attacked Brancepeth Castle, but were driven out by the bp. of Durham. Next year he went with the Queen to France and helped at the signing of the Treaty of Tours, 28 June 1462. In Nov. 1462, and again in July 1463, Queen Margaret and her following seized and lost the Northumbrian castles ; but, in Aug. 1463, she, with Exeter, Montfort, Whittingham and Morton, left Bamborough for Sluys. Back once more in Northumberland, Montfort escaped death at Hexham, and from 1464 onwards he was one of Queen Margaret's household, a refugee in her father's chateau at St. Mighel in Bar.⁴ How he escaped in 1471 and whether he even returned, we do not know. Nothing more is heard of him till he was pardoned by Richard III, 8 Nov. 1484 "of Coleshill, Warw., knt., late of Westminster, late of London." Presumably the pardon was issued uncalled for and in vain, for he landed with Henry Tudor at Milford Haven. After Bosworth he was made sheriff of Oxon. and Berks. 1485-6 and chamberlain

¹ See note ¹¹ on p. 601.

² Dugdale, *Warwickshire*, 1108 ; *Visitn. Warw.*

³ Pardon Roll, 1459, "esq.", exor. of the will of William Montfort knt., *alias* of Coleshill in Arden, *alias* of Westminster, *alias* of Windsor, *alias* of the King's Household" (m.21).

⁴ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. pp. 186, 301, 367.

to Jasper Tudor, duke of Bedford. His attainder was reversed, and he was "King's servant" when granted Yardley, Worcs., and Erdington, Warw., during the earl of Warwick's minority. By June 1489 he was steward of Thornbury, Glos.¹ J.P. Glos., 7 Nov. 1490 till death and elected for that county to the 1491 Parlt. Jointly with Marney (*q.v.*) he was given control of Buelt in Wales and he was on Welsh comms. 1491.

D. early in 1494. Will, dat. 12 Mar., pr. 24 May 1494. To be bur. in the Lady Chapel, Henley-on-Thames, and a monument to be engraved "sometyme Councillor and Kerver with the most blessed Kyng Henry the Sixt and After Chamberlayne unto the high myghty Prynce Jasper, Duke of Bedford." His lands in Henley were to go to John Preston and his heirs; in default of such to William Norris and his heirs. Exors. :—Mr. Robert Bryan, parson of Solihull, Morgan Kydwelly, Mr. Thomas Maddox, Mr. Thomas Lutat, and John Preston.²

MONTFORT, Sir SIMON (1435–95); of Coleshill. M.P. WARWICKSHIRE 1463–5, 1478, 1491–2, (and perhaps 1483 Jan., 1484, 1485–6, 1487).

S. and h. of Sir Baldwin Montfort of the same (1412–58) by Anne da. of Robert and sis. and h. of Robert Blanchmains; ³ *m.* Anne da. of Sir Richard Verney of Compton.

He was pardoned, 6 Jan. 1459, "late of Hampden in Arden, esq., *alias* of Barswell, Warw., *alias* s. and h. of Baldwin Montfort, knight, *alias* late of Coleshill" (m.22). Kntd. 1459/62. M.P., and then J.P. Warw., 8 June 1464 to 5 Aug. 1465. On 28 Aug. 1465 a comn. was appointed to enquire concerning treasons in Warw. of Simon Montford, knt., *alias* late of Coleshill. Whatever the "Treason", he was pardoned 25 Nov. 1466, and again J.P. Warw. 3 Jan. 1468 to Dec. 1470; he was also granted money in repayment of advances he had made, July 1468. He stood by Edward IV in 1470–1, was removed from the bench, and then restored, 6 Dec. 1471 till death; sheriff, Warw. and Leics., 8 Apr. to 9 Nov. 1471. A retainer of William, lord Hastings, in 1474, and in June 1478 (after sitting in Parlt.) he had the custody of lands and heir of the unfortunate Thomas Burdett (*q.v.*).

Sir Simon was on all Warw. comms. from 1470 onwards, including all those of Richard III. Henry VII made him steward of Castle Bromwich,⁴ and retained him on the bench. He was pardoned, 6 Feb. 1493, "of Coleshill, knight, *alias* late of Hampden in Arden, *alias* late of London, *alias* late sheriff" (m.33). He was present at York's creation 1494,⁵ and then suddenly he and Sir William Stanley were arrested for complicity in Warbeck's rising and beheaded, Jan. 1495.⁶ They were betrayed or falsely accused by Sir Robert Clifford, who had supplied information from Flanders.⁷ In Oct. 1495 a new Parliament attainted him.⁸ His attainder was reversed and his son Thomas restored in Parlt. 1504. His eldest son John predeceased him in 1491/2, having *m.* in 1469 Anne widow of lord Say and da. of Sir Richard Harcourt.⁹

MONTFORT (MOUNTFORD), Sir THOMAS (1425–63/5); of Hackford, Yorks. M.P. YORKSHIRE 1460–1. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Thomas Montfort of the same.

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v, p. 497.

² P.C.C., 11 Vox.

³ *Geneal. N.S.* xix. 35, 51.

⁴ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 222. ⁵ Gairdner, *L. & P.* i. 404. ⁶ Gairdner, *Ric. III.*, pp. 286–7.

⁷ *Excerpta Hist.* 101.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 504.

⁹ *Geneal. N.S.* xxv. 90.

He was knighted by 1453, when letters were sent from the council to Thomas Montfort, knt., complaining of riots in Yorks. and directing him to keep the peace and obey Sir William Lucy and the other comsrs.¹ Elector, Yorks., 1455; J.P. North Riding, 24 Aug. 1459 to Mar. 1460, and 23 Aug. 1460 to 28 May 1461. But he was put on the Lancastrian arrays, 21 Dec. 1459 and Feb. 1460; and pardoned by the Lancastrians, 13 Feb. 1460 as "of Hackford, knt."—and about this time John Wandesford of Kirklington, Yorks., and Sir Ralph Crathorne married das. of Sir Thomas Montfort, lord of Hackford.² He seems to have been living 1463 and dead 1465—possibly killed in the Northumbrian battles.

MONTFORT, Sir WILLIAM (1385-1452); of Coleshill. M.P. WARWICKSHIRE 1422, 1423-4, 1427-8, 1429-30, 1437, 1445-6, 1450-1.

S. and h. of Baldwin Montfort of the same, by Margaret, da. of John, lord Clinton, of Maxstoke, Warw.; *m.* (1) Margaret, da. of Sir John Peele of Hampden in Arden; and (2) *c.* 1420, Jane da. of William Alderwich.³ This Jane appears to have been an alien, for in Jan. 1453, immediately after his death, letters of denization were issued for Jane, wife of William Montfort knt., born in Brittany.

Kntd. between Sept. 1429 and Nov. 1431; sheriff, Warw. and Leics., 1431-2; J.P. Warw., 26 Oct. 1433 to 21 Feb. 1439, and 7 Apr. 1444 till death; sworn to the peace in Warw., 1434; on Warw. comms. 1434 to Dec. 1451. In 1439, on the death of the earl, he was made a feoffee of the lands of Isabel, countess of Warwick, and for the new earl till he come of age. Undersheriff, Worcs., 1440-1; sheriff, Warw. and Leics., 1441-2. As King's knight he was exempted from all offices 1443; sheriff, Warw. and Leics., a third time 1450-1; pardoned, 16 Nov. 1452, as of Coleshill in Arden (*m.*13).

D. 6 Dec. 1452, when Baldwin, aged 40, was his s. and h.; lands—Warw. and Berks. His heir Baldwin was father of the ill-starred Sir Simon, M.P. (1435-95), and his second son Sir Edward M.P. (1423-94) was the last of the Red Rose.

MONTGOMERY (MONGOMERY), JOHN (1426?-63); of Faulkbourn, Essex. King's Serjt.-at-Arms 1446-61; Receiver of Scrumage 1446-50. M.P. Lyme 1449-50.

S. and h. of Sir John Montgomery of the same, M.P. (*d.* 1449), by Elizabeth Boteller, lady of Say, who died 1465. His yr. bro. was Sir Thomas Montgomery (*q.v.*) and Clement Spice, who had *m.* his sis., sat in this same Parlt. for Essex. *M.* (1) 1447, Margaret, widow of Edmund Lenthall, and (2) Anne da. of Robert Darcy of Maldon.⁵

He was a King's serjt. when he and his father were made jointly receivers of the scrumage of Calais and Cologne, Feb. 1446; was granted the marriage of Margaret, widow of Edmund Lenthall, and licence to marry her if she will, May 1447; remained receiver of scrumage after his father's death, and in 1453 he was granted *6d.* a day as his pay (and *4d.* a day extra from the wools coming to Calais), because the earlier grant to him and his father had been resumed by Parlt. in 1450. He took no further part in public life. His yr. bro. became the favourite of

¹ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 149.

² *Geneal. N.S.* xiv. 180; xv. 76.

³ Dugdale, *Warwickshire*, 1008-10.

⁴ Aged 23 at his father's death.

⁵ Davy, *Suffolk Colls.*, Add. MSS. His widow's portrait is in glass in window of Long Melford Church, Suffolk, as "Anna Montgomerie."

Edward IV ; but John was accused of complicity in the earl of Oxford's conspiracy, was arrested with Tuddenham and William Tyrrell, 12 Feb., and beheaded on Tower Hill, 23 Feb. 1463.¹ His bro. got his lands—a bad business.

MONTGOMERY, Sir THOMAS, K.G. (1430-95); of Faulkbourn, Essex, K.G. Keeper of the Mint 1450-66; Marshal of the Hall 1447-53; Knight of the Body 1461-83; King's Carver; P.C.; lawyer. M.P. ESSEX (? 1463-5), 1467-8, 1478, (? 1483 June, 1484).

Younger son of Sir John Montgomery of same, M.P. (d. 1449), by Elizabeth Botiller, lady of Say (d. 1465), sister of Ralph, lord Sudeley;² m. (1) Philippe, da. and coh. of John Helyon, and (2) Lora, da. of Sir Edward Berkeley and widow of John Blount, lord Mountjoy.³ He is called 30 and more at his mother's death, but must in fact have been nearer 35.

He was a Marshal of the Hall by July 1447;⁴ accounts as warden of the mint 1450-68, and he was exempted from resumption in 1449-50 up to £23 a year.⁵ In May 1453 he was assigned as "counsell" for John Lyalton, who had appealed Robert Norris of treason and was to fight it out on 25 June at Smithfield.⁶ He was pardoned, 24 Feb. 1459, as "esq., warden of the mint" (m.29).

The favourite rose quickly. Knighted at Towton, 29 Mar. 1461; warden of the mint from Easter; link-armourer of the Tower and steward of Havering, 8 July; J.P. Essex, of the quorum, 14 July; J.P. Bucks., 20 July; King's carver and knight of the body, 22 July; sheriff of Norfolk and Suffolk, 7 Nov.; had custody of Grey's, Essex, 24 Nov. 1461. The Parliament exempted his £40 pension "as long as he bere himself well."⁷ In Feb. 1462 he got 2/3rds of Salden, Bucks.; in Mar. a further £20 pension out of Norfolk and Suffolk of which he was sheriff. He was pardoned, 12 June 1462, "of Faulkbourne, Essex, knight of the King's household" (m.22); and he is called, 15 Sept. 1462, "King's knight, one of the King's servers." In Feb. 1463 his elder bro. John was arrested on a, possibly, trumped-up charge of treason and beheaded on Tower Hill; his mother died and henceforth Sir Thomas enjoyed the family seat of Faulkbourn also, but with a tarnished reputation. In July 1464 Sir Thomas was made sheriff of Anglesey for life, and he was still sheriff there in 1482. In Mar. 1466 he was sent to negotiate with Charles the Bold and Louis XI.⁸ Sheriff again of Norfolk and Suffolk 1466-7, and returned to Parliament for Essex while sheriff next door. That Parliament exempted him and all his grants from resumption.⁹ In 1468 he sailed with Wenlock, Howard, Scott and Paston, conveying the Lady Margaret to Flanders. Edward sent him to Clarence to make him see reason in July 1469, and when the rebels under Robin of Redesdale beheaded the King's favourite Humphrey Stafford, earl of Devon, the earl's office of constable of Bristol was transferred to Montgomery, presumably by Warwick, 20 Oct. 1469. When the King fled in Sept. 1470, John Paston wrote to Margaret "Sir Thomas Montgomery and London be taken (by Warwick) what shall falle of hem I can not say."¹⁰ Yet Warwick did not dare do

¹ Gregory, *Chronicle of London*, p. 218; Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 233.

² *Letters of Margaret of Anjou*, 105.

³ *Wardrobe Accts. Ed. IV*, 251; Davy, Suffolk Colls.

⁴ Issue Rolls, East. 25 Hen. VI., No. 738.

⁶ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. pp. 129, 134.

⁸ *Foedera*, VI. ii. 138, 139.

⁹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 582.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* v. 193.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. 475.

¹⁰ *Paston Letters*, ii. 412.

more than remove him from the bench. He may have hoped for his support, for nothing is heard of him at Barnet or Tewkesbury and he did not sit in the 1472-5 Parliament. He was, however, restored to the bench and exempted from resumption.¹

Edward sent him to the duke of Burgundy at Neuss in Dec. 1474, but he was back in England the following month.² His reward was the stewardship of all the Essex forests. In the expedition to France in Aug. 1475, Montgomery was a banneret leading 10 men at arms and 100 archers. He was one of the King's feoffees and on his council at Picquigny.³ It was worth while for the King of France to pay him a pension of 1200 crowns a year as retainer.⁴ More custodies, heirs and keeperships followed from Edward. In Nov. 1475 he conveyed Margaret of Anjou from Sandwich and delivered her to the French at Rouen. A year later he was made K.G., companion in chivalry of Charles the Bold, 4 Nov. 1476. In July 1477 he was negotiating with the French Ambassadors; in Dec. 1478 in Flanders, negotiating currency and exchange.⁵ Next he was treating for the marriage of Princess Anne with the son of Maximilian. In June 1480 he was sent to Flanders to arrange duchess Margaret's visit to England, and he returned with her in September. More grants followed, and in Feb. 1482 he was back in Flanders. In Dec. 1482 he and Vaughan were sent to Maximilian,⁶ so that both probably missed Edward's last Parliament. That Parlt. exempted him from the Act of Apparel.

Unlike Vaughan, he prospered under Richard III and from him had grants of land totalling £412 a year.⁷ He was "King's Counsellor"; pardoned, 24 June 1484, "of Falkbourne, *alias* J.P. *alias* bailiff of the hundred of Rochford" (m.29). In Aug. 1484 he was treating with Maximilian for a commercial treaty with Flanders, in Feb. 1485 with the ambassadors from Brittany. He avoided Bosworth. The Parliament of 1485 exempted his grant from Edward IV of the stewardship of Havering; and he was pardoned, 14 Oct. 1487, as "of Falkborn, Essex, late tenant of Earl's Colne, Essex, late tenant of castle Hedingham, late keeper of the lands late of Edith late wife of John Grene" (m.23). He was still on the Essex bench and had a "reward" of £2 5s. 4d. in 1488. It was "expected that the King would visit" him, in Mar. 1489.⁸ He was one of the feoffees for Henry VII's will in 1491,⁹ and he must have retained throughout most of his early grants, though not his household offices; for, in Dec. 1493, the reversions on his death of the Rochford bailivy and the Rayleigh stewardship were granted to the earl of Oxford.

He was present at Court at the creation of the duke of York in 1494; but he died 2 Jan. 1495, when Alice, aged 40 (*sic*!) and more, wife of Robert Langley, was his sister and heir; Lora, lady Mountjoy, his wife; lands—Essex. From these bare facts of his life, greed and ingratitude stand out as clearly as any luck or diplomacy. The French pension was not perhaps treachery; Howard and Hastings took it also. But no one could trust such excessive time-serving as that of Montgomery through five revolutions.

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 16, 81, 90.

² *Foedera*, V. iii. 59.

³ *ibid.* V. iii. 65.

⁴ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 146.

⁵ *Foedera*, V. iii. 97.

⁶ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 355.

⁷ Ramsay, *Lancaster & York*, ii. 534.

⁸ *Paston Letters*, iii. 353.

⁹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 444.

MOODY (MODY), EDMUND (1455-1509); of Malmesbury and of Westport, Wilts. Lawyer. M.P. Malmesbury 1491-2.

S. of John Moody of Moody's place, Eldersfield, Worcs., by a da. of Warnford of Wilts.; *m.* Elizabeth da. of — Leigh of Isle of Wight; sons, John and Richard.¹

Admtd. Lincoln's Inn, 14 July 1475; gave 40s. for rebuilding the Hall, 1489;² on comn. in western counties, 1492; J.P. Wilts., 3 Dec. 1496 till death; comnr. in Wilts. 1502; subsidy comnr., Wilts., apptd. in Parlt. 1504.³

D. 1509. Will, dat. 18 Jan., pr. 12 Feb. 1509. To be bur. in St. Mary Virgin, Westport in Malmesbury. Bequests to son John, to da. Anne, and to wife Elizabeth who is sole exix. Supervisor, Robert Laurence.⁴

But the greatest event of his life was the saving of the future King from drowning. The Visitn. pedigree of Moody of Hurst by Wokingham, Berks., begins with *Edward* Moody and says "to this Edward Moody was granted the augmentation in the chiefe, for saving the King Henry 8 from drowning in Hitchen in Harefordshire."⁵ Moreover the King gave him the manor of Garsden near Malmesbury. In 1640 a Moody sold it to a Washington of Sulgrave and migrated to New England. So, in the mysterious ways of Providence, a Washington became for a time owner of Stonehenge.⁶

MOODY (MODY), RICHARD; of Co. Wilts. M.P. Wootton Bassett 1472-5.

John Moody and Agnes his wife were granted a pension of £5 a year for life out of Merston-Meysey, Wilts., 24 Nov. 1461. And an *Edmund* Moody was M.P. for Malmesbury in 1491 (*q.v.*).

MOOR see MORE.

MOORDON see MORDEN.

MOORE see MORE.

MOOREHOUSE, ROBERT (1460-1510); of Cambridge. M.P. Cambridge boro' 1504.⁷

Bailiff of Cambridge 1489-90;⁸ J.P. boro', 1494 till death; mayor 1497-9 and 1502-4. On comn. for repair of Gt. Bridge, 1499; largely instrumental in obtaining a settlement of the disputes between the town and the university;⁹ on gaol delivery, Cambridge, 12 Dec. 1509.

D. to judge from his J.P. ships 1510/3.

MORDAUNT, Sir JOHN (1455-1504); of Turvey, Beds. Serjt.-at-law 1495-9; C.J. of Chester 1499-1504; Chanc. of the Duchy 1504. M.P. Somewhere, 1485-6, 1487 (SPEAKER), 1489-90; Grantham 1491-2; BEDFORDSHIRE 1495. Sumnd. 1497, 1504.

S. of William Mordaunt of Turvey (dead in 1481), by Margaret da. of John Peeke of Cople, Beds. (*q.v.*); *m.* Edith da. and coh. of Sir Nicholas Latimer of

¹ Harl. MSS. 1443, Brit. Mus.

² *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, 91.

³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 535.

⁴ P.C.C., 13 Bennett.

⁵ *Visitn. Berks.* 113.

⁶ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

⁷ Elected while mayor.

⁸ Cooper, *Annals of Cambridge*, 239, 251.

⁹ Milner Gray, *Biog. Notes*, 20.

Duntish, Dorset, M.P., and widow of John Green of Stortford; issue John, afterwards lord Mordaunt of Turvey, 1529.¹

J.P. Beds., of the quorum, 14 June 1483 till death, and for six other counties by 1495; one of the commanders at Stoke fight, 16 June 1487; elected SPEAKER, 9 Nov. 1487; for his services in which office the King gave him a "reward" of £100. As he sat for Grantham boro' in 1491, and was only a young lawyer in 1487, it is quite possible that he was the first borough member to be elected Speaker. Apptd. serjeant-at-law, 10 Sept. 1495; King's serjt.-at-law, 25 Nov. 1495; sumnd. to Parlt. as King's serjt.-at-law 1497, 1504; C.J. of Chester, c. 1499; knntd., 18 Feb. 1503; steward of Cambridge University, 6 Apr. 1504; Chanc. of the Duchy by 24 June 1504,² in succession to Sir Reynold Bray.

D. 5 Sept./6 Dec. 1504; buried at Turvey where his altar tomb survives. Will, dat. 5 Sept., pr. 6 Dec. 1504.²

MORDEN (MOORDON), REYNOLD (1420-80); of Arundel? M.P. Arundel 1453-4, 1467-8.

Undiscovered, but probably a local burgess.

MORE, RICHARD (1435-96); of Burghfield, Berks. Serjt. of the Catery 1462-80; marshal of the Hall, 1480-3. M.P. Reading 1483 Jan., 1483 June, 1489-90, 1491-2.

Probably s. of Thomas More M.P. (1410-60); *m.* (1) Elizabeth, da. and h. of William Brocas, by whom he had John, and Elizabeth *m.* Sir John Williams (*q.v.*); and (2) Katherine who survived him.³

Pardoned, 14 Dec. 1459, as "of Birfield", evidently Yorkist. Apptd. to purvey oxen and muttons for the Household, 29 Mar. 1462. By Mar. 1464 he was buyer of the Household; by 1468, serjeant of the catery. Bucks. elector 1467; on comn. there, 16 Oct. 1471; pardoned, 3 Mar. 1473, as "of Birfield and serjt. of the catery" (*m.32*); buyer of the great kitchen, 1479.⁴ He was a marshal of the Hall, when the custody of Stratfield-Mortimer was confirmed to him, 3 Nov. 1480. Only then did he begin to sit for Reading. He was sworn a burgess preparatory to being elected the same day, 27 Dec. 1482—never sat under Richard III, but when pardoned by Henry VII, 21 Jan. 1486, he was called "late collr. of subsidy on cloth" in all the southern counties, "late serjt. of the catery, and late buyer for Edward IV"⁵—so that he may have held office under Richard and may then have been made collr. of the subsidy on cloth.

D. 9 Feb. 1496, when John, aged 21, was his s. and h.; widow Katherine; lands—Berks. and Hants. Will, dat. 11 June 1495, pr. 20 Mar. 1496—of Birfield, esq.⁶

¹ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir John Mordaunt.

² To be bur. at Turvey or where he dies. Prayers for Henry VII, for soul of Elizabeth, Queen consort, and souls of King's ancestors; for souls of William and Margaret, his parents, for Edith his w., da. and coh. of Nicholas Latimer knnt., and for Anne, late Countess of Warwick, and all his benefactors. Edith his w. to have £100 a year; bequests to sons John and William. Exors.:—his bro. William Mordaunt, John Vinter, and William Gascoigne (P.C.C., 22 Holgrave). ³ *Visitn. Hants*, 40. ⁴ *Exchq. Accts.* 18-19 Ed. IV. ⁵ *Pardon Roll*, 1486 (*m.7*).

⁶ To be bur. in Whitefriars, Fleet st. Prayers for self and Elizabeth, late his wife. 100 marks to John his s. to defend his lands and tenements by the oversight of Thomas Wode, serjt.-at-law (*q.v.*), and John Williams of the Household of the King, esq. (*q.v.*). Mentions das. Maud, Elizabeth, Agnes and Isabel Doyly. Katherine his wife residuary legatee and exix. His grandda. Katherine, da. of John More his son, to have 20 marks. Pr. on oath of John More his s. and John Williams (P.C.C., 32 Vox).

MORE, ROBERT (1440-95); of Chichester. M.P. Chichester 1472-5.

Constable of Chichester (named second) 1470-2, 1477-9;¹ a Sussex elector 1478. In 1486 Robert Mores was master of *le Heryng*, and Robert Plumer, master of *le Peter* of Winchelsea.²

MORE (MOORE), THOMAS; of Rochester, gent. M.P. Rochester 1450-1.³

Such a man was a feoffee in London in 1454 and a Thomas More, gent., was owed £10 in London in 1457. But Geoffrey Poole of London, esq., and Thomas More of Rochester, gent., were mainpernors for the prior and convent of Ledes for the keeping of the manor of Ledes, 17 Nov. 1451;⁴ which proves this member to be a local man.

MORE, THOMAS (1410-60); of Bourton, Bucks. King's Serjeant. M.P. Wycombe 1450-1.

Perhaps s. of Roger More M.P. Wycombe 1413-32, an elector in Wycombe 1435, 1437, 1442.

A coroner was to be elected in Jan. 1430 in place of Thomas More of Bourton, Bucks.⁵ Sworn to the peace in Bucks., 1434; a feoffee of West Stratford, Bucks., 1436,⁶ of Newton Sermonville, Som., 1442;⁷ Bucks. county elector, 1442, 1449 (1), 1449 (2) and 1453; acted for the sheriff of Oxon. and Berks., 1448;⁸ elected to Parlt. 1450; a King's serjeant-at-arms, Nov. 1454;⁹ as of Great Wycombe he was bound in £80 to John Blackpole, 1455/6;¹⁰ a feoffee in London in 1455. As "gent." he was owed £10 in Oxon. in 1457.¹¹

Soon after he must have died. He is perhaps the father of Richard More of Burghfield, Berks., M.P. (1435-96). A Thomas More was groom of the lardery in 1454.¹² If this be our man, he may well be father of Richard More.¹³

MORE, Sir THOMAS (1478-1535); Under-sheriff of London 1510-18;¹⁴ Master of Requests and P.C. 1518-32; SPEAKER 1523; Chanc. of the Duchy 1525-9; Lord Chancellor 1529-32; lawyer. M.P. 1504, (? 1510), (? 1512), (? 1515), 1523 (SPEAKER); sumnd. 1529.

B. 7 Feb. 1478, only surviving s. of Sir John More of Gobions manor in N. Mimms, Herts., serjt.-at-law (1454-1530), by Anne da. of Thomas Graunger *alias* Hancombe of Holywell, Beds., and sheriff of London. M. (1) 1505 Jane

¹ *Sussex N. & Q.* v. pp. 164, 165.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1486), 130.

³ See also Thomas More elected for Wycombe to this Parlt.

⁴ Fine Roll, 30 Hen. VI (m.17). ⁵ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1430), 29. ⁶ *Geneal. N.S.* xviii. 27.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1442), 87.

⁸ *ibid.* (1448), 148.

⁹ Issue Roll, Mich. 33 Hen. VI, No. 800. ¹⁰ *Hist. MSS. Comm. Wycombe MS.* v. 564.

¹¹ Letters of Attorney were issued, 11 June 1457, by Thomas More of Buckingham and Florence his wife and John Ardrun of Oxon., gents., authorising delivery of seisin of Baynton, Oxon., to feoffees, Edmund Rede (M.P.) and others (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 213).

¹² *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 229.

¹³ 12 June 1477. Thomas More of Lawrence Waltham, Berks., gent., and Humphrey Wellesborne were mainpernors for Thomas Wellesborne (*q.v.*) (Fine Roll, 17 Edw. IV, m.9).

¹⁴ Owing to some mistake in the regnal year the date of More's surrender of the office of Undersheriff of London has been usually given as 1519. As he gave up the post as being inconsistent with his office under the Crown as Master of Requests, it is important to notice that the date should be 23 July 1518. *Harpsfield's Life of More*, ed. Hitchcock and Chambers, p. 313.

(*d.* 1511) eld. da. of John Colte M.P. of Newhall near Chelmsford ; (2) 1511 Alice widow of — Middleton.

This is not the appropriate volume in which to summarise the life of Sir Thomas More, nor are we the proper people to attempt it. Three points needing comment do, however, directly affect our period.

Doubt has been expressed as to his son-in-law's statement that More sat in the 1504 Parlt. at the age of 25. Dr. Chambers thinks he may well have done so. We know now that very large numbers of young lawyers sat in 15th century Parliaments—that about 1/3rd of the Judges graduated there. Indeed More's absence in 1504 would have been stranger than his presence, considering his circle and ability. Roper, being confirmed in this, may be the more trusted in the account he gives of More's efficient use of that seat in Parlt.¹ That the maiden effort of a young member of the Commons House should have dashed the governments' plans and defeated a vote of supply is, if true, an unparalleled revelation of the power of the Commons House of Parliament and of independence in that House. The nearest parallel, and that but a faint one, is the denunciation and fate of the government in the 1450 Parliament. There was to be nothing like it again for over 100 years.

But More is even more valuable for a proper understanding of his time and colleagues. How far was he himself a sample ? Of all these 2,600 M.P.s he is the only one of whom we may say :—we know his friends, his thoughts, the opinions of him by those who knew him—all in addition to his public actions. Of the others we know only their public actions—nor all of those—with a last will occasionally coming from the heart. The lawyers were the best educated, most like ourselves ; of them we have occasional glimpses. If More, Reynold Bray, Edmund Dudley, Nicholas Statham, or even the Pastons were fair samples, then their human nature, loyalty, courage and conscience were not very different from those qualities as displayed today by their successors. Only their 15th century loyalty and courage was hardly influenced by love of England or of English traditions (a growth of the next century), or by that example which they themselves have set us.

MOREDOCK, JOHN (1430–90) ; of Stamford. M.P. Stamford 1472–5, 1483 (2), 1484.

On 14 July 1456 the keeping of a shop in Stamford was granted to Thomas Luyt and John Murdok on the mainprize of John Asshe of London, gent., and John Polsted of the same.² A Stamford elector 1467.

MOREIS, MORES see MORRIS.

MORESBY, Sir CHRISTOPHER (14413–99) ; of Scaleby and Windermere. Steward of Penrith 1484–99. M.P. WESTMORLAND 1467–8, (? 1484).

S. and h. of Christopher Moresby of Moresby and Windermere⁴ (*d.* 1460), s. and h. of Christopher Moresby (*d.* 1442) by the Tilliol coheiress ; *m.* Margaret eld. da. of Lancelot Threlkeld of Yanwath, Westd.⁵

¹ For an interesting discussion on this point, see Harpsfield's *Life of More*, ed. Hitchcock & Chambers, pp. 308–9.

² Fine Roll, 34 Hen. VI (m.5).

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1455 (m.15).

³ Aged 19 at his father's death in 1460.

⁵ *Ex inf.* H. Hornyold-Strickland.

Elector, Cumberland, 1467 (when elected for Westmorland), 1472, 1478; eschr. Cumbd. and Westd. 1464-5; kntd. at Tewkesbury 4 May 1471;¹ sheriff, Cumbd., 10 June to 9 Nov. 1471, 1485-8, 1495 to 12 Feb. 1497; pardoned, 9 Mar. 1472;² on comns., mostly Cumbd. but some Yorks. or Westd., from July 1471 to 1497—including all those of Richard III; J.P. Cumbd., 20 June 1473 to 24 Mar. 1487; J.P. Westd., 6 May 1474 to 10 Nov. 1475, and 14 May 1483 till death. In 1474 he was granted the keeping of the passage of Sulwath water (Solway) in the Scottish march. On 3 Mar. 1483 he was pardoned as "knight", *alias* of "Wyninderweth", Westd., *alias* late of Burgham, *alias* late of Scaleby, Cumbd. (m.4).

Moresby was a servant to Richard III, who made him steward of Penrith with £40 a year—the usual fee of a knight of the Body. He made him keeper of the peace with Scotland³—probably keeper of Carlisle of which his yr. bro. was porter. He remained a King's servant under Henry VII and at the old pay. Henry reapptd. him steward of Penrith "trusting in the wisdom, truth and sadness of welbeloved Sir Christopher."⁴ In Mar. 1488 he was treating with the Scots for the better observation of the truce. In May 1499 he was pardoned as "of Highead, *alias* of Scaleby, Cumb., *alias* late sheriff." On 6 July he and Anne his da. acquired the wardship of Anne's son, Christopher Pickering; and Moresby himself died 25 July 1499. Anne his heiress, aged 30, *m.* (1) James Pickering (*d.* 1498), and (2) Humphrey Coningsby C.J. She died 1523.⁵

MORESBY, JAMES (1445-1508/9); of Goldberry, Cumbd.; forester of Inglewood 1476-91; Yeoman of the Chamber 1476-83. M.P. CUMBERLAND 1478.

Yr. s. of Christopher Moresby of Windermere (*d.* 1460) by Margaret, and yr. bro. of Sir Christopher M.P. (1441-99).

Elector, Cumbd., 1472; being yeoman of the chamber, he was made forester on Inglewood, 1476; keeper of Inglewood with fees, 1479; porter of Carlisle castle with fees, Jan. 1480; bailiff of Boston and porter of Boston gaol (vacant by death of Hugh Moresby, King's servant), 23 Apr. 1480. He seems to have suffered eclipse under Richard III, but Henry VII confirmed to him the forestership of Inglewood, 15 Nov. 1485,⁶ the master-portership of Carlisle, 22 Nov. 1486,⁷ and made him eschr. of Cumbd. and Westd. 1486-7. He lost the forestership, 4 Feb. 1491;⁸ was pardoned as "of Goldberry, Cumbd., esq., late eschr. for Edward IV", 13 Feb. 1501 (m.43); and released arrears as eschr., 28 July 1508.

He was probably dead within a year for he does not occur in the Pardon Roll of 1509/10.

MORGAN, PHILIP (1410-73); of Chilterne, Wilts.; lawyer. M.P. Marlborough 1442; Salisbury 1449 (1);⁹ Westbury 1472 till death.

¹ *Paston Letters*, iii. 9.

² "Knight, late esq., late sheriff of Cumbd., late escheator of Cumbd. and Westmd., s. and h. of Christopher Moresby, late sheriff of Westmorland."

³ *Foedera*, V. iii. 152.

⁴ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 224.

⁵ *Geneal. N.S.* xxvi. 214.

⁶ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 163.

⁷ *ibid.* ii. 89.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1491), 346.

⁹ Whittocksmede and Morgan were paid for their expenses in the Parlt. of 1449 (1), as burgesses for Salisbury, £11 6s. 6d.; and Morgan was paid further for riding to Winchester to enquire as to the coming of the King to Salisbury, 10s. (Benson and Hatcher, *Old and New Sarum*, 131).

M. (1) Edeyne, da. of Thomas Micheldever,¹ and (2) Agnes da. of John Lyte of Lytescary, Som.,² who survived him and m. Thomas Grise of Elme, Som.

He fined for land in Dorset, 1435;³ on comns. in Somerset 1443; pardoned, as of Chilterne, Wilts., gent., May 1448; elector, Wilts., 1449 (2) and 1459; pardoned, 10 June 1452, as "of Chilterne, Wilts., esq., *alias* yeoman, *alias* of Berkeley, Soms., *alias* of Bristol" (m.28); J.P. Wilts., of the quorum, 28 Nov. 1454 to 18 Nov. 1458, and 22 July 1461 to 20 June 1471; on Wilts. comns. 1457 to 1472. In Feb. 1455 he was admt'd. to Lincoln's Inn,⁴ and assigned to the new chamber in the Inn, with John Levymore, 1459/60.⁵ Probably he was already a lawyer. He was a feoffee for Richard Page at Warminster, Wilts., in 1460; and, as King's servitor, for good service to the King Edward and the King's father, Philip Morgan was granted the custody of the lands of William Walsale in co. Leicester, and the marriage of the heir, 5 Sept. 1462.

D. 18 June 1473, when Gregory,⁶ aged 5, was his s. and h.; lands—Wilts. Another Philip Morgan was bp. of Ely in the preceding generation.

MORISLAW, THOMAS; of Newcastle, gent. M.P. Newcastle-on-Tyne 1447.

An elector, Newcastle, 1442; also keeper of the smaller piece of the statute-merchant seal at Newcastle, 1442. The pardon roll of 1446 includes Morislawe as "of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, late of the bishopric of Durham, gent." (m.12).

MORLEY, NICHOLAS (1410-72/4); of Aspenden, Herts., and Glynde, Sussex; soldier. M.P. HERTFORDSHIRE 1435, 1437, 1442, 1445-6; Bramber 1453-4; Shoreham 1460-1; East Grinstead 1467-8. Yorkist.

S. of Francis Morley of Lancs., by Margaret da. of Edward Bekonsall of Bekonsall;⁷ m. (1) Jane (b. 1404), third da. and coh. of John Waleys of Glynde (d. 1418), by Jane da. and coh. of Robert Turke of Aspenden, Herts.;⁸ and (2) Mary Cawood in whose issue Glynde continued for 250 years. By Jane Waleys he had a s. and h. Robert Morley of Glynde whose will was pr. 1516; he died without issue.⁷

J.P. Herts., 14 Nov. 1435 to 28 Mar. 1437; eschr., Herts., 1439-40; sheriff, Essex and Herts., 1442-3, pardoned as of Aspedon, esq., 6 July 1446; elector,

¹ Philip Morgan, and Edeyne his wife, da. of Thomas Micheldever, sue the feoffees of Thomas's lands in Devon and Somerset (*Early Chan. Proc.* 28/403).

² *Ex inf.* Storey Maskelyne esq.

³ Philip Morgan and John Pyle, complainants, and John Clement and Lucy his wife, John Papegay and Edith his wife, and Thomas Peter and Alice his wife, deforciant, fine *re* land in East Bakebare, Dorset. Complainants grant the same to Thomas Peter and Alice, and heirs of her body, with remainders to the others (*Dorset Feet of Fines*, 346).

⁴ Pardoned all vacations for 3s. 4d.

⁵ For which he paid 6s. 8d.; nor is he to be turned out unless another chamber with a fireplace is assigned to him (*Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, pp. 23, 34).

⁶ In 1475/85 Gregory and John sons of Philip and Agnes Morgan sue Thomas Grise of Elme, subsequent husband of Agnes, for failure to pay allowance promised them in consideration of marrying their mother (*Early Chan. Proc.* 60/110).

⁷ *Sussex Arch. Colls.* xx. 60.

⁸ The four das.—Beatrice, Jane I, Jane II and Agnes—all appear in the deed enrolled at Hillary 1456 in the King's Bench (*Geneal. N.S.* xviii. 237); and it is clear that at that time Morley did not own Glynde. But in 1461 he and Jane were suing his brother-in-law, Richard Lee, who had married the other Jane, for the manor of Glynde (*Early Chan. Proc.* 27/58, 28/431).

Herts., 1447; on Herts. comns. 1451 and 1457. He was retained with 20 men at arms for service, in France, Nov. 1449 and Mar. 1450.¹ By 1460 he was Yorkist, and was comsnd., 3 Feb. 1461, to call together the King's lieges of Herts., Cambs. and Hunts. against Queen Margaret and the army of the North. The same year he was purveying horses from Herts., Beds., and Bucks.; J.P. Herts., 14 July 1461 to 3 Oct. 1464; J.P. Sussex, 8 Aug. 1463 till death.

D. between 26 July 1472 and July 1474.²

MORRIS (MOREIS), JOHN (1405-70); of Trumpington, esq. M.P. CAMBRIDGESHIRE 1447.

Perhaps s. of Nicholas Morris, M.P. Cambs. 1414.

As John Morys of Cambridge esq. he was bound to John Burgoyne of Dry Drayton in £50, recognisance entered, 12 Feb. 1432;³ sworn to the peace in Cambs., as "of Trumpington", 1434; elector, Cambs., 1442, 1449 (1) esq., 1449 (2), 1453 esq., 1467. J.P. Cambs., 6 Feb. 1446 to 12 Feb. 1448.

MORRIS (MORES), JOHN (1440-1501/2); of Presteign, Radnor. M.P. Leominster 1467-8.

Perhaps s. of Edmund Morris, a Herefordshire elector in 1449; *m.* Alice da. and h. of Thomas Monmouth M.P. of Leominster.⁴

In 1479 Sir John Barre sued John Morris and Alice his wife for land near Hereford;⁵ and in 1488 Morris and Alice his wife were themselves suing for the Monmouth inheritance. Eschr., Heref., 1493-4.⁶

D. 1501/2. Will, dat. 1 Nov. 1501, pr. 1 Mar. 1502. John Mores of Presteign, Radnor, and of Hereford. Bequests to Wigmore Abbey; to his s. and h. Hugh the reversion of his lands on the death of his mother; bequests to sons John, Piers, Richard and William; to s. John his house in Norton. Exors.:—Dom Clement ap Griffith, Thomas Shurley, William Morris, and Alienor my wife. Supervisor, Piers Skydmore.⁷

MORRIS (MORYS), ROBERT (1395-1455); of Reading. M.P. Reading 1419, 1442.

One of the XXIV for Reading, 1432; mayor, 1417, 1420, 1426, 1429, 1433, 1440-41;⁸ elector, Reading, 1417, 1420, 1421, 1422, 1423, 1426, 1427, 1429, 1431, 1435, 1437, 1447, 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1450 and 1453; a pledge 1447; elected to a committee 1451. He subscribed to the repairs of St. Laurence's, Reading, in 1440.⁹

MORTIMER, Sir JOHN (1450-1504); of Cure. Squire of the Body 1481-5; knt. of the Body 1485-1504. M.P. WORCESTERSHIRE 1495.

Only s. of Sir Hugh Mortimer of Mortimer Hall, Hants (*d. c.* 1455), by Eleanor¹⁰ da. of Sir John Cornwall, baron of Burford, and a g.s. of Sir Hugh Mortimer,

¹ Issue Rolls, Mich. 28 Hen. VI, No. 777.

² To judge from his comns. of the peace in Sussex.

³ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1432), 171.

⁴ *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. 227.

⁵ *ibid.* xx. 38.

⁶ Fine Roll, 9 Hen. VII (m.7).

⁷ P.C.C., 5 Blamyr.

⁸ In Feb. 1441 Robert Moreys, mayor of Reading, was repaid money which he had lent to the King (Issue Rolls).

⁹ Kerry, *Hist. of Church of St. Laurence, Reading*.

¹⁰ On Sir Hugh's death she rem. Sir Richard Croft (*q.v.*) and was "their lady governess" to the youthful earls of March and Rutland at Ludlow (Strickland, *Lives of the Queens*, ii. 6).

killed at Agincourt.¹ *M.* Margaret third da. and coh. of John Nevill, marquess Montagu (slain 1471), and widow of Thomas Horne. She *m.* (3) Charles Brandon, duke of Suffolk, who divorced her.

One of the King's "henxmen" in June 1468;² he sued for trespass in Mdsx. 1472;³ sheriff, Heref., 1477-8, 1481-2; as King's servant he was made steward of Abberley, Worcs., during Warwick's minority, 15 Aug. 1480; exempted from resumption as squire of the body, Feb. 1483;⁴ continued as squire of the Body by Richard III with £40 a year out of Abberley and Shrawley, Worcs.;⁵ on Heref. comns. of array 1484, Dec. 1488 and 1496. He adhered to Henry VII, had a fresh grant of the stewardship of Abberley; kntd. and knt. of the Body 1485; J.P. Worcs., 1485; sheriff, Worcs., 1485-6; parker of Netherwood, Worcs., and all exempted from resumption by Parlt. 1485-6. After Parlt. was dissolved he had grant in tail male of Upton Snodsbury, etc., Worcs., forfeited by Francis, lord Lovell, 4 Mar. 1486; on Worcs. comns. 1485 onwards; made a banneret at Stoke fight, 16 June 1487;⁶ again sheriff, Heref., 1493-4 and 1501-2; subsidy comnr. Worcs., apptd. in Parlt. 1504.⁷

D. shortly before 1 Nov. 1504, when his writ *diem clausit* was sent to the eschrs. of Worcs., Heref. and Salop.⁸ His keepership of Netherwood was granted elsewhere on 12 Nov.

MORTON, ROBERT (1440-90); of Lincoln's Inn, barrister. M.P. Shaftesbury 1478.

A relative of Cardinal Morton (1420-1500) who came from Dorset, and of William Morton M.P. for Shaftesbury, 1437.⁹ *M.* Agnes, heiress of land in Kent.

Admtd. to Lincoln's Inn, Mich. 1471, holding the usual offices till Autumn Reader 1483, and Governor 1485-6. In 1478-83 John Morton, later cardinal, was bp. of Ely. The bishop's exors. for the manor of Milborne,¹⁰ Dorset, were Thomas Morton, gent.¹¹ (son of William bro. of the cardinal), Robert Morton, clerk, keeper of the rolls, Thomas Morton, clerk, Richard Morton (bro. of the cardinal), and *Robert Morton, gent.*; ¹² therefore Robert, too, may well be the bro. of Cardinal Morton. Cambridge corpn. paid 20s. for his counsel;¹³ J.P. Cambs., of the quorum, 4 June 1479 to 5 Dec. 1483, while John was bp. of Ely; eschr., Notts. and Derbys., 1481-2;¹⁴ on Cambs. comns. 1480 to 1486, including the subsidy comns. of Apr. 1483 and Aug. 1484; pardoned, 27 Feb. 1484, as of London, gent. *alias* late J.P. Cambs. In Dec. 1485 John Forster and Morton had the keeping of North Bushey.¹⁵ With Agnes his wife he brought an assise of novel disseisin against John Jerningham *re* land in Lympne, Dymchurch and Selling, Kent, 14 Apr. 1486.

He was dead by 1501 when Thomas Morton (*q.v.*) was the only surviving feoffee of the Cardinal.

¹ *Visitn. Kent*, 204. ² Issue Roll, 8 Edw. IV, No. 840. ³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1472), 431.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 201. ⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 502. ⁶ Shaw, *Knights*, ii. 24.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 535. ⁸ Fine Roll, 20 Hen. VII (m.1).

⁹ Thomas s. of William Morton was M.P. (1462-1504).

¹⁰ Generally called Milborne St. Andrew; there is a marble tomb in the church of John Morton, nephew of the Cardinal.

¹¹ Aged 30 and more at the Cardinal's death, 1500.

¹² *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. p. 247. ¹³ C. H. Cooper, *Annals of Cambridge*, i. 231.

¹⁴ Fine Roll, 21 Edw. IV (m.6).

¹⁵ Palmer's Index to the Fine Rolls.

MORTON, THOMAS (1462-1503/4); of Cirencester, lawyer. M.P. GLOUCESTERSHIRE (? 1485), 1491-2.

S. of William Morton and nephew and h. of the Cardinal¹ (1420-1500); *m.* (1) *c.* 1485 Dorothy² da. and h. of John Twyncho of Cirencester M.P. (1425-85); and (2) Margaret (? Roper).

He was perhaps an M.P. in 1485-6;³ was granted 40 marks a year, 8 Oct. 1485,³ and a £10 pension, Oct. 1486, in recompense for goods lost in the King's cause; J.P. Glos., of the quorum, 3 July 1486 till sheriff, and 7 Nov. 1490 till death; sheriff, Glos., 1488-9 with a £50 "reward"; on gaol deliveries in Gloucester 1491-2, and presided over a S. Wales comn., 1493.

D., judging by his comns. of the peace, between 14 July 1503 and 20 Nov. 1504; leaving an infant son John by his second wife Margaret, whose custody was granted in 1519 to John Roper.⁴ His s. and h. by Dorothy Twyncho was Robert Morton of Lechlade, *d.* 1514.⁵

MOSS (MOSES), ROBERT (1440-95); of Northampton. M.P. Northampton boro' 1472-5.

A bailiff of Northampton (Moss) 1467-8;⁶ Robt. Mose and W. Whitcock were to be distrained for 15s. as sureties for John Pamplion of Patshall, Staffs., 1487 or 1492.⁷

MOSLEY, RICHARD (1415-65); of Newcastle and of Keele, Staffs. M.P. Newcastle-under-Lyme 1450-1, 1455-6.

In 1444 Richard Moseley, yeoman of Newcastle, was charged that he had lain in wait to kill John Kingsley esq.⁸ Richard Mosley of Kele, Staffs., yeoman, *alias* Muslay, late of Newcastle-under-Lyme, yeoman, was pardoned, 20 June 1446 (*m.* 41). This family of Newcastle burgesses has no connection with Sir Oswald Mosley, bart., M.P.

MOSTON, JAMES (1410-70); of Bedford, yeoman. M.P. Bedford boro' 1447, 1449-50.

In Mar. 1439, in the long list of those Bedfordshire men pardoned for rioting or insurrection, occurs the name of James Moston of Bedford, yeoman. He was an elector of Bedford town in 1437, 1442, 1447 (when elected), 1449 (1), 1450, and 1467; occurs in a deed relating to land in Biddenham, 1449.⁹

MOTON, (Sir ?) WILLIAM (1430-82); of Pickleton. Servt. to Lord Hastings. M.P. LEICESTERSHIRE 1478.

¹ The Cardinal being bp. of Ely 1478-83, vested Milbourne, Dorset, in feoffees; these were *Thomas Morton, gent.*, Robert Morton, clerk, keeper of the rolls, Thomas Morton, clerk, Richard Morton and Robert Morton, gent. The only one surviving in 1501 was Thomas Morton, gent., this M.P.; and as son of William bro. of the Cardinal, he was the Cardinal's heir. His age is called 30 and more, but he must have been at least 39 if of age in 1483 (*Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*).

² Pardon Roll, 20 Dec. 1485, Thomas Morton late of London, gent., and Dorothy his wife, exix. of will of John Twyncho (1425-85), late of Cirencester esq., *alias* Thomas Morton late of Cirencester esq., *alias* late of London esq. (*m.* 11).

³ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 80.

⁴ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, II. ii. p. 1330.

⁵ He must not be confounded with Mr. Thomas Morton the clerk, nor with Thomas Morton (1452-1516), squire of the Body, who held lands in Surrey and Leics.

⁶ *Northampton boro' Records*, i. 307, 309; ii. 558.

⁷ *ibid.* i. 386.

⁸ *Staffs. Colls.* iii. N.S., 168.

⁹ *Cal.*, Mark D.D., T.W. 11/176, at Bedford Record Office.

S. and h. of Sir Robert Moton M.P. (*d.* 1456) by Elizabeth da. of Edmund Mulso M.P.; *m.* a da. of Sir Robert Harcourt of Stanton-Harcourt M.P.

Probably a member of Warwick's council, May 1461;¹ obtained from the crown certain rents in Leics. 1468; eschr., Warw. and Leics., 1467-8; J.P. Leics., 26 Apr. to 2 Dec. 1470, and 24 Oct. 1474 till death; sheriff, Leics. and Warw., 1471-2;² on comns., generally presiding, 1471-3; pardoned as "of Pekulton, Leics., esq., late eschr.", 8 Apr. 1472; exempted from resumption, 1473;³ a feoffee under the will of Sir Robert Harcourt, 1475; ? kntd. 1482.

D., to judge from his J.P.ships, 1482. Thomas Keeble and òrs., "exors. of William Moton esq. or knt., late sheriff", were pardoned, 20 Apr. 1486 (*m.* 13).

MOTTE, THOMAS. M.P. Appleby 1453-4.

As few Appleby M.P.s had anything to do with Appleby, this may be Thomas Motte of Canterbury, who was sworn to the peace in Kent in May 1434.

MOULE, JOHN (1415-60); of Winchester. ? Lawyer. M.P. Winchester 1449 (1).

Chamberlain of Winchester 1446-7, and while chamberlain he was sent to Eton, presumably on business with Waynflete, bp. of Winchester, who was provost of Eton in 1443, and became bishop in 1447. Moule was released by vote of boroughmote, from the obligation to serve as bailiff, Aug. 1446, on condition that he held for seven years the office of warden of St. John's hospital. He was sent to London on city business in 1452/3, and in the two following years he was given a fee of 20s. "*pro labore suo*", *i.e.*, clerical or legal work.⁴ Therefore, he may be supposed to be a lawyer.

MOUNFORD see MONTFORT.

MOUNFORD, WILLIAM. M.P. Carlisle 1491-2.

He was granted the free chapel of St. Mary, Windermere, 14 Aug. 1510;⁵ renewed, 21 Mar. 1511; grant also of two tenements there and 10 marks yearly for a chaplain's stipend. Probably a southerner.⁶

MOUNPESON see MOMPESON.

MOUNS, WILLIAM; of Launceston. M.P. Launceston 1449-50.

According to the Dunheved (Launceston) accounts, William Mounce was paid 20s. in 1450 as burgess for Launceston in Parliament.⁷ In 1461 a John Mowns, husbandman, occurs near Plymouth.

MOYLE, JOHN (1435-1500); of Eastwell, Kent.⁸ M.P. Bodmin 1467-8.
S. and h. of Sir Walter Moyle (1405-71) M.P., by Margaret (Lucombe);

¹ About May 1461 the following were feoffees for Henry Temple's lands in Leics.:—Sir John Bouchier, Sir William and Ralph Hastings, Edward Grey, Walter Wrottesley and William Moton (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 345). All the others were members of Warwick's Council, therefore, probably, Moton also.

² He was granted £160 out of the issues of his counties as reward, 22 Nov. 1471 (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 292).

³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 96.

⁴ *Ex inf.* J. S. Furley.

⁵ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, I. i. 329.

⁶ *Ex inf.* H. Hornyold-Strickland.

⁷ R. & O. Peters, *Launceston*, 131.

⁸ Vivian, *Cornish Pedigrees*, 334. He is probably not the John Moyle of Bake, Cornwall, J.P. (1430-94), son of Roger Moyle; for Sir Walter Moyle the judge came from Bodmin. See, however, *Dict. Nat. Biog.* where the Speaker, Sir Thomas Moyle, is said to be son of this John of Eastwell by a da. of Sir Robert Drury, and to have *d.* at Eastwell. It would seem that the Speaker must be of a later generation.

m. 1482 Anne da. and h. of Richard Fortescu of Hollocomb.¹ Anne survived him ; and his will provides for 3 das. and sons Giles, Walter, and William.¹

Pardoned as of Eastwell, gent., *alias* late of London, 11 Dec. 1471 ; on Devon comms. 1473 ; pardoned for not appearing, as of East Malling, Kent, 1486 ; eschr., Kent, 1488 ;² apptd. King's serjt.-at-arms, 15 Dec. 1489 ; never sumnd. to Parlt.

D. 21 Dec. 1500 ; Giles, aged 15, s. and h. ; lands—Buckwell and Ukkyng and Ulley in Kennington, Kent, and Stevenstone, Devon, with tenements in Plymouth.³

MOYLE (MOYLL), (Sir) WALTER (1405-71) ; of Stevenstone, Devon, and Eastwell, Kent ; Judge. M.P. Bodmin 1429-30, 1432 ; Liskeard 1442. Sumnd. 1445-6, 1447, 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1450-1, 1453-4, 1455-6, 1459, 1460-1, 1461-2, 1463-5, 1467-8, 1469, 1470-1.

Third s. of Thomas Moyle of Bodmin. He acquired his Devon lands by marriage with Margaret, da. of John Lucombe and coh. of Stevenstone, Devon.⁴

He was a reader at Gray's Inn ; serjt.-at-law 1443 ; sumnd. to Parlt. 1445 as serjt.-at-law ; "rewarded" for his service at the 1447 Parlt., Jan. 1449 ;⁵ King's serjt., 1454 ; Justice of the K.B., 9 July 1454 ; and throughout J.P. for Kent, 12 Nov. 1443 till death. In the Parlt. of 1453-4, on 14 Feb. 1454, Walter Moyle was the messenger sent from the Lords to the Commons to declare their decision that Speaker Thorpe's imprisonment (by Yorkists) held good and that the Commons must choose another Speaker. In July 1454, after Parlt. was dissolved, serjeants Moyle and Hyndeston (*q.v.*) were sent with the duke of York "to northern parts" to hold sessions and secure peace.⁶ Moyle was Trier of Petitions in the Parliaments of 1459, 1460 and 1461. On 26 May 1465 he acted as judge of the Common bench at the Queen's coronation, and was then kntd.

D. 1471—to judge from his J.P.ships—seised of lands in Devon and Somerset. He must, however, have left Devon for Kent by 1443, and he is described as "of Eastwell, Kent" in 1454. His s. and h. was John (1435-1500) M.P. Bodmin.⁷

MUCHGOOD, HENRY (1435-90) ; Clerk of the Stable. M.P. Heytesbury 1467-8.

Perhaps s. of Robert Muchgood, M.P. Cricklade 1449-50.

In Oct. 1462 Henry Muchgood, clerk of the stable, was granted by the abbot of Missenden an annuity of 6 marks, as John Hampden had had it. In Nov. 1480 he had obtained at the King's request, and still held, a corrody at Thetford Priory.⁸

MUCHGOOD (MUCHEGODE), ROBERT⁹ (1415-70) ; of Denham, Bucks., gent. M.P. Cricklade 1449-50.

In 1451 Thomas Osbern of London esq. and Thomas Bokeland (*q.v.*) of Gloucester gent. were mainpernors for Robert Muchgode for the farm of the subsidy and ulnage on wool in the county and borough of Worcester.¹⁰ In Jan. 1462 £20 was owed to Robert Muchgood, gent. of Denham, by a yeoman of Mdsx.

¹ See note ⁸ on p. 616.

³ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. Nos. 246, 422.

⁵ Issue Roll, Mich. 27 Hen. VI, No. 773.

⁷ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Walter Moyle.

⁹ Henry Muchgood was M.P. for Heytesbury in 1467, and clerk of the King's Stable in 1462.

¹⁰ Fine Roll, 30 Hen. VI (m.15).

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1488), 231.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/3.

⁶ Issue Roll, Easter 32 Hen. VI, No. 798.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1480), 224.

MULL see MILL.

MULLING (MULLYNG), JOHN (1415-57); of Canterbury. M.P. Canterbury 1445-6, 1449-50, 1450-1.

In 1445 Canterbury paid Mulling, as burgess of Parlt., a wage reduced from 2s. to 1s. a day. In July 1450 he was pardoned for being up with Cade! Mayor of Canterbury 1453-4 and 1454-5. D. 1457. Will pr. at Canterbury 4 Nov. 1457.¹ His wife Elizabeth survived him.

MULLINS (MOLENS), THOMAS (1445-1510); of Bridport and Whitchurch, Dorset. M.P. Bridport 1491-2.

Such a man was Devon comnr. 1469. The M.P. was pardoned, 13 June 1509, as Thomas Molens, Moleyns, Mulleyns, or Molence, of Bridport and Whitchurch, Dorset, of So. Tauton and Dounsmore, Devon, and of London—and he occurs frequently in the Bridport records.

MULSHO (MULSO), Sir EDMUND (1405-58); of Cavendish. Captain in France 1446; on York's council 1446-58. M.P. SUFFOLK 1450-1. Yorkist.

Yr. s. of Thomas Mulsho M.P. (1380-1445) by Anne, and yr. bro. of Thomas Mulsho M.P. (1405-60).

Kntd. by 20 June 1446, when he was pardoned, both as of "Caundissh", Suffolk, knt., and Captain of Pontlarge, Normandy (m.13); pardoned, 14 Feb. 1448, as "of Fotheringhay (York's castle), bail for Sir Robert Wingfield." He had letters of protection for one year to go with York to Ireland, Feb. 1449, no doubt returning with York in 1450 to sit as York's man for Suffolk. York complained to the King that royal servants plotted to imprison Devereux (*q.v.*) and "Malso"² He may have returned to Dublin, for in 1452 he sued in chancery Thomas Bodulgate (*q.v.*) for the seizure on the high seas of the *Mary of Dublin* and for carrying her off to Fowey.³ He was pardoned, 3 Aug. 1452, being "of Cavendish and of Ludlow" (York's castle); a feoffee of York's in 1453; abroad with Philip of Burgundy in May 1454;⁴ took out a pardon after St. Albans, "of Pentlowe, Essex, knt., *alias* late of Fotheringhay, N'hants." (m.27); and was sent to Calais in July.⁵

D. 1458. Will of Edmund Mulsho, knt., dat. 1 May 1458, pr. 27 Jan. 1459.⁶

MULSHO (MULSO), THOMAS (1405-60); of Geddington. Captain of Bernay 1449-50; servant to Duke of York 1450-60. M.P. NORTHAMPTON-SHIRE 1450-1. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Thomas Mulso of Newton-Parva M.P. (1380-1445) by Anne, and eld. bro. of Sir Edmund Mulsho M.P. (1405-58).

¹ C.C. Wills, ii. f. 99. ² Gairdner, *Paston Letters*, ed. 1904, i. 81. ³ *Early Chan. Proc.*

⁴ "Sir Edmund Mulso is come from the Duke of Burgunds," 8 June 1454 (*Paston Letters*, iii. 290). ⁵ Issue Roll, 33 Hen. VI, No. 801.

⁶ To be bur. St. Michael's, Paternoster, next to the worshipful knt. "Herres Tauk". Bequests to churches of Much and Little Newton, N'hants. Prayers for Duke and Duchess of York, and for the souls of his father and mother and of John Wassheburne. Bequests to bro. William Mulsho, to Margaret Langley his sis., to John Mulsho his nephew, and for the soul of hs s. Walter. To Sir John Neville knt. he gives his black horse. Exors. :—William Oldhall knt., Robert Wyville clerk, William Mulsho, Symond Raynham and Richard Wetenhill. Overseers—my full good lord archbishop of Canterbury, Richard, earl of Warwick, lord Bouchier, and Mr. Thomas Eborall (P.C.C., 24, 25 Stokton).

He was a feoffee in N'hants. 1428; sued for the return of his servant to Little Newton, N'hants., 1431; as of N'hants., he and a London "potycary" were bound to produce one Cosyn in chancery, 1431.¹ Bound in £200 to keep the peace against Morgan Philip, when the earl of Suffolk and John Harpur of Rushall, Staffs., were his sureties, Jan. 1434.² Pardoned, 19 Jan. 1441, as of Geddington and London; captain of Bernay when the French took the place in 1450; and he came straight back from those disasters to be elected to the 1450-1 Parliament. Elector, N'hants., 1431, 1437, 1455; pardoned, 15 June 1458 (just after Sir Edmund's death), as "of Little Newton, N'hants., esq. *alias* of Suffolk esq." (m.17)—perhaps laying claim to Sir Edmund's lands.

D. 25 July 1460 (perhaps at the battle of Northampton), when Alice, aged 28 (da. of Thomas Mulsho and his wife Alice), being wife of Thomas Tresham (*q.v.*), and Anne 11, and Elizabeth 10, das. by his second wife Katherine, were his coh.

MUNDY, THOMAS.

M.P. Wells 1449 (1), 1449-50.

In 1437 *John* Mundy was M.P. for Wilton; and in 1448 Thomas Mundy was one of those to found a guild at Uxbridge, Mdsx. The Wells Member was undoubtedly made a freeman of Wells in 1448—his pledges being Henry Bayllie and John Sadeler.³ As he was made a freeman before, and it may be immediately before, his election for Wells, it is not certain that he was a native of the town, and as the name is uncommon, he may have actually come from Uxbridge.

MUNK see MONK.

MURTON (MYTRON), WILLIAM (1430-80); of Dover. M.P. Dover 1472-5.

He lived in King st., Dover;⁴ chamberlain 1457, 1462; jurat 1462 onwards.⁵ William "Mitere" appears as attorney for the bailiff, Nicholas Burton, 1469, 1470;⁶ and in 1470 Thomas Hexstall (*q.v.*), William Myrton and Robert Roter were paid for communing with the King's counsel;⁷ M.P. 1472.

MUSGRAVE, Sir EDWARD (1461⁸-1542); of Hartley, Westd., of Edenhall, Cumbd.

M.P. WESTMORLAND 1491-2.

S. of Richard Musgrave of same, *d.* 1491, by Jane da. of Thomas, lord Clifford; *m.* (1) Alice da. of Thomas Radcliffe, (2) Jane, living 1541, da. and coh. of Sir Christopher Ward of Gryndale, Yorks.

Among the Cumbd. men pardoned in Aug. 1487 is Edward Musgrave, late of "Cornwall" which must be "Ednell". J.P. Westd., 2 Jan. 1496 till death; pardoned for harbouring the Herons of Ford and Chipchase, Nhd., 1507; pardoned, 1509, as of Hartley, London, Gryndale, and "Ednell"; on Westd. comms. 1512; kntd. at Flodden, 1513; sheriff, Cumbd., 1514-5; J.P. Nhd., 14 Mar. 1515 till death; sheriff, Cumbd., 1519-20, 1527-8. His s. Sir William was granted a 20 mark annuity during his father's life, 3 Nov. 1530;⁹ Sir Edward was on the grand jury which tried the Dacres of the North, 15 June 1534.¹⁰ On 13 July 1535 lord Westmorland wrote to Cromwell:—"At Burgh I caused Sir Edward Musgrave

¹ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 119.

² *ibid.* (1434), 300.

³ *Somerset Rec. Socy.* xlv. 147.

⁴ J. Bavington Jones, *Annals of Dover*, 375.

⁵ Add. MS. 29810, 29616.

⁶ Egerton MS. (Brit. Mus.) 2090.

⁷ Add. MS. 29616.

⁸ Aged 30 at his father's death, 10 Aug. 1491.

⁹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, iv. 6751 (3).

¹⁰ *ibid.* vii. p. 368.

and Christopher Wharton to be bound to keep the peace, and charged the coroner to enquire into the murder of the servant of Sir Edward's in a deer hunting dispute."¹

D. 23 May 1542, when Sir William, aged 36, was s. and h. ; lands—Cumbd.²

MUSGRAVE, Sir JOHN (1445-1503/9); of Cumbd. Squire of the Body 1483-5. M.P. Salisbury 1484.

Jane and John Musgrave with ōrs. of Cumbd. were to be arrested, 20 July 1471. Under Richard III he came to Wilts. J.P. Wilts., 5 Dec. 1483 to 1485; comn. of array, Wilts., 1 May and 8 Dec. 1484; sheriff, Wilts., 1484-5. Being already squire of the body he was made constable of Old Sarum and of the King's lands of Clarendon, with fees, 9 Aug. 1484;³ and ranger of the forest of Grovely, Wilts., 10 Dec. 1484.⁴ When the Tudors came he left Wilts.; kntd. at Stoke fight, 16 June 1487; sheriff, Cumbd., 1489-91 and 1493-4; J.P. Cumbd., 1497 till death. He sat on a comn. to decide between English and Scots concerning the Esk fisheries, 1490.⁵

To judge from his comns. etc. he *d.* after 10 Feb. 1503 and before 1509.

MYRES, JOHN (1450-98); of Bolton, Cumbd. Lawyer. M.P. Carlisle 1491-2.

He owed 18*d.* to a tailor of York, 1485; John Myre of Bolton, Cumbd., gent., was pledge for John Clapham, gent., in the keeping of 27 acres in "Clythyhowe", Cumbd., 18 Nov. 1488;⁶ eschr. of Cumbd., 1487-8; clerk of the court in the Forest of Inglewood, 1490;⁷ again eschr. 1493-4.

D. shortly before 2 Apr. 1498, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Lincs.⁸

MYTRON see MURTON.

MYTTON, THOMAS (1437-1504); of Shrewsbury. M.P. Shrewsbury 1472-5, (? 1484).

S. of Thomas Mytton by a da. of William Burley M.P. the Speaker; *m.* (1) Eleanor da. and coh. of Sir John Burgh of Wattlesborough M.P. (1414-71) by whom he had William Mytton M.P. (1470-1513); by a 2nd or 3rd wife he had Adam Mytton, M.P. 1523 to 1544.⁹

He lived at Vaughan Place in Shrewsbury; bailiff 1464, 1468, 1472 (while M.P.), 1476, 1480, 1484-5, 1492, 1496, 1500, 1504 till death; elector, Salop, 1478; sheriff, Salop, 1482-3. In Oct. 1483, while sheriff, he effected the arrest of the duke of Buckingham and had Richard III's thanks "to my trusty and welbeloved squire"; he had also grant of the duke's castle of Caus—till Bosworth Field. A zealous Richardian; arrested Piers Corbet of Lye, July 1484; comns. of array, Salop, May and Dec. 1484; bailiff (as above) and, as such, refused to allow Henry Tudor to enter Shrewsbury save, as he put it, over his body. Arguments adduced made him think more moderately, and he saved his conscience or his face by lying prostrate.¹⁰ So that he was pardoned, 18 Dec. 1485;¹¹ J.P. Salop, 17 Nov.

¹ *ibid.* viii. p. 407.

² Inq. *p.m.* 35 Hen. VIII, Vol. 69, No. 148.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 478.

⁴ *ibid.* 507.

⁵ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 504.

⁶ Fine Roll, 4 Hen. VII (m.10).

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1490), 308.

⁸ Fine Roll, 13 Hen. VII (m.2).

⁹ H. T. Weyman, *Shrewsbury M.P.s*, pp. 60-2.

¹⁰ *ibid.* 60.

¹¹ Of Shrewsbury, late sheriff (m.9).

1485 till death ; on subsidy comms., Salop, 1496 and 1504, for the subsidies granted in the Parliaments of those years.¹

D. shortly before 6 Nov. 1504,² while bailiff ; and his son William carried on the office and accounted therefor.

MYTTON, WILLIAM (1415-89) ; of Weston under Lizeard. M.P. STAFFORDSHIRE 1447, (? 1470-1). Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir Richard Mitton (*d.* 1418), by Margaret (*d.* 1420), da. and coh. of Sir Adam Peshale M.P. ; *m.* Margaret, da. of Thomas Corbet of Legh, Salop, and from him descend the present earls of Bradford.

"He came into a great estate in the counties of Stafford, Salop and Warwick, but hath made away with much of it." Sheriff, Staffs., 1422-3 ; of Salop, 1456-7 ; of Staffs., 1457-8 ; J.P. Salop, 1453 to July 1460, being removed by the Yorkists ; J.P. Staffs., 4 Nov. 1470 to 1471 during the Readeption, and possibly then M.P. ; on the Lancastrian array for Staffs., 12 Dec. 1459 ; pardoned with other Lancastrians, 12 May 1462 ;³ elector, Salop, 1478, and probably died in or soon after 1489.⁴

MYTTON, WILLIAM (1470-1513) ; of Mytton mansion on Coton hill, Shrewsbury ; ? lawyer. M.P. Shrewsbury 1491-2, 1495, 1497.⁵

Eldest s. of Thomas Mytton M.P. (1437-1504) by Eleanor (Burgh) ; *m.* Cecily da. of Sir Henry Delves of Doddington, Chesh., by whom he had Richard Mytton M.P. in 1542.

He took his father's place as bailiff of Shrewsbury 1504, served himself in that office 1508 and 1512 ; removed from the old family house at Vaughan Place to Mytton mansion which he probably built.⁶ He was apptd. an assistant comnr. in the marches of Wales with £5 a year wage,⁷ 1492-1501.

D. 1513.⁸

MY.... see MI....

NANFAN, JOHN (1400-59) ; of Birtsmorton, Worcs., and of Trethewell, Cornwall, soldier ; lawyer ; Chamberlain of the Exchequer 1445-6 ; Squire of the Body 1447-59 ; Governor of Jersey 1452-7. M.P. WORCESTERSHIRE 1445-6. Lancastrian.

Perhaps s. of James Nanfan, M.P. for Truro 1426 ; *m.* Jane, widow of Sir Remfry Arundell and da. and h. of Sir John Coleshill, by whom he had Sir Richard Nanfan M.P. (1445-1507).

He was serving in France in his teens, directly after Agincourt ; taken prisoner and ransomed at great cost.⁹ A retainer of the house of Warwick ; followed earl

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. pp. 517, 535, 540.

² Mandate to exchr. of Salop, Fine Rolls, 20 Hen. VII (m.1).

³ As "of Weston under Lizeard esq., *alias* late sheriff of Salop" (m.19).

⁴ *Staffs. Colls.* 1917, pp. 229-30.

⁵ Edward Edwards, *Parliamentary Elections for the boro' of Shrewsbury*.

⁶ H. T. Weyman, *Shrewsbury M.P.s*, 64.

⁷ Flenley, *Regr. of Council of the Marches*, 239.

⁸ Weyman, *loc. cit.*

⁹ For good service to Henry V and Henry VI in France and Normandy, for 30 years and more, he had licence in Mar. 1445 to grant 40 marks a year to Tewkesbury Abbey—a privilege usually applied in the reverse direction (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, pp. 475, 490). See also note ⁷ on p. 622.

Richard through France,¹ and managed the Warwick lands during the minority 1436-50. Countess Isabel made "her squire" constable of Glamorgan, 1423;² sheriff, Cornwall, 1428-9; 1439-40; under sheriff, Worcs., 1441-2; J.P. Cornwall, of the quorum, 28 June 1442 to 26 Feb. 1459. He was again in France in Dec. 1442, holding Aquitaine with Sir William Bonville and Sir Robert Poynnyngs; and two years later, by reason no doubt of this expedition, the King was indebted £1,073 to his squire, John Nanfan, and Nanfan had licence to recoup himself from the coinage of tin in Cornwall.³ For a short time he was even one of the Chamberlains at the receipt of the Exchequer, July 1455 to Dec. 1446,⁴ almost a Parliamentary perquisite as he was just then knt. of the shire for Worcestershire.⁵ Pardoned, 16 July 1446;⁶ squire of the body by July 1447, when he was granted a pension of £50 a year;⁷ and in spite of parliamentary trouble, this pension was exemplified and ratified in Apr. 1451.

In 1450 the custody of Warwick's lands came to an end, and Throckmorton, Montfort, Norris, Nanfan, and the rest of them were pardoned all arrears of accounts as guardians; keeper of Helston, 14 Dec. 1450;⁸ sheriff of Cornwall 1450-1; J.P. Worcs., 11 Nov. 1451 till death. He was again in France on a mission to the duchess of Burgundy early in 1451, and, partly to compensate for his expenses, he was made constable of Trematon castle, May 1451. In July 1452 he was made governor of Jersey; he was paid for the half year £295 to maintain him there in the King's service with 130 archers.⁹ Ships in Poole harbour were to be arrested to transport him and his company in July; his force mustered there in September; and he remained in Jersey till 1457, being paid occasionally from the customs of Jersey, or from the issues of Cookham and Bray, "notwithstanding all Acts of Resumption." When he got back in Apr. 1457 he was made surveyor of the search in Poole, Weymouth, Exeter and Dartmouth, and given a full pardon of all arrears. Sheriff of Cornwall again 1456-7, and of Devon 1457-8; comnr. of array in Cornwall, 1458. With James Butler, earl of Wilts., Nanfan, still called squire of the body, was given the custody of Clarendon park, Apr. 1458; pardoned 10 Jan. 1459¹⁰.

D. 1459, perhaps at Blore Heath, but more probably before 26 Feb. 1459.

¹ He went to France in June 1435 with Christopher, son of John Talbot, with men-at-arms and archers—"the company of the King's Squire, John Nanfan." (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1435), pp. 475, 490).

² He was a feoffee for Countess Isabel in Tewkesbury and at Burford; and one of those to whom was granted the custody of all the Warwick lands on Isabel's death, Dec. 1439. With the new Earl of Warwick and John Norris, he had the custody of Sir Henry Bodrugan's lands in Apr. 1442.

³ *Cal. Charter Rolls*, 1444.

⁴ Issue Rolls, *sub annis*.

⁵ In Dec. 1446 he was granted the custody of the lands and heir of John Trenoweth.

⁶ As "of Mortonbrutte, esq., *alias* of Trethewell, Cornwall, late sheriff of Cornwall, feoffee of Edward Neville, lord Bergavenny, *alias* John Nanfan esq. and Jane his wife, executrix of the will of Remfry Arundell of Lanherne, knt., late of Eggeshall, Cornwall" (m.17).

⁷ In lieu of his posts as constable of Cardiff and forester of Glamorgan, and because of his long service to Henry V in his wars with France, where he was taken prisoner and ransomed at great cost, and for his service to the late duke of Warwick, about whom in his tender age he attended without fee at the King's command (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1447).

⁸ Fine Roll, 29 Hen. VI (m.29).

⁹ F. Devon, *Issues*, 473.

¹⁰ As—late Sub-Sheriff of Worcs., late Sheriff of Wilts., late Sheriff of Cornwall (m.38).

NANFAN, Sir RICHARD (1445-1507); of Trethewell, Corn., and of Birtsmorton, Worcs. Sq. and Knt. of the Body 1485-1507; King's deputy at Calais 1503-7. M.P. CORNWALL 1491-2, 1495, (? 1497, 1504).

S. of John Nanfan of Trethewell M.P. (1400-59) by Jane (Coleshill); *m.* Margaret (*d.* 1510) da. of John Baucombe of Barcombe, Sussex.¹

From the votive ships bequeathed in his last will one may judge that his early life was upon the sea. Sheriff, Cornwall, 1479-80; attainted as a leader of the duke of Buckingham's rebellion in Devon, 1484;² fled to and returned with Henry VII. Then in 1485 his attainder was reversed,³ and he was made squire of the body, J.P. Cornwall and Warw., one of the keepers of Cookham and Bray,⁴ keeper of "Erberie" in London,⁵ steward of Tewkesbury, of Elmley and of Crowland, Worcs.,⁶ and under-sheriff of that county, 12 Sept. 1485 to 17 Feb. 1488; pardoned, 8 June 1486;⁷ all his grants were exempted from resumption in 1485, in 1487,⁸ in 1489;⁹ and he had further grants and the farming of Odiham, Hants, 1486-8. Kntd., Dec. 1488; sheriff, Cornwall, in lieu of Worcs., 1488-9.

The King employed him on diplomatic missions—as to the King of Portugal in Dec. 1488,¹⁰ or to the King of Castile respecting the marriage of Catherine of Aragon.¹¹ He was now knt. of the body; at court at the meeting with the French ambassador, 1492; and apptd. to try breaches of military discipline, 20 Sept. 1492.¹² J.P. Salop also from 1493, for Worcs., Heref., and Glos. also from 1502; made King's deputy at Calais 1503,¹³ whence in 1505 he was treating with the duke of Saxony.¹⁴ Thomas Wolsey was his chaplain.

There is difficulty about the year of his death. The writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Cornwall, 25 Nov. 1507—the Inquest held 23 Hen. VII; but the will is dat. 10 Nov. 1506, pr. at Lambeth 16 Apr. 1507;¹⁵ and the exors. of his will were pardoned, 1 May 1507.¹⁶

NASEBY, JOHN (1440-92); of Sandwich, shipmaster. M.P. Sandwich 1491-2.

He was commissioned as master of the King's ship *le Clement* to press mariners and stores for that ship, as the King has ordered an armed force to go to sea to resist the King of Scots, 8 Apr. 1481. Mayor of Sandwich, Dec. 1489-90;¹⁷ elected to Parliament 22 Sept. 1491.¹⁸ Will pr. at Canterbury 1492 (C.3.30).

¹ 1480/3. Richard Nanfan and Margaret his w., da. of John Baucombe, sued Nicholas Crese, clerk, for deeds of a messuage and land in Barcombe late of John Baucombe (*Early Chan. Proc.* 35/2).

² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 246.

³ *ibid.* 273.

⁴ Palmer's Index to Fine Rolls. John Nanfan was previously keeper.

⁵ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 11.

⁶ *ibid.* i. 25; John Nanfan was previously steward of Tewkesbury.

⁷ "Of Trethewell, of Morton-Bryt, sheriff of Worcs., s. and h. of John Nanfan, late sh. of Cornwall and of Wilts." (m.12).

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 360, 406.

⁹ *ibid.* 413.

¹⁰ *Foedera*, V. iii. 194.

¹¹ *ibid.* 195.

¹² *ibid.* V. iv. 46.

¹³ *ibid.* 216.

¹⁴ To be bur. in St. Bartholomew's, Spitalfields; tomb to be erected. His plate to Dame Margaret his w.; ships of silver to two different churches; settled lands in Cornwall to his heir James Grysy; settled lands in Worcs. to Elizabeth Welles. To John Nanfan "my great red horse that came from Calais." Residue to John Nanfan, my bastard s. and his heirs of body. Exors.:—w., Thomas Wulcy, clerk, Jas. Grysy, gent.

¹⁵ Pardon to exors. of will of Richard Nanfan knt. of Trethewell, Cornwall, and of Morton, Worcs., and of Odiham, Hants, the King's deputy at Calais and sheriff of Worcs., and of Cornwall (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1507, 544).

¹⁶ Boys, *Sandwich*, ii. 418.

¹⁷ Sandwich Records—*per* Miss E. Scroggs.

NASH see ASH, RICHARD.

NEEDHAM (NEDHAM), (Sir) JOHN (1415-80); of Shavington, Salop. Serjt.-at-law and Judge.¹ M.P. Newcastle-under-Lyme 1442, 1447, 1449⁽¹⁾; London 1449-50. Sumnd. 1459, 1462, 1467, 1469, 1470, 1472, 1477. Lancastrian.

Third s. of Robert Needham of Cranage, Salop (*d.* 1449), by Dorothy da. of Sir John Savage of Clifton, Cheshire; *m.* Margaret yst. da. of Randall Mainwaring of Peover and widow of William Bromley of Baddington, Cheshire.

He accounts as keeper of certain lands in Shropshire, 1442;² but he occurs principally in London, and never in Staffs. Common serjt. of London, 1449-53;³ King's serjt.-at-law, 1453; pardoned, Oct. 1455;⁴ Justice of the Common Pleas, 1457-71; on the comn. of oyer directed against the Yorkists, 4 Feb. 1460—and there described as knt. But there is no knt. against his name when pardoned with the other Lancastrians in Feb. 1462;⁵ Chief Justice of Chester 1461-3, and kntd. at Queen Elizabeth's coronation 1465; Justice of the King's Bench 1471.

D. 25 Apr. 1480, bur. at Holmes chapel, Cheshire (M.I.). He left no issue, and his estates went to his next bro. from whom descend the Earls of Kilmorey.

NEEDHAM (NEDHAM), RICHARD (1415-65); servant of duke of Gloucester 1442-7; of London, mercer, 1447-65. M.P. Cricklade 1442; Dover 1445-6, 1447; London 1460-1.

In May 1442 Needham, as servt. to Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, was confirmed in the office of ranger of Clarendon, Wilts., as previously granted to him by the said duke. Needham and Morgan Meredith (both servants of Humphrey of Gloucester, then constable of Dover) were paid £10 by the Dover Corpn. for their expenses to Parlt., 1445.⁶ While at the Bury Parlt. as representing Dover in Feb. 1447, he was arrested with the duke;⁷ and he was one of those followers of the duke who were convicted of high treason and sentenced to semi-execution, *i.e.*, pardoned after being hanged, but before being drawn. He had *m.* in 1444 the widow of John King—with five children whose patrimony was 500 marks;⁸ and on 13 July 1447 Alice Needham and Alexander King, her son, scholar of Eton college, were granted all the goods, etc., of Robert Needham, convicted of high treason. This was a few days before his execution, no doubt a special act of grace by the King. He was pardoned 11 Oct. 1447, as late of London, yeoman, *alias* late of Greenwich, late servt. of the duke of Gloucester.

Thereafter he changed his life, settled in London, a city ever warm in its support of Gloucester and his wife's home, and took to business. He was an elector there 1449 (1),⁹ 1450, 1455; he was owed money by the King by 1452. He was auditor 1455-7; sheriff 1458-9; three times nominated for alderman but never elected;¹⁰ on London comns. in Feb. and Mar. 1460; and elected to Parlt.

¹ *Dict. Nat. Biog. sub voce.* ² *Enr. Accts.* F. 20. H. VI. D. ³ *Jor.* 5, fos. 13d, 113d.

⁴ He is on the Pardon Roll of Oct. 1455 (twice) as of Shaynton, Salop (m.31), and as Serjt.-at-law, tenant of the Corbet manor of King's Bromley, Staffs. (m.6).

⁵ Justice of the Common Pleas, *alias* (with Littleton, William Cumberford, Robert Hill and Humphrey Starkey) a joint tenant of King's Bromley (m.37).

⁶ *Dover Accts.*, Add. MSS. 29810.

⁷ *English Chron.* 117.

⁸ *Letter Book K.* 300, 307.

⁹ In 1449 he gave 20s. for the relief of Rouen (*Jor.* 5, fo. 24).

¹⁰ *Jor.* 6, fo. 79d; 7, 24d, 78d.

as a mercer in Oct. 1460.¹ In 1463 he was exor. of Geoffrey Boleyn's will (*q.v.*); last nominated for alderman 5 Oct. 1464, and he must have died *c.* 1465.

NEELE, RICHARD (1395-1442); of Prestwold, Leics. M.P. LEICESTERSHIRE 1442.

As a Richard Neele was a Mdsx. elector in 1441 and 1447, and as this Middlesex Richard Neele was presumably the lawyer, therefore probably the Richard Neele who was Member for Leicestershire in 1442 was the father of the judge.

The *Dic. Nat. Biog.*² says that this Richard Neele, the father of the judge, died in 1442, having been elected to Parlt. the previous December; but it is strange that we can find nothing of the father in Leicestershire or elsewhere.

NELSON, THOMAS (1415-83); ald. of York, merchant. M.P. York city 1453-4.

M. Katherine, with whom he entered the merchants' co., 1437.³

He was chamberlain of York, 1442; sheriff, 1447-8; an elector, 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1450, 1460 then alderman, and in 1472 and 1478 when he heads the list. Mayor, 1453-4 elected mayor while M.P., and 1464-5. The same man was owed money in York from 1449 to 1474; and was sued for usury in 1465/70.⁴ He was pardoned, 8 June 1458, as "Thomas Nelson of York, merchant, *alias* late mayor, *alias* citizen" (m.12); and, 15 Oct. 1461, as also "merchant of the staple of Calais" (m.29). He sat on all the York comms. 1461 to Nov. 1475.

D. 1478/83. Will, dat. 4 Nov. 1478, pr. at York 22 Mar. 1483/4. To be bur. in Trinity Priory next to his wife Katherine. His lands in Yorkshire to his s. and h. Thomas.⁵ He left sons Thomas and William (*q.v.*).

NELSON, WILLIAM (1455-1525); ald. of York, merchant. M.P. York city 1504, 1510, 1512-4, 1515.

Second son of Thomas Nelson of York (1415-83), merchant (*q.v.*); m. Janet, da. of John Norton of Bilbrough.⁶

Made free of York city, 1488;⁷ chamberlain, 1489; sheriff, 1495-6; alderman from 28 Jan. 1499; entered Merchants' Co., of which he later became master, 1499;⁷ mayor, 1500-1; subsidy comnr. for York, apptd. in Parlt. while M.P., 1504; on gaol delivery at Tynemouth, 1510; supervisor of the will of Robert Plumpton of York, 1507;⁸ pardoned, 1509 as merchant, gent., or esq., alderman of York. In Feb. 1507 he bought the wardship and marriage of Richard s. and h. of Richard Green.

On 15 Jan. 1515, being then prisoner in the Fleet and just returned to Parlt. for York, he was again elected mayor, to the anger of the King, who set the election aside.⁹ Nevertheless, J.P. York city, 28 June 1515 till death; resigned his gown, 6 Aug. 1517, and probably retired to his country seat at Riccall, near York.⁷

¹ He was on an important deputation to Henry VI to assure him of the City's loyalty, 1459; yet elected by the City to the Yorkist Parlt. of 1460-1 (Jor. 6, fo. 145).

² *Art.* Sir Richard Neele (?1420-86).

³ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 37/33.

⁵ *York Wills*, 5. 212.

⁶ Margaret widow of John Norton of Bilbrough left by her will a primer and a book of prayers to her da. Jane Nelson, and 3s. 4d. to each child of William Nelson, ald. of York (*Test. Ebor.* iv. 92n).

⁷ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

⁸ *Test. Ebor.* iv. 260.

⁹ *ibid.* v. notes.

D. 1525. Will, dat. 21 Mar., pr. 12 Apr. 1525, being alderman of York. To be bur. in Holy Trinity, Mekilgate, York, near his father's body. Bequests to w. Janet and to sons Christopher, Thomas, and William.¹

NETHERTON, JOHN (1425-85); of Exeter, yeoman; lawyer. M.P. Exeter 1459, 1469. Lancastrian.

In 1455 he was a feoffee for Nicholas Radford in certain Devon manors;² pardoned, 29 Jan. 1459, "late of Exeter, yeoman" (m.34). In 1469 he was paid 5s. 4d. for his expenses in going to or towards York for the Parlt. of 1469 (which never met);³ one of those whose arrest was ordered with the Courtenays, Mar. 1470. In 1467/72 the exix. of Richard Hall of Bovey, Devon, sued the mayor and bailiffs of Exeter *re* actions brought by John Netherton of Exeter in the name of John Hall, s. and exor. of the late Richard Hall.⁴ And in 1478 William s. of Sir Philip Courtenay sued John Netherton for detaining deeds of Powderham and other Courtenay lands.⁵ These two suits seem to show that Netherton was an attorney.

NEU.... see NEW....

NEVILL, Sir ALEXANDER (1390-1456/7); of Thornton Bridge. M.P. YORKSHIRE 1439-40.

S. of Alexander Neville, a younger branch of the Nevills of Raby;⁶ m. 18 Apr. 1401 Catherine Eure, dead by 1459, by whom he had a s. and h. William.⁷

On comns., chiefly of array, 1421 to 1442; a feoffee for Sir Henry Percy in 1435; kntd. between 10 Mar. 1435 and 23 May 1438. In May 1443 the Earl of Northumberland was sued by the Archbp. of York for riots against the Ecclesiastical Courts. Ultimately the Earl had to pay, and Sir William Normanville (*q.v.*), Sir Alexander Nevill and three Yorkshire squires were sumnd. before the Privy Council.⁸ Pardoned, as of Thornton in Swale, June 1446; an elector, Yorks., 1435, 1449 heading the list, and 1449 (2). In Nov. 1456 William Sanders of Helperby, Yorks., yeoman, was pardoned outlawry for failing to appear to answer Sir Alexander Nevill touching a plea that he render account of the time when he was his bailiff and receiver in Thornton Bridge.

D. 1456-7. Will, dat. Mich. 1454, pr. at York, 15 June 1457. Alexander Nevill knt., of Thornton Bridge.⁹ To be bur. at St. Mary's Kirk the Old. Exors.:—Richard, parson of St. Mary's Kirk the Old, and John Dawtry. Written by himself; many bequests to churches.⁹ Later, on 23 Sept. 1457, the said exors., considering that the deceased had done many and complicated deeds made in his lifetime of an intricate nature, and not wishing to administer his goods, they both refused. Administration was given instead to his s. and h. William Nevill esq., and to Henry Eure esq.⁹

¹ *Test. Ebor.* v. 198-201.

² *Devon Trans.* xxxv. 273.

³ Exeter Receivers Rolls.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 45/123.

⁵ *ibid.* 56/221.

⁶ *V.C.H. Northumberland*, ii. 101.

⁷ *Yorks. Arch. Soc.* (Records), xci. p. 196.

⁸ Ramsay, *Lancs. & Yorks.* ii. 53.

⁹ *Test. Ebor.* ii. 207-9.

NEVILL, JOHN (1405-82); of Althorpe, Lincs.,¹ of Womersley, Yorks.,² and Oversley, Warw.³ M.P. LINCOLNSHIRE 1449 (1).⁴

S. and h. of Sir Ralf Nevill⁵ and Mary da. and coh. of Sir Robert Ferrers of Oversley, Warw.² *M.* (1) Elizabeth; and (2) *c.* 1467, Margaret, widow of Sir George Darrell (*d.* 1466), and da. of Sir William Plumptre; she died 14 May 1487.

Sheriff, Lincs., 1439-40, 1452-3; on Lincs. comms., 1445 to Nov. 1458; pardoned 1446¹ and Mar. 1458.³ He survived the revolution without more inconvenience than the taking out of a pardon in May 1462;² was trespassed against in Womersley in 1476; J.P. Lindsey, 23 Nov. 1478 till death.

D. 17 Mar. 1482, when William Gascoyn knt. (*q.v.*), aged 30, s. of Jane da. of John Nevill, was his g.s. and h.; lands—Lincs., Yorks., Warw., and Notts. The administration of his estates was granted at York, 15 Apr. 1482, when he is called "of Wylmersley, esq."⁶ Arms:—gules, a saltire arg., differenced by a label of 3, arg., charged with 3 hurts.

NEVILL, ROBERT (1430-76); of Gayhurst, Bucks. King's servant 1465-76. M.P. Devizes 1472-5.

Perhaps bro. and h. of that John Nevill late of Gayhurst, J.P. Bucks., 1462-6, who owed £36 to Jane, widow of John Nevill, in 1458.⁷

J.P. West Riding, 23 Aug. 1460 till death; on Yorks. and Nhd. comms. 1460-4; sent to France in Oct. 1465 for divers secret matters;⁸ during the autumn of 1467 "Warwick's kinsman" Robert Nevill had again been in France and started home with the French agent about Christmas.⁹ The Queen's or Court influence would find him his seat at Devizes.

He was dead by June 1476, when Ellen, widow of the King's servant Robert Nevill, had for his services a grant of a tenement in Herts. for sustenance of herself and seven children.¹⁰ One of her seven children was Robert—pardoned, 1488 as of "Gothurst", Bucks., s. of Robert, kinsman and h. of John—who *m.* Jane da. of John Walsh and *d.* 1496.¹¹

NEVILL, THOMAS (1420-79); of Darleton and S. Leverton, Notts. Recorder of Nottingham; lawyer. M.P. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE (? 1470-1); Nottingham boro' 1472-5.

Probably yr. s. of Robert Nevill of "Pykale", Yorks., and yr. bro. of Sir William Nevill of S. Leverton.¹² *M.* Jane, heiress of S. Leverton and had sons George

¹ Pardon Roll, 1446, of Althorpe, Lincs., esq., *alias* late sheriff (m.45).

² Pardon Roll, 1462, s. and h. of Ralf Nevill knt., and Mary his wife da. and coh. of Robert Ferrers knt., decd., *alias* late of Wormesley, Yorks., *alias* late of Oversley, Warw. (m.21).

³ Pardon Roll, 1458, of Oversley, Warw., esq., and Elizabeth his wife (m.6, m.30).

⁴ He is not the John Nevill of Rolleston, Notts., J.P. 1466-73; nor the man of Gayhurst, Bucks., J.P. 1462-6; nor the Marquess of Montagu (1430-71); nor the bro. of the Earl of Westmorland who was sumnd. as Lord Nevill in 1459; but this was evidently the age of the Nevills.

⁵ This Sir Ralph was second s. of Ralph, the first Earl of Westmorland. The other coh. and sis. *m.* John, lord Greystoke.

⁶ York Wills, 5. 68.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1458), 448. But Robert Nevill and Robert Nevill of Leversedge were Yorkshire electors in 1442.

⁸ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 386.

⁹ *ibid.* i. 440; *Early Chan. Proc.* 25/II.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1476), 588.

¹¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, No. 1148.

¹² *Geneal. N.S.* xxvii. 232.

(dead in 1482) and William.¹ He has to be distinguished from a contemporary, Thomas Nevill of Rolleston, Notts.²

Elector, Notts., 1449, 1453, 1460; J.P. Notts., of the quorum, 4 Dec. 1455 to 3 May 1470, during the Readeption, and 16 Feb. 1472 till death; on Notts. comns. 1458 to 1478 including those of the Readeption; on gaol delivery, Nottingham, 1459, 1462, 1478; eschr., Notts. and Derbys., 1451-2; pardoned 1458, as "of So. Leverton, gent., *alias* of Darlinton, *alias* late eschr. of Notts. and Derbys., and J.P. Notts." (m.3); probably M.P. 1470, again 1472; elector Nottingham town, 1478; recorder of Nottingham 1477-9.³

D., to judge from his comns., 1479.

NEWARK (NEWERK), HENRY (1420-70); of East Greenwich. M.P. Devizes 1447.

Undiscovered, save for three references of date 1465/70 in the *Early Chancery Proceedings*. John Ery of Deptford and Agnes his wife sued Henry Newerk and other feoffees to uses, for land at Lee, Kent.⁴ Thomas Cheseman, s. of Robert Cheseman, sued Newerk, feoffee to uses, for land in Eltham, Kent.⁵ Agnes, late servant of Robert Cheseman, of East Greenwich, sued Henry Newerk of East Greenwich, one of Cheseman's feoffees, for tenements, wharfs and gardens in East Greenwich.⁶

NEWBURGH, JOHN (1405-84); of East Lulworth. M.P. DORSET 1425, 1429-30, 1431, 1442, 1445-6, 1449 (1), (? 1459), 1460-1. Lancastrian.⁷

S. of John Newburgh (*d.* 1446/7); *m.* Alice, da. of William Carent M.P. (1395-1476), and had issue another John.⁸

His father accounts for the Earl of March's lands in Dorset 1435-7, but it was the son who was M.P. 1425, etc., being called junior; elector, Dorset, 1427, 1432, 1435; J.P. Dorset, 26 July 1444 to 8 Dec. 1471 and 30 May 1473 to 5 Dec. 1483, remaining on the bench during the Readeption, and removed after the restoration of Edward IV. On many comns. for Dorset, 1443 to 1483, including gaol deliveries, the Lancastrian comn. of array, Dec. 1459, and the subsidy comns. of 1483. He had a reversionary interest in Bryanston, Dorset, 1451, and on 20 Mar. 1451 was made keeper of Povington manor, Dorset, paying the farm to Eton College; apportioner of the subsidy in Dorset 1463;⁹ exempted from resumption, 1461, 1464 and 1467, in respect of Povington and of Sutton-Pointz where he had a remainder interest from James, earl of Wiltshire; and he was keeper of the artillery in Carnarvon castle 1464-7.¹⁰

NEWBURGH, JOHN (1440-97); of Turner's Puddle, Dorset. M.P. Bridport 1472-5.

Second s. of John Newburgh of East Lulworth, M.P. (1405-84) by Alice (Carent), and bro. of Sir William M.P. (1435-71) and Thomas M.P. (1445-1515); *m.* Isabel, who *rem.* Thomas Malett; no issue.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 62/158.

² Who *m.* Elizabeth da. of Wm. Babington the judge, and *d.* 1480/2 (*Geneal.* xxxiii. 156; *Test. Ebor.* v. 65).

³ Stevenson, *Records of Nottingham*.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/90.

⁵ *ibid.* 29/298.

⁶ *ibid.* 28/179.

⁷ He was a pledge for Eleanor, duchess of Somerset, in 1456 (*Fine Roll*, 34 Hen. VI, m.5).

⁸ Hutchins, *Dorset*, i. 366.

⁹ *Fine Roll*, 3 Edw. IV.

¹⁰ *Rot. Parl.* v. 483, 543.

On a Herts. comn. 1480; Dorset comns. of subsidy, Apr. and Aug. 1483 and Jan. 1488, and gaol deliveries 1487-97. He got from Richard III a share of Sir Nicholas Latimer's forfeited lands in Dorset, 1484; J.P. Dorset, 15 Nov. 1485 till death.

D. 1 Mar. 1497, when Sir Roger Newburgh, aged 40, s. of his bro. Sir William, was his heir; lands—Turner's Puddle, Dorset.¹ Will, dat. 2 Feb., pr. 3 Apr. 1497. To be bur. at Bindon, Dorset. W. Isabel to occupy his lands for life. Bequest to Thomas Newburgh his bro. Exors.:—wife Isabel, Roger Newburgh knt., James Frampton.²

NEWBURGH, THOMAS (1445-1513); of Marnhull, Dorset. M.P. Bridport 1478.

Third s. of John Newburgh of East Lulworth M.P. (1405-84) by Alice (Carent), and yr. bro. of Sir William Newburgh M.P. (1435-71) and John Newburgh M.P. (1440-97). M. Alice heiress of Barkeley, Som.

On comn. in Som., Wilts., and Berks., 1494; pardoned, 27 June 1510, as of London, of "Marnell" and of East Lulworth, Dorset, and of Barkeley, Som.

D. 15 Mar. 1513, when John, aged 28, was his s. and h.; no lands held in chief; his wife Alice survived him, seised of Barkeley. Will, dat. 10 Mar., pr. 4 May 1513.³

NEWBURGH (NEUBURGH), (Sir) WILLIAM (1435-71); of East Lulworth, Dorset. Keeper of Corfe Castle. M.P. DORSET 1467-8, (? 1470-1). Lancastrian.

S. and h. of John Newburgh of same M.P. (1405-84) by Alice (Carent). His yr. bros. both sat for Bridport—John 1472-5, Thomas 1478.

William Newburgh was an elector in Dorset in 1460, and was pardoned, 12 Nov. 1468, "of Corfe Castle esq." (m.15). The Readeption government put him on the Dorset bench and on their comns. He was certainly not then a knight, and he was beheaded after Tewkesbury 5 May 1471.⁴ Presumably he was knighted just before the battle and the title recognised; for Christine was pardoned, 16 Dec. 1471, "widow of William Newburgh, knight"; and she died 9 Dec. 1491, widow of William Newburgh knight, when Roger, aged 28, was her s. and h. John Neuburgh, "son of Sir William son of John Neuburgh", died in 1485, when Roger, aged 25, was his bro. and h.⁵

NEWBY, WILLIAM (1395-1455); of Leicester. M.P. Leicester boro' 1427, 1429, 1442, 1449 (1).

Mayor of Leicester 1425-6, 1433-4, 1444-5; elector for Leicestershire 1435, 1437, 1447; for Leicester 1421, 1423, 1425, 1426, 1431, 1432, 1450, 1453. A letter from Margaret of Anjou, dat. 20 May 1449, refers to William Newby and "others of our tenants of Leicester".⁶ He was grievously assaulted and wounded in an affray, 1448 or 1449, for which offence Lord Ferrers was ordered to pay him 100 marks as compensation.⁷

¹ *Cal. Inq. Henry VII*, ii. No. 285.

² P.C.C., 5 Horne.

³ To be bur. at the "gayntes" by Bristol in our Lady Chapel "wtoute anny solempnitie of pride immediatly and as shortly as it may be done by the means of Alice my w. and myn hole exix., and Sir Thomas Tylar, maister of the Gauntes myn overseer." Lands at Gillingham to son Christopher, at Wantage to s. Thomas; if his w. die first "my lady Trapenell" to be exix. (P.C.C., 14 Fetiplace).

⁴ Warkworth, *Chronicle*, p. 18.

⁵ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. Nos. 39, 40.

⁶ Bateson, *Records of Leicester*, pp. 256, 448.

⁷ Hartopp, *Roll of Mayors*, 30; citing Billson, *Mediaeval Leicester*, 162.

NEWCOMB see TREWEMAN.

NEWELL, ROBERT (1455-1510); of Huntingdon. M.P. Huntingdon boro' 1495.

There is a brass in Huntingdon church to Robert Newell, burgess, and wife Agnes, died "20 Feb. 1509" which should be 1510.¹ Herbert Newell was a Huntingdon elector in 1467 and may be Robert's father.

NEWERK see NEWARK.

NEWMAN, ROBERT; of Salisbury. M.P. Wilton 1459.

He held a tenement in New st., Salisbury, of the bishop in 1455, rent 1d.²

NEWMAN, WILLIAM (1410-60); of Oxford, gent. Swanherd of Thames.

M.P. Oxford boro' 1449-50, 1450-1, 1453-4.

Perhaps s. of William Newman the elder of Berks., who was sworn to the peace in Berks. in 1434.

With others, William Newman had licence to found a chantry at Fifield, Berks., 1442; the office of Swanherd on the Thames was granted in survivorship to William Newman and John Newman, 1444; the bishop of Bath and Wells complained that the prior of Poughley, Berks., and William Newman had built a mill across Lambourne Water, 1449; comnr. of *oyer et terminer* in Glos. in 1450; pardoned, 17 June 1452, as "of Oxford, gent."; and he was called bailiff of Oxford in Dec. 1452.³ There can be little doubt that the Swanherd on the Thames and the bailiff of Oxford were one and the same person.

NEWPORT (*alias* SPICER), JOHN (1415-80); steward of the Isle of Wight 1446-50; King's servant 1433-60. M.P. HAMPSHIRE 1447.

Perhaps s. of Richard Newport or of John Newport the elder, who was a comnr. in Dorset in 1435; probably bro. to Richard Newport *alias* Spicer of Soberton, Hants, M.P. (1420-77).

He fought in France, was taken prisoner at Dieppe in 1445, and was granted £100 and a licence to ship wool to help pay his ransom, Mar. 1446;⁴ eschr., Hants and Wilts., 1446-7, and elected to the Bury Parlt. while eschr. John Newport esq. was in Normandy in Nov. 1449,⁵ and in Dec. 1449 he and Robert Galant were comsnd. to take wheat, etc., for the victualling of Harfleur. He had been made steward of the Isle of Wight by Richard, duke of York, c. 1446; and in 1450 the inhabitants of the island petitioned Parlt. complaining of his oppression, "although he had been discharged by the Duke."⁶ As an instance of the "oppression"—John Parnell, baker of Portsmouth, sued this "esquire of the Isle of Wight" for his imprisonment on suspicion of felony and for the seizure of his ship *Christopher* and his goods.⁷

John Newport, *alias* John Spyser, late of the Isle of Wight, esq.,⁸ was one of the King's advisers denounced in Parlt. in 1450-1. He remained, however, at Court; for he was paid £20 at Michaelmas 1452 for taking the Garter to the Kings of Aragon and Poland, and for other services during 19 years.⁹ He was

¹ *Monumental Brass Soc. Trans.* iii. 145.

³ *Munimenta Civitatis Oxonie.* p. 214.

⁵ Issue Roll, Mich. 28 Hen. VI, No. 777. ⁶ *Rot. Parl.* v. 204. ⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/406.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* v. 216.

² *Wilts. Arch. Mag.* xxxvii. 70.

⁴ Devon, *Issues of the Exchequer*, 454.

⁹ Devon, *Issues of the Exchequer*, 474.

one of those comsnd. to seize ships for succour to Bordeaux, July 1453; and when the Yorkists pardoned him, 14 Sept. 1460, he was "late of London, gent." He held no more office; an elector in Hants, 1478; and must have died soon thereafter.

NEWPORT, JOHN (1420-80); of Riby, Lincs., esq. M.P. LINCOLNSHIRE 1450-1. Yorkist.

An elector, Lincs., 1442 and 1467; sheriff, 1444-5. In 1461 John Reddisham, mercer of Beverley, sued John Newport esq. of Riby, Lincs., for the seizure of his goods and an accusation of treason, because of a communication sent to all inhabitants of Beverley to await the earl of Northumberland and the lord Nevill in arms to bring the late King Henry out of prison.¹ At this time the neighbouring gentry were often made mayors of the smaller boroughs, and it is quite possible that John Newport esq., mayor of Grimsby 1457, 1461, 1465, 1469, 1474 and 1476,² is the 1450 Knight of the Shire.

NEWPORT *alias* SPICER, RICHARD (1415-77); of Soberton. M.P. HAMPSHIRE 1439-40.

Probably s. of Richard Newport,³ to whom and to whose heirs, for 200 years, the abbot of Beaulieu had leased the manor of Soberton.⁴

Eschr., Hants and Wilts., 1440-41; elector, Hants, 1442, 1447, 1449 (1), 1467; pardoned 1446;⁵ comnr. of array, Hants, in Sept. 1457.

D. 17 Apr. 1477, when his s. and h. was aged 23.⁶

NEWTON (NEUTON), JOHN; of Worcester. M.P. Worcester city 1449-50, 1450-1, 1455-6.

The farm of the subsidy and ulnage on cloth in Worcester was granted to John Neuton on the mainprize of his colleague in 1450-1, William Clyve of Worcester, (*q.v.*) and James Knolles of the same, 10 May 1452.⁷ There is no doubt that this man must have been a burgess of Worcester. It is not likely that he was the King's servant who was rewarded in 1460 by forfeited lands in Herts., previously belonging to the Earl of Warwick.

NEWTON, Sir JOHN (1425-88); of Wyke in Yatton and of Ubley j.u.

M.P. SOMERSET 1453-4. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir Richard Newton, C.J. Common Pleas⁸ (*d.* 1448), by his wife Emmot, da. of Sir Thomas Perrott;⁹ *m.* Isabel, da. and coh. of Thomas Cheddar.¹⁰

Newton was returned Knight of the Shire 1453; on a Somerset comn. in 1458; an elector, Somerset, 1460; sheriff, Glos., 1466-7; kntd. 1471; pardoned,

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/435.

² Oliver, *Grimsby*.

³ John Newport (*q.v.*) of Hants, esq., stood surety for Elizabeth Newport when the marriage of John Phillipotte, granted to Richard Newport in 1437, was transferred to Elizabeth Newport in Dec. 1439.

⁴ But *cf.* John Newport M.P.

⁵ On the Pardon Roll of 1446 there appears—Richard Newport, late of Soberton, Hants, esq., *alias* Spycer, esq.; and in the same roll elsewhere there appears—Elizabeth, who was wife of Richard Newport of Soberton, *alias* wife of Richard Spicer.

⁶ *Inq. p.m.* 17 Ed. IV.

⁷ *Fine Roll*, 30 Hen. VI (m.15).

⁸ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, "Sir Richard Newton."⁹ *Som. Rec. Soc.*, Somerset Wills.

¹⁰ Thomas Cheddar, holding wide estates in Somerset, *d.* 1443, leaving two young das. as his coh. — Isabel, *m.* John Newton, and Jane *m.* (1) Richard Stafford and (2) John Talbot, lord Lisle, s. of the Earl of Shrewsbury. A collusive suit in June 1449 divided the manors between Newton and lord Lisle—the former got Ubley (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1449, p. 328).

28 Aug. 1471, as of Wyke in Yatton, knt., *alias* late esq.;¹ J.P. Somerset, 21 Apr. to 26 Aug. 1483, and 20 Sept. 1485 till death. Though removed from the bench by Richard III in Aug. 1483, he was apptd. to that King's comns., *i.e.*, subsidy, Aug. 1483, array, May and Dec. 1484. And Henry VII restored him to the bench.

D. 26 Jan. 1488—M.I. in Yatton church—when Richard Newton esq., aged 30, was his s. and h., but Richard's mother, Isabel, survived till 1499. Will, dat. 26 Jan., pr. 20 Mar. 1488.² To be bur. at Yatton. Mentions s. and h. Richard, yr. sons Thomas, Nicholas and Walter, and da. Elizabeth Keene. Residue to wife Isabel.² He was probably Lancastrian in 1453 as were the Talbots.

NEWTON, JOHN; of Derby, apothecary. M.P. Derby boro' 1472-5, 1478.

He seems to have been bailiff of Derby and to have returned himself. Pardon Roll, 26 Nov. 1471, John Neweton of Derby, "potygare", *alias* "potycary", *alias* one of the bailiffs of the town of Derby, *alias* mercer, *alias* yeoman.

NEWTON, ROBERT (1445-1504); of Exeter, saddler and cloth merchant. M.P. Exeter 1487.

This cloth merchant was bailiff of Exeter 1469-77; senior bailiff 1478; mayor 1487-8, 1503 till death;³ admt'd. as mayor of the staple at Exeter, 14 June 1493; a feoffee of lands in Devon, 1496. That he was also a saddler is shown by a chancery suit of 1475/85.⁴ D. of the plague during his second mayoralty, 3 Feb. 1504, when succeeded by Danester (*q.v.*).³

NEWTON, WILLIAM (1405-53); of Swell, Som. Captain of Fécamp 1443. M.P. Helston 1449-50.

It is only possible to reconcile *Somerset Record Soc.* xxii, 74, with the *De Banco* suits—Hillary 4 Hen. VI, m.339, and Hillary 9 Hen. VI, m.302—by supposing that a William Newton *m.* Idoine (Eden)⁵ da. and h. of John de la Launde, and that William's son by a previous marriage (the William M.P.) *m.* Eleanor, Idoine's da. and coh. by a previous marriage. This often happened. Therefore:—

S. of William Newton, *d.* 1426/31, by Maud (*d.* 1420) widow of John de l'Orti of Swell and N. Perrott; *m.* Eleanor coh. with a sis. Agnes (dead in 1431) of John de la Launde of Lee and Stretford (county unknown).⁶

Elector, Som., 1422, 1423, 1425, 1426, 1427, 1429, 1432, 1437. As of Swelle he was bound to Sir Henry Bromflete in £20, 25 Nov. 1433.⁷ He was a feoffee in Dorset, 1441; eschr., Som. and Dorset, 1441-2; J.P. Somerset, 26 June 1442 till death; served in France in 1443, for William Peyto, knt., captain of Dieppe, John Norbury, captain of Arques, and William Newton, captain of Fécamp, were appointed to take the muster of the Duke of Somerset's army in France. But he was back in England by 1448, when he sat on Somerset comns. till 1450.

D. 20 Feb. 1453, when Alexander, aged 19, was his s. and h.; lands—Swell, Somerset.⁸

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 280.

³ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

⁵ Miss Bates Harbin gives Idoine's surname as Montagu.

⁶ *Geneal. N.S.* xvii. pp. 28, 176.

⁸ *Inq. p.m.* 31 Hen. VI.

² P.C.C., 8 Milles.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 64/159.

⁷ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1433), 291.

NICHOLAS, CHRISTIN (1455-1508); of Reading. M.P. Reading 1504.

Entered the guild, paying his fees in normal manner, 27 Sept. 1488; elected a comburgess, 14 June 1490; mayor of Reading 1491-2, 1497-8;¹ Thomas Pyers trespassed upon him, 1501.

D. 1508/9. Will, dat. 27 Nov. 1508, pr. 16 Mar. 1509. To be bur. in St. Giles, Reading. Bequests to wife Elizabeth, to sons Nicholas and Thomas Nicholas, who are all exors. Andrew Brereman of New Windsor, supervisor.²

NICHOLASSON, WILLIAM (1440-84); of Lynn, merchant. M.P. Lynn 1472-5.

Probably s. of John Nicholsson, mayor of Lynn 1458-9;³ *m.* Katherine.

Admtd. freeman of Lynn 1461/2;⁴ mayor 1475. In 1474 40s. was paid to him and John Burbage, recorder, for part of their expenses to London;⁵ general pardon 1481 and 2 Jan. 1483. He attended upon the King and Council in London, 1482;⁶ took out a pardon 1484;⁷ and died that year. Will, dat. 28 Apr. 1484, pr. 11 Feb. 1485.⁸

NICHOLL (NYCOLL), JOHN (1410-65); of Rochester, mercer. M.P. Rochester 1447, 1449 (1), 1453-4.

He died 1465. Will dat. 10 Apr. 1465. To be bur. in St. Nicholas. Mentions Marion his wife, Richard Nicoll his bro.; 5 acres in Chatham and residue to Marion, and she sole exix. Witnesses, John Soneman (*q.v.*), Richard Benet, and others. No proof.⁹ And about 1465/7 William s. of John Nycoll, mercer of Rochester, and Godlefe his wife, sued the feoffees of John Nycoll for a tenement, garden, and marsh in Rochester city and suburbs.¹⁰

NICHOLL (NICOLAS),¹¹ JOHN (1415-65); of Malmesbury. M.P. Malmesbury 1447, 1449-50, 1450-1, 1453-4, 1455-6, 1459.

He is probably not John Nicholas of Roundway, but a burgess of Malmesbury; though he may be the founder of the Roundway family.¹² About 1445, John s. of John Nicholl sued John Weste, as feoffee for uses, for a tenement in Malmesbury.¹³ And on 18 Feb. 1448, John Gough of Cornwall, gent., and John Nichol of Malmesbury, Wilts., were mainpernors for Sir John Fortescue.¹⁴

NISHAM (NYSHAM, ISHAM), JOHN (1420-70); of Sandwich; King's bailiff 1462-8. M.P. Sandwich 1463-5.

¹ Guilding, *Reading Diaries*, i. 86, 88, etc. ² P.C.C., 12 Bennett.

³ Lestrangle, *Norfolk Off. Lists*, 191; Blomefield, *Norfolk*, viii. 346.

⁴ Lynn Hall Books, *sub anno*.

⁵ *Hist. MSS. Comm.*, 11th Report, iii. p. 225.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 62/30.

⁷ "Of Lenn, merchant, *alias* of London, gent., *alias* Walter Nicholasson" (m.8).

⁸ To be bur. in St. Nicholas, Lynn, next to Kateryn his wife, if he die there; if elsewhere, as God pleases. Bequests to Emme Colville da. of Richard Colville of Lynn of a place in the marksted where he lives. To Richard Colville, £40, and to Jane his w., and to Emma Colville, 40s. A violet gown to Andrew Wolsy and a blue gown to Agnes Wolsy. Exors. :—Richard Godwyn, Sir John Papy, Richard Colville and Andrew Wolsey (P.C.C., 21 Logge). His exor., Andrew Wolsey, was of Lynn. We find no evidence that he was the father of Cardinal Wolsey, as noted in pencil on the will at Somerset House.

⁹ P.R.C. ii. ff. 317v-18.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 30/73.

¹¹ Always "Nichol" or "Nychol" on the Returns, except in 1450 when "Nicholas."

¹² Harleian MSS. 1443 states that John Nichols of Rundway *m.* Alice da. of Richard Cone of Legh, Wilts.

¹³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/459.

¹⁴ Fine Roll, 26 Hen. VI (m.8).

Cf. Walter Nysham, bailiff and M.P. for Dover, 1432, 1437.

John Nysame was on a Sandwich piracy comn. in 1450. In Oct. 1451 John Nysam *alias* Iseham, late of London, yeoman, was one of those to be delivered from Newgate Gaol. In Sept. 1452 he, with others of Sandwich, was again to be arrested. But he was mayor of Sandwich, Dec. 1452-3, 1457-8. In Dec. 1460, for good service on both sides the sea, he was made surveyor of the packers in the port of London. From 1462 to 1468 he was the King's bailiff and verger in Sandwich.¹ He probably died in 1468, only then ceasing to be bailiff.

NITER (NYTER), JOHN (1425-85); lawyer? M.P. Heytesbury 1450-1; Gatton 1467-8.

S. of Robert Nyter.

About 1470 John Nyter sued the mayor and officers of Bristol for arresting him on a vexatious action brought by Sir Theobald Gorges of Norfolk *re* land in Devon.² In Feb. 1481 there was issued out of Chancery an exemplification, at the request of John Nyter, of the tenour of an enrolment of letters patent granting a general pardon to Thomas Hogges of Portbury, Som., which may imply that Nyter was a lawyer. He sued, unsuccessfully, in 1482 for Stratton, Somerset, as s. of Robert s. of William Nyter.³

NOEL (NOWELL), CHARLES (1425-84); of Thorpe in Balne, Yorks. Yeoman of the Crown 1465-83. M.P. Appleby 1478.

Fourth s. of Roger Noel of Little Morlays, Lancs.; *m.* Jane da. of John Copley, by whom he had Henry.⁴

In 1452 Nowell was terrorising the country E. of Norwich, would have killed the bishop's servants in Burlingham church, attacked Paston at the door of Norwich cathedral. He was ally of Robert Needham and friend of Thomas Daniel (*q.v.*) who made him bailiff of Bradeston.⁵ But he was the duke's servant; pardoned (with Ottewell Nowell), 26 Sept. 1452, as late of Rufford, Lancs., and of Framlingham⁶ (m.17); petitioned Parlt. 1453, because Edward Lancaster had abducted from Thorpe-Balne Jane, widow of Sir Henry Beaumont, with whom he had made lawful contract of marriage.⁷ His arrest was ordered at Bury St. Edmunds, 1458;⁸ but he was pardoned, 12 May 1458, as "of Sheland, Suff.,⁹ esq. *alias* gent." (m.20). He was yeoman of the crown by 1467, when Parlt. exempted his 6*d.* a day from resumption¹⁰—again in 1473;¹¹ elector, Herts., 1467, 1472, 1478; eschr., Herts. and Essex, 1475-6; pardoned as "yeoman of the Crown, late eschr.", 24 Mar. 1480; on a comn. for the Lea drainage, 1482. He was exempted from the Act of Resumption, 1483, described as gent. usher of the chamber.¹²

¹ Boys, *Sandwich*, 424.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/466.

³ *Geneal. N.S.* xx. p. 99.

⁴ *Visitn. Mdsx.* 60.

⁵ *Paston Letters*, i. 231; Framlingham, the Duke of Norfolk's castle.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* v. 269.

⁷ *Paston Letters*, i. 434.

⁸ There cannot have been two Charles Noels, one of Yorks., and one of Suffolk and Herts., yeoman of the crown, M.P. for Appleby. Yet the Suffolk pedigrees (Add. MS. 19143) refers to a will of Alice wife of Charles Noel of Scheland, pr. in 1460, in which she refers to her das. Margerie and Agnes. If Charles was seeking Jane as a lawful wife in 1453, then these das. of Alice are mysterious.

⁹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 594.

¹⁰ *ibid.* vi. 87.

¹¹ *ibid.* vi. 201.

D. Sept. 1484; will of Charles Noel of Thorpe in Balne, dat. 9 Sept., pr. at York 29 Sept. 1484 (5.239).

NORBURY, Sir HENRY (1410-64); of Stoke D'Abernon, Surrey, and Riseley, Beds. Soldier. M.P. BEDFORDSHIRE 1453-4. Lancastrian.

S. of Sir John Norbury of Bedwell in Essendon, Herts., "treasurer of England" (*d. c.* 1424), by Elizabeth, lady of Say (*d.* 1464),¹ da. of Sir Thomas and sis. and h. of Sir Ralph Butler, lord Sudeley (1394-1473). Lady Say held both Stoke D'Abernon and Riseley. M. Anne (*d.* 1464)² da. of William Crozier, and had Sir John Norbury M.P. (1443-1507).

Kntd. by 1434, when he was sworn to the peace in Beds. as "of Stoke knt." He mustered at Portsmouth in Dec. 1435 with 29 men at arms and 400 archers for France, crossed and relieved Rouen in 1436.³ J.P. Surrey, 6 Feb. 1435 to 8 Feb. 1439, and 16 May 1443 to 7 Aug. 1448; on Surrey comns. also in June 1446, 1451, and 14 May 1455; a feoffee, with Pennycok and Weston (Surrey M.P.s), for John Wodeham's lands at Weybridge, Surrey, 1438. But he must have left Stoke and settled at Riseley, Beds., by 1448, for in that year he and his wife Anne, of Ipswich diocese, had a plenary indulgence.⁴ He was back in France commanding at Vire as lieutenant for lord Scales, 1450.⁵ About 28 Mar. 1450 Somerset sent detachments, 1000 men in all, to join Kyriell and his recently landed army. He sent Sir Robert Vere from Caen, Gough from Bayeux, and Sir Henry Norbury from Vire. They took Valôgne, joined Kyriell, but were totally defeated at Formigny, 15 Apr. 1450. Norbury was taken; and Vire was surrendered after 10 days, in exchange for Sir Henry.⁶ At least he was back in England on a Surrey comn. in Aug. 1451, and elected for Beds. in 1453. He was on a comn., apptd. by the Lancastrians, on 14 May 1455; and Stow says he was killed at Towton, Mar. 1461. But this is all wrong; he died in 1464, and was buried beside his wife in Greyfriars church, London, where lay his father also.⁷ He was Lancastrian certainly.

NORBURY, Sir JOHN (1415-50); soldier. M.P. SURREY 1445-6.

Yr. s. of Sir John Norbury by Elizabeth, lady of Say and of Stoke d'Abernon, Surrey;⁸ and yr. bro. of Sir Henry Norbury M.P. (1410-64).

John Norbury esq. was captain of Arques in France, 1443; and may well have been kntd. in 1445 when Q. Margaret came over. But he occurs no more on the rolls and must have died soon after, probably without issue.

NORBURY, Sir JOHN (1443-1504); of Stoke d'Abernon. King's Vice-Marshal 1484-5. M.P. SURREY (? 1484), 1491-2, 1495.

S. and h. of Sir Henry Norbury of same M.P. (1410-64) by Anne (Crozier); m. Jane da. of Otes Gilbert.⁹

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1465), 459.

³ Kingsford, *Chronicle*, 140.

⁵ Stevenson, *L. & P.* ii. 631.

⁷ *Home Counties Magazine* (Early History of Berkhamsted, by C. E. Johnston), xi.

(1909), p. 277.

⁸ Parl. in 1433 granted an advowson to John, duke of Bedford, which John Montgomery and Elizabeth his wife (formerly wife of John Norbury) held for life with successive remainders to John Norbury's sons Henry and John and heirs male (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1434), 296).

⁹ G.E.C., *Peerage*, S. to T., 297.

² Fine Roll, 4 Edw. IV (m.1).

⁴ *Cal. Papal Reg.* (1448), 385.

⁶ Ramsay, *Lancaster and York*, ii. pp. 105, 108.

He had licence to enter on the lands of his grandmother, the lady of Say, 21 June 1465; kntd. Jan./June 1483; J.P. Surrey, June 1483 till death; on Surrey comns. of array in 1484, and on other comns. 1488-96; apptd. King's vice-marshal, Apr. 1484;¹ sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1484 to 12 Sept. 1485; removed from his offices by Henry VII. But at court again later, *i.e.* at the meeting with the French ambassador, 1492, at York's creation, 1494;² a coheir of the Montfort estates, 1494;³ pardoned, 12 Feb. 1495, as of Stoke "dauberton", late of Southwark (the marshalsea); he endowed and built a chantry at Stoke d'Abernon, and in the chancel is his effigy in armour kneeling before a desk, inscription underneath, died 1504.⁴

NOREYS see NORRIS.

NORMAN, JOHN (1405-68); ald. of London, draper.⁵ Garbler of spices 1444; Thames Conservator 1454-68; Customer of London 1459. M.P. London 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1461-2.

S. of John Norman of Banbury, dead by 1426, and Jane; *m.* Agnes, either da. or widow of William Paxman, *d.* 1466, ironmonger of London.

On 16 Jan. 1426 the widow of John Norman had the custody of her minor children.⁶ John had lands etc. in London worth £18 yearly, 1436;⁷ on comns. dealing with London or the Thames 1436 to 1467; exor. of the will of William Botreaux, May 1437; £20 was owed him, 1442; elector, London, 1431, 1442, 1450, 1453, 1455, 1467. In 1444 he was apptd. by the King in his charter to the city, as garbler of spices.⁸ Pardoned 1446 and Jan. 1459, when called collr. of customs in London; auditor of London 1438-43, 1447-9; alderman of London 11 Oct. 1441 till death; sheriff 1443-4; mayor of London 1453-4; master of the drapers' company 1462-3.

By 1458 he was conservator of the waters of Thames and Medway. His special concern with the Thames was shown when he was elected mayor in Oct. 1453. He was "rowed by water to Westminster with the aldermen, and all the chief commoners of the city went also thither by barges." The mayors used to "ride always by land to take their charge. Wherefore, the watermen of Thames made a song of this John Norman:—Rowe thy bote, Norman; which custom was well-allowed."⁹ While mayor in July 1454, he was comsmd. to enforce certain statutes in the Thames and Medway. In July 1460 he was arranging a loan to the earl of Salisbury;¹⁰ and, after Edward IV came to the throne, he was among those city merchts. who lent money to the King.

D. 1468. Will, dat. 13 May, pr. 5 Oct. 1468. To be bur. in All Hallows, Honey Lane. Bequests to Richard his bro., and Alice w. of Richard. Bequests for exhibitions for his kinsfolk to Oxford University. Exors.:—Thomas Rigby, gent., Richard Norman and John Barston.¹¹

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 392.

² Gairdner, *L. & P.* i. 404; ii. 292.

³ *Geneal. N.S.* xxv. 91.

⁴ M.I. Stoke d'Abernon.

⁵ He is probably not the John Norman who was Groom of the Robes 1433-42, swanherd of the Thames 1433, King's serjt. 1438, and keeper of the little Wardrobe 1439-58. Still less is he the John Norman who was messenger of the Exchqr. in 1472, *d.* 1487.

⁶ *Letter Book K.* p. 49.

⁷ P.R.O., E.179/238/90.

⁸ *Cal. Char. Rolls*, vi. 43.

⁹ Kingsford, *Chronicle*, 164.

¹⁰ Jor. 6, fo. 254.

¹¹ P.C.C., 25 Godyn.

NORMANVILLE, Sir WILLIAM (1400-49); of Killingwick, Soldier. M.P. YORKSHIRE 1432, 1437, 1447, 1449 (Nov.) till death.

Normanville was still an esq. when he took out letters of attorney before going to France in 1421; kntd. 1421/27; on comms. of array in East and West Ridings, 1427 to 1448; J.P. E. Riding, 12 Apr. 1437 to 26 June 1443, and 15 Oct. 1449 till death; on the pardon roll, 9 July 1437 (m.7). He held land at Newton, N. Riding, which he bequeathed to his son William, and at Tadcaster, which he left to his son Thomas. In 1443 there were troubles in Yorkshire between the earl of Northumberland and the archbp. of York. The ecclesiastical courts were being treated with violence, and on 11 May 1443 Sir William Normanville, Sir Alexander and William Neville and three Yorkshire squires were sumnd. before the Privy Council.¹ These were the supporters of the earl.

D. 1449. Will., dat. 10 June 1449, pr. at York 28 Jan. 1450; William Normanville of Kelyngwyke knt. To be bur. at All Saints church at Kelyngwyke. Lands to William his son; and to his s. Thomas, lands in Tadcaster. Residue to his wife Elizabeth and s. and h. John. Elizabeth his widow died in 1461.

NORRIS (NORYS), JAMES; of Burton on Trent. M.P. Newcastle-under-Lyme 1467-8.

In 1460/5 James Norres and Alice his wife, late wife of William Purdham, sued the feoffees of Purdham for lands in Burton, Staffs.² The Duchy of Lancaster controlled Needwood and Burton and generally nominated one M.P. for Newcastle—the Duchy member being often taken from their Needwood estates as though Newcastle *cum* Burton was a grouped boro'. In 1464 James Norris esq. was distrained by the sheriff of Staffs.³ In Apr. 1470 such a man was to be arrested among the list of supporters of Warwick and Clarence.

NORRIS (NOREYS), JOHN (1405-66); of Bray, Berks. Usher of the Chamber 1429-40; Squire of the Body 1441-60; Keeper of the Gt. Wardrobe 1444-6. M.P. BERKSHIRE 1439-40; OXFORDSHIRE 1442; BERKSHIRE 1445-6, 1447, 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1450-1; BERKSHIRE and Truro 1453-4; (? BERKSHIRE 1455-6).

S. and h. of Roger Norris of Bray (s. of John Norris who was second s. of Sir Henry Norris of Speke, Lancs.); *m.* (1) Alice, da. and h. of — Meerbroke of Yattenden; (2) Alinore; and (3), in 1464, Margaret, widow of Nicholas Wyfold, ald. of London.⁴ Sons Sir William (1433-1506) and John (1440-1506) were both M.P.s.

Already yeoman of the chamber 1429, when he was given the custody of the hundred of Ashridge. His grant in Nov. 1430 of 6*d.* a day out of Wilts. was probably his wage as yeoman. Forester of Purbeck in Dorset, 1436; troner and peser of the port of London, 1437; bailiff of Leicester and feodary of the honour of Leicester, 1439;⁵ King's serjt. and usher of the chamber by May 1438; and from Jan. 1437 to Apr. 1439 eschr. of Anglesey. He may actually have gone to Wales, for in Dec. 1437 he was made keeper of the artillery in Chester and

¹ Ramsay, *Lancaster and York*, ii. 53.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/331.

³ *Staffs. Colls.* iv. N.S.131.

⁴ She had rem. by 1467 Sir John Howard, afterwards duke of Norfolk (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1470), 203).

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1439), 310.

Carnarvon ; but he gave up these Welsh posts in Apr. 1439, and in May 1439 he and Alice, his wife, were granted lands in Berks. In 1439 he was a trustee and keeper of the lands of the late Richard, earl of Warwick ; captain of Conway, Sept. 1440 to Nov. 1441. J.P. Berks., 18 Mar. 1437 till death ; sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 1437-8 ; sheriff of Wilts., 1440-1 ; sheriff of Somerset and Dorset, 1445-6 ; sheriff of Wilts., 1448-9 ; elector, Mdsx., 1449 (1)—and on all the public comms. By May 1441 he was squire of the body with 50 marks a year. Grants, custodies, perquisites flowed in upon him. Thomas Beckington (*q.v.*), writing in the summer of 1442, says he will pray for John Norris, which as his chaplain he is bound to do.¹ He probably lived in service at Windsor castle.²

In Aug. 1443 he founded a chantry at Wokingham ; in July 1444 he was apptd. with John Norman (*q.v.*) packer of spices in London and Southampton ; and in Oct. 1444, clerk of the great wardrobe³ with £20 a year wages and an £80 reward. He remained clerk of the great wardrobe to 26 Oct. 1446, and thereafter to 1450 accounts as treasurer of the chamber and keeper of the jewels of Queen Margaret. All his grants were confirmed to him by the Parlt. of 1445 in which he sat, and one of these grants was a house in Windsor. In place of the duke of Norfolk he was granted "the office of the receipt and exchequer", 13 June 1446 ; made chief steward of the lands of the Spencers, 14 June ; steward of Cookham and Bray, 1447 ; and in May 1448 he obtained a convenient general pardon for any suit the King could have against him. It must have been then that he moved to, or established his son at, Yattendon, Berks., for in Jan. 1448 he had a licence to enclose 600 acres there.⁴

But the evil days of 1450 were upon the Household. The Act of Resumption of 1449/50 exempted Norris, squire of the body (except his manor of Merston-Meysy, Wilts.) ; but he was denounced by Cade, denounced in Parlt., and included in the pasquinades of the time.⁵ He perjured, and was pardoned 1452. In 1455 he was made steward to the chancellor of Oxford University, and again pardoned, still squire of the body, Aug. 1455. Again sheriff of Oxon. and Berks., 1457-8, and pardoned, Jan. 1458.⁶ He found it advisable to take out a fresh pardon in Jan. of the following year.

The Year Books of 1460 give a curious case tried in the Court of the Exchequer. By letters patent to the abbot of J., the King had desired the abbot to admit John Norris, sq. of his body, to a corrody on the death of John Barbour. Barbour had died and Norris, as reversioner, had been admitted. But another brief had been issued to the abbot, on the death of Barbour, directing him to admit John Mercer.⁷ The new rulers, however, made things easy for Norris. He was not removed from

¹ *Letters of Margaret of Anjou*, p. 78.

² In Feb. 1443 the Chancellor of the Exchequer is directed to pay Norris of Bray 100 marks a year for the repair of Windsor castle.

³ Accounts as "Keeper," 22-24 Hen. VI (Exchq.—Accts.—Wardrobe), but is called "clerk" in the Issue Rolls. ⁴ *Cal. Charter Rolls*, v. 100.

⁵ "The lily (Daniel) is both fair and grene,

The coundite (Norris) rennith not, as I ween

The Cornish chough (Trevelyan) oft with his trayne

Hath made our eagle (King) blind."

⁶ Pardon Roll, Jan. 1458 "of Bray, senior, esq., late sheriff of Wilts., late Usher of the Chamber, late Yeoman of the Crown, J.P. Berks. (m.29). ⁷ *Year Books*, 39 H. vi. p. 48.

the bench; he was pardoned again in Feb. 1462 with the other Lancastrian officials.¹ In 1463 he was an apportioner of the subsidy in Berks.²

D. 1 Sept. 1466,³ and William, aged 33, is his s. and h.

NORRIS, JOHN, senior (1440-1506/7); of Winkfield, Berks. Squire of the Body 1482-3. M.P. BERKSHIRE 1478, (? 1483 (Jan.)).

Yr. s.⁴ (but elder of the two Johns) of John Norris of Bray M.P. (1405-66) by Alice (Meerbrook).

As a yr. s. he went into the city; pardoned, 6 Nov. 1468 as "of London, grocer *alias* gent., *alias* late of Wynkefeld, Berks., senior,⁴ *alias* late of Bray" (m.22); and he was owed £40 by a tanner of Newbury in 1469. He and his bro. Sir William were feoffees of land in Reading, Feb. 1476.⁵ John himself was sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 1478-9, was delivering seisin at Weston-Colville, Cambs., in 1479, and was a squire of the body at the time of Edward's funeral, for he helped to carry the corpse to the Abbey, Apr. 1483.⁶ It is probable that he sat in the 1483 (Jan.) Parl. for though on the subsidy comm. of 1 Aug. 1483 he is *not* on that of 27 Apr. 1483. He was put on the bench for Berks., 26 June 1483, but a rebel in Devon with the Marquess of Dorset, Oct. 1483,⁷ and removed from the bench. But Norris was not rewarded by Henry VII, and the only subsequent notice of him is his pardon, 12 Feb. 1494, as of Yattenden and London.⁸

D. in or soon after 1505,⁹ probably shortly before 8 July 1507, when Edmund his s. and h. had licence to enter on his lands without proof of age.¹⁰

NORRIS (NOREYS), THOMAS (1425-89); of Calne, Newton-Toney,¹¹ and High Swindon, Wilts., gent. Barrister of Lincoln's Inn. M.P. Wootton Bassett 1449 (1); Devizes 1449-50, 1450-1, 1453-4, 1455.

Probably a cadet of the family of Norreys of Bray, Berks. He held the manor of Leigh-Delamere, Wilts., in 1465.¹²

Admtd. Lincoln's Inn, 1450; eschr. of the Inn 1453. Norris was acting as attorney for the dean and chapter of Exeter, Dec. 1452; a feoffee of Lydeard-Tregos, Wilts., for John Whitoxmede (*q.v.*) in 1458; elector, Wilts., 1459; elector, Oxon., 1478, called "gent"; eschr. Hants and Wilts., 1467-8; pardoned, 8 July

¹ Late sheriff (of five counties), *alias* tenant of Abergavenny, tenant of Cookham and Bray (m.38).

² Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

³ Will, dat. 4 Apr. 1466, pr. 4 July 1467. To be bur. in St. Michael's, Bray; five thousand masses "with as many *placebos*, *diriges* and other observances used in mortuaries be done and sung for my soul in as hasty time as it may goodly be done"—also for the souls of Alice, Alinore and Margaret, sometime my wives. To have a marble tomb erected. Bequest for buying a great bell for the steeple at Bray, and for repairing Maidenhead Bridge. All household stuff to his s. William at Yattenden. Bequests to sons John the elder, John the younger, and William the youngest, and to Anne his eldest, and Lettice his youngest da. To Margaret his w., the residue, if she remain unmarried. Exors. :—his w. Margaret, his bro. William Norris, Richard Bulstrode, Thomas Babham (P.C.C., 19 Godyn).

⁴ In his will his father mentions John senr. and John junr. among his yr. sons.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 385.

⁶ Gairdner, *Richard III*, i. 3.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1483), 371.

⁸ *ibid.* (1494), 458.

⁹ Vol. ii of the printed *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII* ends Jan. 1505, and he had not *d.* by then.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1507), 542.

¹¹ In 1464 Thomas Noreys of Newton-Toney, Wilts., gent., and Richard Whitley of London, gent. (*q.v.*), were mainpernors for Sir Thomas Hungerford (Fine Roll, 4 Edw. IV).

¹² *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

1469,¹ and Nov. 1471;² in 1479 Norris was a feoffee for uses in Cricklade and Chelworth; and the pardon roll, 28 June 1484, adds the *alias* "of Devizes" (m.12).

D. 11 Apr. 1489, when Alice, aged 4, da. of Simon Litlecote, s. of Jane, sis. of Thomas Norris, was his heir; lands—Wilts.

NORRIS, (Sir) WILLIAM (1433-1506); of Yattendon. Knt. of the Body 1469-83, 1485-1506; Lieut. of Windsor 1488-1506. M.P. BERKSHIRE 1459, and probably often thereafter. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of John Norris M.P. (1405-66) by Alice (Meerbrook) of Yattendon; m. (1) by 1465, when the Lady Jane Norris was made one of Queen Elizabeth's ladies in waiting with £20 a year,³ Jane da. of John de Vere, earl of Oxford (1407-62); and (2) 1471, Isabel (d. 1478),⁴ da. and h. of Sir Edmund Inglethorpe M.P. and widow of John Nevill, marquess of Montagu, slain at Barnet. Sir Edward and Margaret were his children by his first wife.

He sat in the Coventry Parlt., being the son of his father, and was kntd. by Henry VI just before the battle of Northampton, 10 June 1460. However, Edward IV took him into favour and made him steward of Cookham and Bray as his father had been. J.P. Berks., 18 Feb. 1467 to 14 Nov. 1470, 12 July 1471 to 5 Dec. 1483, and 18 Nov. 1494 till death; sheriff, Berks. and Oxon., 1468-9; on comms. in Oxon. and Berks., from 1469 onwards, but not under the Readeption, nor after 1 Aug. 1483 till Richard III was killed. He received a pardon from Henry VI by word of mouth, 8 Apr. 1471, almost the last pardon he issued. He was called King's knt. in 1469, and knt. of the body when he was made keeper of "Folly John" in Windsor forest, 27 July 1474. On 7 Feb. 1478 he had custody of the Marchioness Montagu's lands during the minority of her son and his stepson, George Nevill. In 1478 he heads the list of the Berks. electors, and in 1479 he had custody of Langley, during the minority of Clarence's heir.

Norris was leader in Berkshire of the Duke of Buckingham's rising against Richard III in Sept. 1483. In Oct. he was to be arrested in Devon with the Marquess of Dorset, Knyvett, Bouchier, George Browne and Harcourt (*qq.v.*). He escaped, but was attainted Feb. 1484,⁵ estates forfeited and granted elsewhere. After Bosworth his attainder was reversed; he was exempted from resumption in respect of grants made to him by Edward IV and Henry VII, *i.e.* the custody of Langley, lieutenancy of Wychwood forest, stewardship of Clarence's manors of Bereford, Shipton and Spillsbury, Oxon., and the keepership of Folly John, 1485.⁶ Further forfeited estates came his way, and on 12 Jan. 1487 he took out a pardon as "of Yattendon, knt., late sheriff of Oxon. and Berks., late tenant of Langley, Oxon., late J.P. Berks., late of London" (m.20). In 1499 he had a renewal of his father's licence to enclose Yattendon. He was a knt. of the body in 1504, and was made steward to the Chancellor of Oxford University (as his father had been), 7 Nov. 1505.

¹ "Of Calne, Wilts., mainpernor for John Field of Lye Delamore, *alias* late eschr., *alias* late of Hyswynden, Wilts., gent." (m.4).

² As "of Calne, gent., *alias* of Heyswindeon, *alias* late eschr., *alias* late of Newton-Tone, Wilts."

³ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 377.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 245.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1478), 63.

⁶ *ibid.* vi. 358.

D. shortly before 10 Jan. 1507 when John Braybroke was made keeper of Folly John in his place ; in Apr. John Williams (*q.v.*) took his place as lieut. of Windsor Castle.

NORTON, (Sir) SAMPSON (1450-1517) ; of Southampton and Fulham, Mdsx. Master of the Ordnance 1494-1516 ; Chamberlain of the Exchq. 1495-1516 ; Porter of Calais 1494-1506 ; Knt. of the Body 1495-1509 ; Marshall of Calais 1512-5. Soldier. M.P. Southampton 1487.

A John Norton of " Nutle ", Hants, was pardoned in 1446.

Sampson was a collr. of petty customs in Hants, 1475 ; but he was a royal servant in 1486 when he was granted by the crown the manor of Tarrant-Launceston, Dorset ; on comn. in Sussex 1486 ; on gaol delivery, Southampton, and M.P. 1487. He was kntd. just before going to Brittany in command of troops, 20 June 1490.¹ On comn. in Wales, Oct. 1491 ; at court at the reception of the French ambassador 1492, and at York's creation, 1494.² Sheriff, Som. and Dorset, 1494-5 ; apptd. master of the Ordnance with 2s. a day and clerk and yeoman, 12 Nov. 1494 ; succeeded Sir William Stanley as a Chamberlain of the Exchq., 9 Feb. 1495 ;³ probably already porter of Calais ; knt. of the body by Apr. 1495, when apptd. steward of Denbigh ;⁴ collr. of customs and subsidies in Southampton 1490 and 1500, but with clerks to do the work ; and at some time he had been chamberlain of N. Wales.⁵ Sir Richard Carew replaced him as porter of Calais, 6 Oct. 1506.

He was at the funeral of Henry VII, and Henry VIII retained him as master of the Ordnance, but he ceased to be steward of Denbigh ; pardoned, as of London, Southampton and Fulham, Master of the Ordnance, 1509/10. His son of the same name was a yeoman of the guard, paid 12*d.* a day, 1511 ; and Sir Richard Cholmeley and Sir Sampson Norton were paid £56 for finishing the tower at the back of the ordnance house in the Tower.⁶ From 1512 to 1516 he was in France—" he took some Frenchmen within the county of Artois and was himself taken in the town of Artois " (Arras), Aug. 1512⁷—a captain in the King's army in France, commanding the Middlesex contingent, 1513. He accounts for the Tournay expedition, June 1514.⁸ He was marshall of Calais, which in this case meant provost-marshal and paymaster, and his tenure of office ended in riots. Lord Mountjoy, the lieut. of Calais, begs that another marshall be sent in his place. He himself wrote to Wolseley :—" he came to Tournay with Lord Mountjoy and consulted how to diminish the garrison. " all cried out " Money ", " Down with Sir Sampson ", and " the lieutenant caused him to avoid the town ", Feb. 1515.⁹ Mountjoy failed to punish the mutinous troops—" their number was great ",¹⁰ but Sir Sampson remained for a time Master of the Ordnance. During 1516 he was replaced at the Ordnance by Sir William Skevington at 2s. a day ; still a Chamberlain of the Exchequer 11 Sept. 1516 when he was joined in that office by Sir John Heron, treasurer of the chamber.¹⁰

D. in Feb. 1517, when Tarrant-Launceston again fell into the gift of the Crown.

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1490), 324.

² Gairdner, *L. & P. Henry VII*, i. 231, 238.

³ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, II. i. p. 731.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1495), 16, 24.

⁵ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 257 (78).

⁶ *ibid.* II. ii. p. 1460.

⁷ *ibid.* i. p. 1333.

⁸ *ibid.* II. ii. p. 1511.

⁹ *ibid.* II. i. pp. 52, 53, 58, 104.

¹⁰ *ibid.* II. i. pp. 731, 876-7.

NOTTE, HENRY ; of Devon ? M.P. Launceston 1442.

There was a *William* Notte who was captain of the masons in the Agincourt campaign ;¹ *Thomas* Notte, M.P. Bedwin 1450-1 ; *John* Notte M.P. Westbury 1453 ; *William* Notte of Myghelchurche, Somerset, was late bailiff of the liberties of the bishop of Bath and Wells 1437. This last may be his father, but the only reference found to Henry Notte is that such a man was trespassed against at Thelbridge, Devon, 29 Jan. 1469.²

NOTTE, JOHN (1420-85) ; of Devon, gent. M.P. Westbury 1453-4.

In 1463 John Notte was a collector of the subsidy in Devon.³ A general pardon was issued in May 1470 to John Notte, gent., and many others of the West Country. His son or grandson Robert was suing as his heir for Lafford (Leeford), Devon, in 1487.⁴ But there was a Nott family at Corsham, Wilts., cf. Thomas Notte M.P.

NOTTE,⁵ THOMAS. M.P. Bedwin 1450-1.

In 1459 the sheriff of Berks. sumnd. John Norris esq. by Thomas Notte and two others ; so that he was probably a sheriff's officer. But he was of a Wiltshire family and may be the founder of its fortunes. For "Winters Court, Corsham, was from the early years of the 15th century in the hands of the Nott family, which also owned other property in the parish."⁶

NOTTINGHAM (NOTYNGHAM),⁷ Sir WILLIAM (1415-83) ; of Gloucester ; King's Attorney 1452-83 ; Baron of the Exchequer 1461-83 ; and P.C. M.P. Gloucester boro' 1449-50 ; GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1453-4. Summoned 1453, 1455, 1459, 1460.

S. of William Nottingham (*d.* 21 Nov. 1427) by Christine ; *m.* (1) in or before 1441, Elizabeth (possibly) de la Bere, and widow of John Brewes esq., cofferer of the Household,⁸ (2) Cicely (dead by 1470) (possibly a Crofton), (3) after 1 Sept. 1480, Elizabeth, da. and coh. of John Goldwell of Fawkham, Kent (citizen and mercer of London) ; she remd. before 1485 (as his third wife), Richard Pole (*q.v.*), whom she surv. and *d. s.p.* before 1512.

Elector, Glos., 1442, 1472, and Gloucester, 1472 ; justice of gaol delivery there from 1445 ; J.P. Glos., of the quorum, 16 Mar. 1445 to Dec. 1470, 30 June 1471 to 12 May 1474, and 20 Nov. 1474 till death. J.P. also in counties Worcester, Hereford, Devon, Wilts. (of the quorum), Dorset, and a dozen other counties from 1474 onwards ; eschr. of Glos. and the Welsh March, 1446-7 ; one of the two bailiffs of Gloucester, 1449 ;⁹ apptd. King's attorney for life, 30 June 1452.¹⁰ In 1453 he was both returned for Glos. and sumnd. as King's Attorney by individual writ. He was, with Thomas Mille (*q.v.*), justice of o. & t. 10 Apr. 1455 ; his appt. as King's attorney renewed during pleasure, 8 Apr. 1461 ; but, as he was not summoned to the ensuing Parliament, he may have been then made Baron of the Exchequer. He was granted for life a yearly rent of £40, being then a Privy Councillor, 28 Aug. 1465 ; exempted from Acts of Resumption in respect of this

¹ Nicolas, *Agincourt*, 358.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1469), 52.

³ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV (m.15).

⁴ *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. 178.

⁵ cf. also Henry Notte and John Notte.

⁶ *Wilts. Arch. Mag.* xliii. 535.

⁷ He acquired considerable property in Glos., and lived on or near Cecily Hill in Inchtrip, Glos. He came of a family of weavers in Cirencester.

⁸ *Pardon Roll*, 1446 (m.38).

⁹ Bigland, *Hist. of Gloucester*.

¹⁰ His predecessor was John Vampage ; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1452), 556.

grant, 1467 and 1473 ; again eschr. 1471-2. Apptd. Chief Baron of the Exchequer, during good behaviour, 3 Apr. 1479 ;¹ kntd. shortly before 13 Feb. 1480 ;² his appointment as Chief Baron surrendered and cancelled 13 June 1483 ;³ removed from all offices by Richard III. In 1455 he dwelt by the North Gate of Gloucester in a house he had for life of the gift of the Earl of Shrewsbury.⁴

D. 7 Sept. 1483 ;⁵ will dat. 1 Sept. 1483, proof not given. To be bur. in St. Peter's, Gloucester, beside his second w. Cecily ; mentions father and mother ; masses for souls of wives Elizabeth and Cecily, and John de la Bere, bp. of St. Davids ; the Weavers' hall, Cirencester, was founded under his will ; Thomas Hanchiche (*q.v.*) was an exor.⁶

NOWELL see NOEL.

NUNDY, ROBERT (1405-60) ; of Derby, mercer. M.P. Derby boro' 1447.

Sworn to the peace in Derbys., 1434 ; heads the list of the electors in Derby in 1449 (1) ; and elector in both town and county in 1449 (2) and 1450. In Apr. 1451 Robert Nundy, mercer of Derby, was one of those fined 20s. each for treasons and trespasses whereof they were impeached before the sheriff in 1447—obviously an election riot.

NUNNELEY (NONNELEY), RICHARD (1450-97) ; of London, grocer ; from Shrewsbury. M.P. London 1489-90, 1497.

He stood surety in £100 for the master of the mint, 12 Feb. 1483 ; one of the 8 apptd. by the city to attend the King's council at Westminster, 1488 ;⁷ with John Broke, also grocer, he had licence to export wool to the Mediterranean from London, S'hampton or Plymouth, 14 Mar. 1489 ;⁸ auditor of London 1493-5.⁹ Trustee of the orphan da. of ald. Gardiner (*q.v.*) 1494 ; apptd. again to wait upon the King and council, 1496.¹⁰

D. Sept./Dec. 1497 ; will, dat. 18 Sept., pr. 15 Dec. 1497—stapler of Calais.¹¹

NY.... see NI....

ODALE see UVEDALE.

ODDINGLEY, HENRY. M.P. Wareham 1453-4.

The name is not a Dorset one, and Oddingley is in co. Worcester. Probably the man came from afar as did so many of the Wareham M.P.s. In 1456, William Overton sued Harry Oddelyn *alias* Addelyn, of Ancaster, Lincs., for malicious

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1479), 154.

² This is his first appearance as a knt. (a comnr. of *oyer and terminer*) ; he was not a knt. when apptd. Chief Baron, 1479 ; *ibid.* (1480), 183. ³ *ibid.* (1479), 154.

⁴ *Rental of all Houses in Gloucester*, 1455 ; by R. Cole, Gloucester (1890), p. 90.

⁵ *Inq. p.m.* 1 Ric. III, No. 37 ; heir unknown ; lands—Glos.

⁶ *Bristol and Gloucester Arch. Soc.*, viii. 184-5.

⁷ *Jor.* 9, fo. 222.

⁸ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 432.

⁹ A. B. Beaven, *Ald. of London*.

¹⁰ *Letter Book L.* 317 ; *Jor.* 10, fo. 79d.

¹¹ To be bur. St. Stephen's, Coleman st., under a marble stone, where Katherine his late wife lies. Bequests to John and Agnes Fisher, sometime living in Shrewsbury and now dwelling in Montgomery ; for reparation of St. Alkmund's, Shrewsbury ; £5 to cousin Alice Fox ; to William Nonyeye his servant 40 marks. Masses for souls of Hugh and Agnes, parents of his late wife Katherine. 100 marks each to his children Elizabeth, Agnes, Nicholas and William when they come of age or marry. Bequest to Margaret his w. and she exix. with John Lednard and Alice his w., and Thomas Cradley and Katherine his w. (P.C.C., 15 Horne).

arrest in Swineshead church¹ which gives quite a different derivation of name and man.

ODY, RICHARD (1440-1505); ald. of Nottingham, draper. M.P. Nottingham boro' 1491-2.

S. of John Ody of same, draper (*d.* 1482).²

Sheriff, 1465-6; elector, 1472, 1478; charged with 16*d.* on the Nottingham subsidy roll;³ a supervisor of work at Newhall, 1478;⁴ 20 wain-loads of "pytte coles", each containing a whole "soke" of coals of Selston Pitte, to be delivered to Richard Ody of Nottingham, draper, 3 July 1483;⁵ mayor 1487-8, 1494-5; a feoffee in will of Richard Skinner of Surrey;⁶ one of the Common Council of Nottingham, 1499, 1500.⁷

OGARD, Sir ANDREW (*alias* ANDRES PEDERSEN) (1400-54); of Buckenham, Norfolk, and of Rye, Herts. Councillor to Duke of Bedford 1433-6; and to Duke of York 1442-50; King's Knight 1441-54. Soldier. M.P. NORFOLK 1453-4.

S. of Sir Peder Nielsen of Aagaard, Denmark, probably by Anne, his second wife; *m.* Alice da. of Sir John Clifton of Buckenham; she *d.* Apr. 1460, when the wardship of Henry Ogard the heir was granted to Queen Margaret.

Sir Andrew became naturalised in 1433 and served in France under the Duke of Bedford. Arms:—a seven-pointed golden star on a blue field—whence the family, later, took the name Gyldenstjerne.⁸ He served on an expedition into Anjou in 1425;⁹ during 1433-4 he was captain of Vire with ten horse and ten foot lancers and sixty archers. On 1 May 1435 Bedford granted Ogard, as his "Chamberlain and Councillor", the constableness of Prudhoe castle, Nhd.;¹⁰ he was one of the Duke's exors. In 1438 he was sent as an ambassador to France,¹¹ and again in Sept. 1442 to negotiate peace.¹² By June 1443 he was on the Duke of York's council in France—sent by the Duke to the Privy Council.

As co-feoffee with Sir John Fastolf and Sir William Oldhall, all old soldiers, he had licence in 1443 to empark land in Rye, Herts.¹³ J.P. Herts., 4 Dec. 1443 to 12 July 1445, and 17 Apr. 1454 till death. On Herts. comns. 1449; on Norfolk comns. 1450. J.P. Norfolk, 23 July 1454 till death. The Privy Council gave him permission in Mar. 1445, as one born in Denmark, to take seisin there of lands he had inherited.¹⁴ In Dec. 1445 he went back to France; he and his men had letters of protection in July 1447. As patron of Wymondham priory he was granted licence to approach the Pope to get priory changed to abbey, Apr. 1448. At that time the Duke of York's Council seems to have consisted of—Scales, Oldhall, Ogard, Devereux, Barre, Mulsho, Conyers, and Darcy, all knights.¹⁵ He was called "of Rye" in 1448; retained to serve the King in France, 25 Feb. 1450, becoming captain of Caen; he surrendered Caen, 1451. As Andrew Ogard *knt.* he appears on the Pardon Rolls of 1446 and 1452; and he was constable of Wisbech castle in 1453.¹⁶

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 25/2. ² Will pr. at York 1482 (5. 61).

⁴ *ibid.* 299. ⁵ *ibid.* 421. ⁶ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.* ii. No. 171.

⁸ *Ex inf.* Director of the Geneal. Instit., Copenhagen.

¹⁰ *ibid.* 434. ¹¹ *Foedera*, V. i. pp. 45, 55. ¹² *ibid.* p. 114.

¹⁴ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 38. ¹⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1449), 231.

³ *Nottingham Records*, ii. 295.

⁷ *Nottingham Records*, 300-2.

⁹ Stevenson, *L. & P.* ii. 412.

¹³ *Cal. Charter Rolls* (1443), 39.

¹⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 24/45.

D., "late captain of Caen", 13 Oct. 1454, when Henry, aged 4, was his s. and h.; lands—Herts. and Norfolk. Will: To be bur. on the north side of the high altar at Wymondham. Mentions s. Henry, da. Anne, w. Alice. Exors.:—his w., Sir Thomas Bouchier, lord Berners, Robert Whittingham, Edward Ellesmere and "my servant" John Randolf.¹

OGDEN (OKEDEN), WILLIAM (1420-61); of Eton, Bucks. M.P. Dorchester 1455-6. Lancastrian.

There is no Dorset reference to such a man. In June 1450 Alice, duchess of Suffolk, by her letters patent appointed William Okeden to be bailiff of Fritham in the New Forest, to hold by self or deputy. This was confirmed by royal letters patent, 16 Oct. 1452, and he was granted also a wage of 4*d.* a day for good service to the King and to the college of St. Mary at Eton.² On 2 June 1456 the keeping of lands late of Nicholas Wodegrove in Chelswood, Devon, were granted to Okeden on the mainprize of John Cook of Hertford and of Richard Bylte (*q.v.*) of the New Temple, London.³ In Feb. 1459 the provost of Eton was granted the farm of 20 marks paid by Weston and William Okeden for the keeping of the prebend of Upavon, Wilts., which had been granted them in 1457 for 20 years.⁴

Presumably he died in the "troubles", 1460-1, as he had no pardon in 1461-2.

OGLE, JOHN (1415-60); of Foxton, esq. M.P. NORTHUMBERLAND 1450-1, 1453-4. Yorkist.

Yr. s. of Sir Robert Ogle of Norham and Bothal M.P. (*d.* 1436/7), by Maud da. of Sir Thomas Grey of Heton, Nhd., and bro. of Sir Robert, lord Ogle (1406-69); *m.* 1449/50 Margaret da. and coh. of Robert Booth of Prescott.⁵ His s. John *d. v.p.* and he was succeeded by his second s. Roger.

In 1435 his father gave him lands in Unthank; one of those to whom the Tweed fisheries were granted, 23 Mar. 1442; perhaps admtd. to Lincoln's Inn, 1444 (—Ogle); in the service of Henry, earl of Northumberland, by whom he was granted Foxden (Foxton) in 1449; J.P. Nhd., 9 Nov. 1447 till death; eschr., Nhd., 1450-1; comnr. in Nhd. 1451. His bro. gave him North Middleton, 1454; apptd. one of the collrs. of customs and subsidies in Gt. Yarmouth, 21 Oct. 1457; pardoned, 8 Nov. 1458,⁶ when he must have been also a customer at Berwick.⁶

D. shortly before 25 June 1460, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued.

OGLE, Sir ROBERT (1406-69); of Ogle, Bothal and Norham; Keeper of Roxburgh, Berwick, and the E. March. (Lord Ogle 1461.) M.P. NORTHUMBERLAND 1435, 1437, 1442; sumnd. 1461-2, 1463-5, 1467-8. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Sir Robert Ogle of the same (M.P.) (knt. of the body, constable of Norham, capt. of Berwick, *d.* 1436), by Maud da. of Sir Thomas Grey of Heton and Wark; *m.* Isabel da. and h. of Sir Richard Kirkeby of Kirkby-Ireleth, Lancs.⁷

It is probably the son who was seized and held to ransom by the Scots 1426/35;

¹ P.C.C., 2 Stokton. ² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1452), 69. ³ Fine Roll, 34 Hen. VI (m.6).

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1459), 477. ⁵ H. A. Ogle, *Ogle and Bothal*, 168.

⁶ Pardon Roll, 8 Nov. 1458—John Ogle esq., *alias* late eschr. of Northumberland, *alias* collr. of customs at Berwick (m.5).

⁷ Pardon Roll of 1446, as of Ogle, exor. of the will of Robert Ogle, who was heir to Robert Ogle, exor. of the will of Edward Ilderston; *alias* Robert Ogle, knt., and Isabel his wife, da. and h. of Richard Kirkeby of Lancs. knt. (m.36).

he and his father, both knts., were sworn to the peace in Nhd. in 1434; the son was sheriff of Norham and Eland, 24 Aug. 1436 till death; sheriff of Durham, 4 Oct. 1437 to 1438. In 1438 he was sent as an ambassador to Scotland, and by July of that year he and Sir Ralph Grey were joint keepers of the East March and captains of Berwick, 1438-41. Also, jointly with Ralph Grey, keeper of Roxburgh castle, 1439-40; J.P. Nhd., 18 July 1442 to 25 June 1460, 10 Mar. 1461 till death; on comms. in Nhd. 1454 to 1466; pardoned 1446.¹ In May 1448 Sir Henry Percy and Sir Robert Ogle invaded Scotland and burnt Dunbar,² a trip which seems to accord ill with a grant to Sir Henry Percy in Feb. 1449 of all the goods late of Sir Robert Ogle, outlaw. Outlaw or not, Ogle was being paid in Aug. 1449 as (sole) keeper of Roxburgh, and he was lieut. of Tynedale in May 1452; there is a royal letter requiring him to observe better the truce with Scotland. In May 1455 he brought 600 men south with Lord Clinton, joined York, Salisbury and Warwick (warden of the West March), and then defeated and captured the King at St. Albans.³ Naturally in Nov. he received a pardon, as of Ogle, *alias* of Norham (m.25). Apptd. conservator of the peace with Scotland, June 1457; jointly with Sir Ralph Gray, keeper of Roxburgh, Feb. 1459; and when the Yorkists came into power he was sumnd. to Parlt. as Lord Ogle, 26 July 1461.

He did not however attend that Parlt., being busy in the North.⁴ In Apr. 1461 he was besieging Henry VI in Carham castle, and by Aug. he was made warden of the East March. He was comsnd. 2 May 1461, to take into the King's hands Harbottle and Ford castles, and crush any of "the company of Northumberland" who may resist; and in Aug. 1461 he received a grant for life of the constablership of Alnwick, Warkworth, Prudhoe, Rothbury, Newburn, and of all the earl of Northumberland's lands. As warden of the East March he was sent in Nov. 1461 to Scotland as ambassador; and in Jan. 1462 he had a grant of Redesdale and Harbottle, forfeited by Sir William Tailboys (*q.v.*). With Warwick, Lumley and Colt (*qq.v.*), he was sent to treat with the Scots in June 1462;⁵ in Oct. 1462 he captured the French leaders on Holy Island; helped at the siege of Bamburgh, Xmas 1462; and he may be presumed to have been at Hexham fight. He was again adjured in Oct. 1466 to keep better the truce with the Scots; was exempted from resumption, 1467, in regard to the forfeited lands of William Tailboys.⁶

D. 1 Nov. 1469, when Eweyn (Owen) Ogle, aged 30, was his s. and h.; lands—Cumbd. and Nhd.⁷ Arms—silver, a fess between three crescents gules.

OKEDEN see OGDEN.

OLDCASTLE, HENRY (1400-60); of Tillington, esq. M.P. HEREFORDSHIRE 1427-8, 1442, 1453-4. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir John Oldcastle, lord Cobham, the lollard martyr (c. 1375-1417), by his first wife Catherine.

¹ See note 7 on p. 645.

² Ramsay, *Lancaster & York*, ii. 87.

³ Scofield, *Edw. IV*, i. 21.

⁴ *ibid.* i. 169; not present during the 8 days reported in the Lords Journals (*Fane Fragment*).

⁵ *ibid.* i. 248.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* v. 598; presumably the castles and lands of the earl were resumed and restored then to the Percy earls.

⁷ See H. A. Ogle, *Ogle and Bothal*, 45; *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Robert Ogle.

In 1431/43 Sir Richard de la Bere and John Yong sued Henry, s. of the late Sir John Oldcastell, concerning an inquest on William Aythyk, killed in a riot at Kinnersley,¹ and about the same time Henry Oldcastell was suing Walter Hakelett and Richard his son for riotously preventing the suing out of an assize of novel disseisin in "Irchingfield", Heref.² Comnr. in Heref. 1443 to 1460, including the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459; some of his father's forfeited lands were restored to him in 1444; J.P. Heref., 28 Nov. 1456 to 2 Nov. 1458; elector, Heref., in 1450; pardoned, 1446, 1456 and 1458—in each case as of Tillyngton, Heref., esq., *alias* late of Hereford. He was probably dead in 1460/5, as his feoffees, Simon Milburn esq. and ors., were then being sued.

OLDHALL, Sir WILLIAM (1395–1460); of Hunsdon. Chamberlain to the Duke of York 1440–60; soldier. M.P. HERTFORDSHIRE 1450–1 (SPEAKER).

S. and h. of Edmund³ Oldhall of Narford, etc., Norf. (*d.* 1417), by Alice da. of Geoffrey Fransham of Norf.; *m.* by 1431 Margaret da. of William, lord Willoughby of Eresby.

He was abroad serving under the duke of Exeter when his father died; was at the siege of Rouen 1418–9; and returned in 1421 to recover his lands from a fraudulent trustee, petitioning Parlt. for redress.⁴ He served under Salisbury at Crévant and Verneuil. As he was a knt. by May 1424,⁵ he was probably kntd. at the earlier battle, not at Verneuil on 17 Aug. 1424. He was at the invasion of Anjou and Maine, 1425; sent to Flanders 1426; for a time seneschal of Normandy, and constable of Montsoreau. In Oct. 1428 he was holding Argenton.

Returning to England he was at the great council, 24 Apr. to 8 May 1434, and again 24 Feb. 1439. By 1440 he was chamberlain to the Duke of York and one of his council, chiefly in France and Ireland in these years; on an embassy to Burgundy, Nov. 1446.⁶ He commanded La Ferté Bernard and surrendered that fortress, 16 Aug. 1449. Oldhall took out pardons on 14 July 1437 and 16 June 1446. He had acquired Hunsdon from the Duke of York about 1447, and built the great house there at a cost of 7,000 marks.⁷ In Apr. 1450 he went with his master, York, to Ireland. In spite of threats to strike off the head of Sir William they came back in Aug., and he was with the Duke in Wales in Oct. 1450 when he was elected to Parlt. for Herts. Both had been accused of instigating Cade's rebellion; yet "he was (*c.* 4 Oct. 1450) with the King at Westminster more than two hours, and had of the King good cheer."⁸ So in his first Parlt. he was chosen Speaker—a measure of the temper of that Parlt. Tuddenham and Heydon (*qq.v.*) laboured sore for Oldhall's favour through the medium of Burley and Young (*qq.v.*), proffering £2,000.⁸ As soon as the Parlt. was dissolved and Somerset again in power, Oldhall was accused of stealing Somerset's goods at the Black Friars and wisely took sanctuary at St. Martin's le Grand, 30 Nov. 1451.⁹ While Oldhall sat for Herts. and was Speaker, Walter Burgh sat for Downton, a boro' of which the bp. of

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* II/171.

² *ibid.* 16/112.

³ Not a knt. as in *Dict. Nat. Biog.*; *Geneal. N.S.* xix. pp. 25, 28.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* iv. 158b.

⁵ *Devon, Issues of Exchequer.*

⁶ *Issue Roll*, Mich. 25 Hen. VI, No. 766. ⁷ Gairdner, *Paston Letters* (ed. 1904), ii. 175.

⁸ *Eng. Hist. Rev.* (1910), 717; Gairdner, *ut supra*, i. pp. 81–3.

⁹ The dean recorded the whole of this incident—printed in A. J. Kemp's *Hist. Notes of St. Martin's*, 140.

Winchester was patron. This Burgh accused Oldhall of the theft, wherefore he was set upon in the London streets and wounded. In revenge, on 18 Jan. 1452, certain lords of Somerset's party broke into St. Martin's by night and carried off Oldhall to Westminster. But the dean—Cowdray—had him brought back "by the servants of the King in the presence of the Duke of Somerset, and thus we led him back at midday".¹ All the privileges of St. Martin's were maintained, and the lords who had broken into sanctuary had to make submission to the dean.

Then Oldhall was accused of sharing in York's abortive demonstration at Dartford, Mar. 1452, but was pardoned, 26 June 1452—"of Hunsdon, *alias* late of Westminster."² Again he was indicted of treason; a writ of *egigent* was issued against him in Nov.; and, as he dared not attend, he was finally outlawed in Mar. 1453. Walter Burgh had his goods, Somerset had Hunsdon, and Pembroke his Norfolk estates. The new Parlt. attainted him, 22 June 1453. In Oct. 1454 when York was Protector, Oldhall obtained a writ of error annulling his outlawry,³ but the King recovered, Somerset returned to power, and Oldhall remained in sanctuary.

The battle of St. Albans set him free, 22 May 1455. Early in June Oldhall surrendered to the King's marshal, submitted his writ of error, and William Nottingham (*q.v.*), as attorney general, admtd. and confirmed it, and his outlawry was repealed. He certainly did not sit for Herts. in the next Parlt.—probably being under attainr he was ineligible; but that Parlt. reversed his attainder, 9 July 1455,³ and he was pardoned on 12 Oct. as "of London knt., late of Hunnesdon, Herts." (m.20). Thenceforward he lived at Hunsdon, and there he entertained the archbp. and lord Bouchier in 1458.⁴ He was made J.P. Norf., 7 May 1456 till death. Sir William was with York at Ludford and again attainted in Dec. 1459, when Buckingham got his lands. He died Nov./Dec. 1460⁴ (not 1466 as stated in *Dict. Nat. Biog.*), bur. in St. Michael, Paternoster Royal.

Will dat. 15 Nov. 1460; date of proof not given.⁵ His da. Mary *m.* Walter s. of Sir Theobald Gorges of Wraxall, Som., and his last years were embittered by quarrels with his son-in-law and family. They stole his deeds while he was confined at St. Martin's;⁶ and the son-in-law accused Sir William of trying to murder him Feb. 1460.⁷

Oldhall's device was a bowshawe, or bowyer's float. His signature appears in *Archaeologia*, xxxvii. His arms—gules, a lion ermine.

OLIVER, WILLIAM (1405-55); of Gloucester; challoner; coroner. M.P. Gloucester boro' 1442.

Elector, Gloucester, 1433; one of the King's coroners in Gloucester, and one of the two bailiffs of Gloucester, also J.P. of the town of Gloucester, 1442.⁸ Bailiff

¹ For this notice we are chiefly indebted to an article by C. E. Johnston in *Eng. Hist. Rev.* (Oct. 1910), pp. 715-722.

² Pardon Roll, 1452, m.30.

³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 451a.

⁴ Stow records his burial in 1460.

⁵ To be bur. in Whittington College. Bequests to Hunsdon church, Herts., for tithes forgotten. To Edward, earl of March, a horse. Plate to Margaret Lexham, his sis., and Lady Agnes Cheyne, his niece; to Thomas Young (*q.v.*) £200 due from Richard, lord Willoughby, and Sir Theobald Gorges. Exors.:—Thomas Bouchier, Archbp. of Canterbury, William Yelverton, Thomas Young, John Heydon (*qq.v.*), William Lexham and Thomas Peytewyn (P.C.C., 21 Stokton).

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1460), 541.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 17/278.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1442), 134.

in 1431, 1436, 1442, 1446, but never mayor; as "challoner, late bailiff," he was pardoned certain fines, and he was one of the twelve Gloucester electors, 1453. In 1455 Elizabeth his widow held a principal tenement in Southgate st. which they had newly built.¹

OLIVER, WILLIAM (1410-75/6); of Bridport, merchant. M.P. Bridport 1442, (? 1463-5).²

S. and h. of Thomas Oliver of Devon, living 1436; *m.* Jane, possibly da. of William Mountford (*q.v.*), who survived him.

Eighteen times bailiff of Bridport, *i.e.* in every alternate year from 1438 to 1474, missing only 1444 and 1449; feoffee with his father, Thomas Oliver, for Sir Nicholas Carew in Dartmouth, 1436. In 1449 (2) and 1467 he was pledge for the Bridport M.P.s; and in June 1462 he was granted by the abbot of Sherbourne a pension of 13s. 4d., to himself and Jane his wife. As burgess of Bridport he conveys all his goods to trustees, July 1463; the feoffees for Woodmill, Dorset, are the abbot of Cerne, John Oliver, clerk, William Oliver and their heirs, 1465.³ Pardoned, 12 Feb. 1472, as of Bridport, gent., *alias* merchant. Called "cousin" by William Mountford (*q.v.*).

D. 1475/6; will, dat. 5 May 1475, pr. 5 July 1476.⁴

OLNEY, (Sir) ROBERT (1435-93); of Coventry, wool merchant. M.P. Coventry 1485-6.

He was pardoned as merchant or gent. of Coventry, 5 July 1465; sheriff of Coventry 1466-7; pardoned, among the staplers (with the *alias* "Woneley"), Jan. 1472; mayor of Coventry, *c.* 1480; pardoned again, 6 June 1486;⁵ kntd. 26 Jan./6 Nov. 1490; J.P. Warw., 6 Nov. 1490 till death before 27 Sept. 1494.

OLNEY, ROBERT (1410-75); of Weston-Bozon, esq. M.P. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 1442, 1449-50.

S. of John Olney, who was living in 1419, by Margery Bozon; *m. c.* 1430, Goditha da. and coh. of William Bozon of Weston-Underwood, Bucks., by whom he had a da. and h. Margaret, who *m.* in 1446 Thomas Throckmorton M.P.

Sworn to the peace in Bucks., as of Weston, 1434; pardoned for acquiring land in Wilton, Heref., and Waterhall, Bucks., without licence, 1448; J.P. Bucks., 5 Dec. 1441 to 21 July 1459; sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1452-3; pardoned 1455,⁶ and Jan. 1459;⁷ elector, Bucks., 1449 (1) and 1450, before and after his second

¹ *Rental of all the Houses in Gloucester*, 1455, by R. Cole, Gloucester (1890), 12.

² The description of William Oliver in 1463 as "Burgess of Bridport" is exceptional and so generally unusual as to make it possible that he was M.P. for Bridport 1463-5. "Burgess of" or "Burgess for" is the description of those then Burgess in Parliament.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, Vols. iii & vi.

⁴ To be bur. in St. Mary's, Bridport, at east end near the tomb of "my master, William Mountford." Bequests to w. Jane of lands in Bridport, Weymouth, Wyke, Melcombe Regis; after her death to be sold and proceeds to be divided equally among das. Alice, Elizabeth and Elizabeth. Lands in Dartmouth to keep a priest for masses for soul of William Mountford. Exor.:—w. Jane. Supervisors, John Newborough (*q.v.*) and William Huddlesfeld (*q.v.*) (P.C.C., 23 Wattys).

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1486, as of Coventry, merchant, *alias* gent., *alias* merchant of the Staple of Calais, *alias* wool merchant, *alias* fell merchant, *alias* Wonley, *alias* late mayor of Coventry (m.11).

⁶ Pardon Roll, 1455, as "of Weston-Underwood."

⁷ Pardon Roll, 1459, as "of Weston, *alias* of Rokston, Beds., *alias* of Wetton, Beds."

election for Bucks. It is impossible to say what part he took in the crisis of 1460, for though he was removed from the Bench in July 1459 he was apptd. to the Lancastrian comn. of array in May 1460. During the Readeption he was again made sheriff of Beds. and Bucks., 1470-1, of which post he was deprived on the restoration of Edward IV. He was pardoned 29 Nov. 1471,¹ and he must have died soon afterwards. His father John Olney may be the alderman and mercer of London who died 1457.

ONWEYN see UNWIN or WALWEYN.

OPY, NICHOLAS (1445-1510); of Bodmin, gent.; lawyer. M.P. Liskeard 1491-2.

Frequently an attorney, 1490; acted for Sir James Tyrell (*q.v.*) in Wilts. 1470.² In 1492 Opy and John Newton recovered by fine from William More lands in Lanoy and Landrake, Corn.;³ with others he obtained a writ, 21 Oct. 1493, and a writ *de ingressu* from the chancery, 2 Mar. 1506;⁴ he was one of those "tinnars" who were pardoned on payment, for not having carried out the King's regulations, 12 July 1508.⁵

ORANGE, JOHN (1430-90/1); of Exeter, merchant. M.P. Exeter 1469, 1487, 1489-90.

Perhaps s. of Richard Orange, mayor of Exeter in 1454-5.

He and John Netherton were paid 9s. 11d. as burgesses to the Parlt. at York in 1469 which never met. He was bailiff of Exeter 1470-1; senior bailiff 1472-3; mayor 1475-6. In Feb. 1482 John Orange of Exeter, merchant or gent., late clerk or deputy to Thomas Grayson (*q.v.*) one of the collrs. of customs and subsidy at Exeter and Dartmouth, was one of those pardoned. A feoffee to uses of land in Somerset in 1480, and dead by 1491.⁶ It is probably his s. of the same name who sat for Exeter in 1504 and 1510.

ORANGE, JOHN (1460-1520); of Exeter and London. M.P. Exeter 1504, 1510.

Probably s. of John Orange M.P. (1430-90), merchant of Exeter.

A feoffee in London, 1501; J.P. Devon, 12 Oct. 1506 till death. In 1510 recognisances were taken by the crown from Lord Henry Stafford of Chute, Devon, earl of Wilts., Sir Robert Throckmorton of Coughton, William Wadham of Caterston, Dorset (*q.v.*), John Skewys and John Orange of London;⁷ comnr. Devon, 1515; an "untrue inquest" was taken before John Orange and òrs. at Carisbroke, 1515;⁸ and he had licence to alienate lands in Kingston, Surrey, 8 Feb. 1518.⁹

ORMESBY, ARTHUR (1395-1468); of Southwark and of North Ormesby, Lincs., esq.; lawyer. M.P. Ludgershall 1467-8.

S. and h. of William Ormesby of North Ormesby by Margaret; *m.* Eden.

¹ Pardon Roll, 1471/2, "of Weston Underwood, esq., *alias* late sheriff of Beds. and Bucks., *alias* late of London, esq., *alias* late J.P. Bucks., *alias* late of Rokston, Beds."

² Plea Rolls, Trin. 10 Edw. IV; Trin. 5 Hen. VII.

³ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiv. 268.

⁴ Fine Roll, 9 Hen. VII (m.5); 20 Hen. VII (m.9).

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1508), 578.

⁶ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. p. 249.

⁷ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. p. 358.

⁸ *ibid.* ii. p. 325.

⁹ *ibid.* ii. p. 1224.

Arthur Ormesby of Lincolnshire, esq., was pardoned outlawry for not appearing when sued for debt by six citizens of London, 1419.¹ In 1420 the same squire, staying in England, appoints attornies in Ireland; in 1434, as of Southwark, gent., he was sworn to the peace in Surrey; and he was on a Surrey comn. of livery in 1443. He was pardoned, 30 May 1446, as "of Southwark esq." (m.48); and again, 16 Oct. 1455, "of London esq., late of Ormesby, Lincs., late of Gelsingham, Kent, late of Ilford, Essex, late of Southwark, late of Bedford" (m.31). From 1455 to 1467 he is found continually as a feoffee—in Northampton,² in London with Idoine (Eden) his wife,³ at St. Mary's in the Hundred of Hoo, Kent⁴—with Hugh Wich (*q.v.*) and with John Bamme (*q.v.*).⁴ J.P. Surrey, 27 Oct. 1466 till death; J.P. Lindsey, of the quorum, 4 Feb. 1467 till death.

He died 1468,⁵ leaving this remarkable will—dat. 2 Aug. 1467, pr. 16 Nov. 1468:—Arthur Ormesby, esq., s. and h. of William Ormesby, esq. and of Margaret his wife. He makes his will as he is about to make a pilgrimage to Jerusalem. To be bur. where it pleases God. Bequest to wife Eden of the manor of N. Ormesby with remainders to bros. John, Henry, nephew Arthur and brother Nicholas. Bequest to John Bamme esq. Also "I wolle and especially charge the said Eden that she, after my decease, finde sufficiently to scole a pour child born in North Turkey whos name was Mitre after he received the sacrament of Baptism," and he was brought into this land and caused to be Baptised the VI day of Aug. in yere of grace 1465 in St. Paul's, London, and called Hugh Arthur "till he be a scouler doctour of divinite if he in the meane tyme be gided and gov'ned by the counsell of the said Eden and be not of pour to finde himself. And when he is able and cunyng in grammar I woll he procede in the univ'site of Oxenford till he be a doctour of divinite if he be virtuous and to cunyng disposed and gided by the seid Eden."⁶

It will be noticed that he mentions a nephew Arthur Ormesby, but a man who would contemplate a visit to Jerusalem at 72 might well be capable of going to Westminster three months earlier. That his wife, Idonia = Idoine, was called Eden is important as proving an origin of a famous surname, *cf.* Petronilla = Parnell.

ORPID, JOHN (1420–70); of Reading, mercer. M.P. Reading 1450–1.

In 1443 he entered the Reading guild, paying his shot; a pledge there 1449; elector 1449 (2); elected a taxer of the borough, 25 Sept. 1450, and elected to Parliament, 23 Oct. 1450. As John Orpud of Reading, merchant, *alias* mercer, he was pardoned 25 Jan. 1456 (m.11). William Orpid and John Orpid senior were sworn in 1456, and John, senior, was a pledge in 1462.⁷

ORTON, ROBERT (1465–1525); of Leicester. M.P. Leicester boro' 1504.

Entered merchant guild, 1483, called "gent.";⁸ on 24 Nov. 1485 a lease was granted to Orton for 7 years of all manner of "tabell" and "shamell" within the vill of Leicester at £8 13s. 3½*d.* a year;⁹ grant to him, for good service, of a

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1419), 224.

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 196.

³ *ibid.* ii. pp. 7, 265.

⁴ *ibid.* iii. p. 314; ii. p. 540.

⁵ Fine Roll, 8 Edw. IV (m.28); mandates to Eschrs. of Mdx., Lincs., Surrey, Sussex and London.

⁶ P.C.C., 25 Godyn.

⁷ Guilding, *Reading Diaries*, i. pp. 16, 32, 34, 45, 51.

⁸ Bateson, *Records of Leicester*, 465.

⁹ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 590.

horse-mill, tenement and 4 shops in the swine market, Leicester, as previously held by Piers Curtis (*q.v.*), 21 Sept. 1490;¹ bailiff of Leicester and keeper of the gaol, 1498-1502. He leased Evington, Leics., for £50 a year in 1500, and was pardoned gaol escapes 1502; mayor of Leicester 1504-5;² pardoned, 13 Aug. 1508, as late bailiff or sub-bailiff of Piers Curteys, late bailiff. He was bailiff a second time, 1515.

D. c. 1525 at which date his name disappears from the municipal records.³

OSBORNE (USBARN), WILLIAM (1410-71); of Canterbury. M.P. Canterbury 1442, 1445-6, 1447.

Sworn to the peace in Kent, as of Canterbury,⁴ 1434; £40 was owed to him being "citizen of Canterbury," Feb. 1440; he and John Bertelot were feoffees in Canterbury, 1442/3; comnr. of sewers, 1443; one of those pardoned for being out with Cade, 1450.

D. 1471. Will, dat. 8 Apr., pr. at Canterbury, 8 June 1471. To be bur. in St. Dunstan's cemetery. Mentions Adam Osborn his tenant in the Culverhouse in Mungham (Mongeham). Lands and residue to wife Aveline absolutely. Exors.:—Aveline, John Swayn, Thos. Bayly and Thos. Philpott.⁵

OSENEY, THOMAS (1415-85); of Worcester, lawyer. M.P. Worcester city 1453-4.

Perhaps s. of Richard Oseney, M.P. and bailiff of Worcester (1380-1457).

An attorney in Worcester 1439;⁶ on gaol delivery at Worcester 1447 and 1448; an elector for the city 1449 (2), and for the county 1442, 1449 (2) and 1453 when elected for the city. His wife Agnes occurs in Worcester 1449, and Oseney was a co-feoffee with Sir Humphrey Stafford, Sir Maurice Bruyn and Thomas Hugford of Bramcote, Warw., in 1460. As late as Nov. 1482 he was alive and was owed 40s. by a butcher of Worcester.

OSKYN, THOMAS (1395-1450); of Colchester. M.P. Colchester 1426, 1429-30, 1432, 1435, (? 1439-40),⁷ 1442.

It will be seen that he generally partnered John Beech in the representation of Colchester, and it would seem that whenever Beech was not bailiff, Oskyn was—1427, 1434, 1438, 1445. A comnr. to press sailors, 1435.

OUSEFLEET⁸ (USFLETE), NICHOLAS (1390-1443); ald. of York, spicer.

M.P. York city 1439-40.

Perhaps s. of Sir Gerard Usflete, whose will was pr. at York, 1420; *m.* Margaret da. of John Northeby.⁹

Made free of York city, 1412; entered *Corpus Christi* guild, 1431/2;⁹ sheriff,

¹ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 510.

² Bateson, *op. cit.*, 449.

³ Hartopp, *Roll of the Mayors of Leicester*, 50-1. The mansion house and grounds, formerly occupied by him near the Blackfriars monastery, was leased by the Master and Brethren in 1538 to Thomas Katlyn of Leicester.

⁴ Isabel widow of William Osborne of Stone next Deptford, Kent, appears on the Pardon Roll, 1468 (*m.19*).

⁵ Cant. Prob. Reg. A. i. ff. 374, 374d.

⁶ Plea Rolls, Hill. 17 Hen. VI.

⁷ On 28 Jan. 1439, William, abbot of St. John's, Colchester, Geoffrey Rokhyll esq., Thomas Oskyn and John Beech, burgesses of Colchester, have licence to buy wheat and barley in Norfolk and Suffolk and take them to Colchester (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1439), 239).

⁸ Ousefleet is in Whitgift, Yorks.

⁹ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

1433-4; mayor 1438-9; exempted from all offices, as "of York, merchant", Jan. 1438. In 1440, called Nicholas Usflete of York, spicer, he was owed money by a spicer of Lancaster; an elector of York city 1427, 1435, 1437, 1442.

D. 2 May 1443; will, dat. 2 May, pr. 2 May 1443, at York.¹ In 1444 Nicholas Robinson, fishmonger of York, sued Robert, s. and exor. of Nicholas Usflete, for a false prosecution for debt.²

OVERAY, THOMAS (1455-1500); of Southampton, merchant. Troner 1485; gauger 1494-1500; captain of Jersey 1496-1500; squire of the Body 1499-1500.

M.P. Southampton 1485-6, 1491-2.

Perhaps related to Sir William Overay of Southampton, attainted 1484.

Thomas was pardoned, 20 Oct. 1484, as merchant or gent.; apptd. troner and weigher at S'hampton, Sept. 1485; sheriff 1487; mayor 1488-91; gauger at S'hampton and Poole 1494.³ He was at court at the reception of the French ambassador 1492; called "King's servant" and made keeper of Southampton castle, 19 Nov. 1495;⁴ apptd. captain of Jersey, 7 Dec. 1496; and governor of Jersey, 6 Nov. 1499 when called squire of the body.⁵

He was dead by 11 Dec. 1500 when a yeoman of the chamber was made gauger in his place; and Jean Lemprier, governor of Jersey, was exor. of his will, wherein he is styled "late Captain of Jersey."⁶

OVERHAVEN, JOHN (1385-1442/5); of Hythe, fishmonger. M.P. Hythe 1420, 1421 (Dec.), 1422, 1426, 1429-30, 1435, 1442.

A dealer in fish.⁷ In Dec. 1430 Overhaven was paid by the Hythe Corporation for the carriage of the staves and canopy from London, 20s.; this was the canopy for Henry VI's coronation. Overhaven and Richard Rykeden⁸ and a servant were also at Canterbury shortly afterwards for appraising the cloth held over Henry VI.⁹ On 19 July 1445 the Hundred Court presents "that the ——— is in a state of nuisance, near Bettispette, through neglect on the part of the widow of John Overhaven."¹⁰ He therefore died 1442/5.

OVERTON, THOMAS (1445-88); of Sandwich. M.P. Sandwich 1485-6, 1487.

Perhaps related to Clement Overton M.P. Romney 1437.

A comnr. in Kent 1478; elected to Parlt. 26 Oct. 1485, and while in London chosen mayor of Sandwich, 5 Dec. 1485. He had returned to Sandwich by 8 Jan. 1486, and John Swan had acted as his deputy mayor. Again elected to Parlt. 8 Oct. 1487. A jurat till 1487.¹¹

D. 1487/8; will, dat. 25 Nov. 1487, pr. at Canterbury 4 Feb. 1488.¹²

¹ York Wills, 2-58.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* bundle 13.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1494).

⁴ *ibid.* (1495), 58.

⁵ *ibid.* (1499), 189.

⁶ *ibid.* (1503), 313.

⁷ Wilks, *Parl. Representation of Hythe*, 46.

⁸ His fellow M.P. in 1421, 1422, 1426.

⁹ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* iv. 438.

¹⁰ *ibid.* iv. 431.

¹¹ Sandwich records, *per* Miss E. Scroggs.

¹² To be bur. in St. Mary's choir. Bequests to churches of Chislet and Ash, to John Thruston "my uncle." His last will made in John Goldsmith's house in Canterbury. Lands in Hythe to be sold; my mansion called "Swalous" in Ash and lands in Chislet, charged with 5 marks a year to my "mother" Agnes. After w. Agnes' death, the marsh in Chislet called Fredys to Wm. Sturston, remainder to Robert Cuppildyke. Other marshes—"le Salt" and Bochersmarsh in Chislet—to Ralph s. of Thomas Morys of Canterbury with remainders. Residue to w. Agnes. Exors.:—w. Agnes, Thomas Morys of Canterbury, John Archer of Sandwich (Cant. Prob. Reg. C. iii. ff. 162d-164).

OVERTON, WILLIAM (1410-75); King's Servant. M.P. Appleby 1449-50. Lancastrian.

One of this name was nominated by the King as a scholar to Oxford University in May 1438.¹ Another was made bailiff of Stoke Daubeney, N'hants., during the minority of lord Roos' heir, 1439; was a feoffee for William Catesby in Lapworth, 1444 and 1448; and sued "Sir" Thomas Holland of Swineshead, Lincs., for malicious arrest in Swineshead church, 1456.² But a King's servant, William Overton, was on a comn. to arrest Yorkists in Yorks., Mar. 1460; keeper of the meadows and fisheries round Warwick forfeited by the Duke of York, May 1460. With Rose his wife, g.da. of John Pulter, he sued feoffees for land in Somersham, Hunts., 1465/83; sued Thomas, son of John Pulter, for messuages in Somersham.³ He occurs as an esquire in Yorks., Jan. 1470, and as a creditor was owed £47 in Mdsx., June 1470. Mr. Hornyold-Strickland assures us that he is not from Westd. or Cumbd., and the M.P. for Appleby was obviously a King's servant.

OWEN, Sir DAVID (1459-1535/42); of Cowdray, Sussex. Knt. of the Body 1485-1509; King's Carver 1486-1529. M.P. SUSSEX 1491-2, 1523, and probably between.

Bastard s. of Sir Owen Tudor (beheaded 1461); half-bro. therefore to Jasper, duke of Bedford, and half-uncle to Henry VII; *m.* (1) 1485/8, Mary da. and coh. of John Bohun of Midhurst (*d.* 1492) by Anne da. and coh. of Sir Piers Arderne, Chief Baron; by whom he had Sir Henry;⁴ (2) before 1500, Anne widow of Thomas Oxenbridge, serjt.-at-law (*d.* 1497), and eld. sis. of Edward Blount, lord Mountjoy; (3) Anne da. of John Devereux, lord Ferrers.⁵

He came from France with Henry Tudor and was kntd. at the landing at Milford Haven, 7 Aug. 1485; fought at Bosworth, made knt. of the body, was granted Catesby's lands in N'hants.;⁶ apptd. chief carver with a £50 pension, 2 Jan. 1486 (which grant and office was exempted from resumption 1486);⁷ J.P. Sussex, 15 Aug. 1488 till death; apptd. constable of Winchester, 1489; sheriff, Hants, 1489-90; on all the Sussex comns. of muster and array from 1489 to 1522. He was at court—at the reception to the French ambassador, 1492—at York's creation 1494—at the Archduke's reception 1500. He was one of the King's favourites denounced by Warbeck in 1497—"caitiffs and villains of simple birth".⁸ Parlt. in 1504 apptd. him a subsidy comnr. for Sussex;⁹ and exempted his Sussex lands from their act of division of estates between Marquess Berkeley and the Earl of Surrey. He was at his nephew's funeral, at Henry VIII's coronation, and his office of carver and his pension were renewed.¹⁰ Owen was proposed for the garter in 1509, but not chosen;¹¹ and Edmund Dudley in gaol made him his exor. He led 100 men to France in 1513; was at the marriage of Louis XII to Princess Mary, 1514; at the Field of the Cloth of Gold, 1520; attended Henry to

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1438), 173.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 25/182.

³ *ibid.* 31/356 and 33/356.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1509, Hen. Owen of "Midderst," Sussex, "Assher" (Esher), Surrey, and London, esq. or gent., s. and h. of Mary Owen, decd., late w. of David Owen knt. and da. and coh. of John Bohun esq. (*L. & P. Hen. VIII*, 438, 2 m. 7).

⁵ *Geneal. N.S.* xxviii. 116.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1485), 275.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 358.

⁸ Pollard, *Documents Illustrative*, i. 152.

⁹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 541, 531.

¹⁰ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. p. 38.

¹¹ *ibid.* i. p. 37.

Canterbury to meet Charles V, 1522.¹ While M.P. for Sussex, 1523, Parlt. apptd. him a subsidy comnr. for Sussex.²

D. 1535/42. Will, dat. 20 Feb. 1529 and 26 July 1535, pr. 13 May 1542.³ He probably built and lived at Cowdray after the accession of Henry VIII.⁴

OWEN (EWEYN), THOMAS; of Cambridge. M.P. Cambridge boro' 1467-8.

Treasurer of Cambridge, 1470;⁵ bailiff of Cambridge and party to the indenture 1472.

OXENBRIDGE (EXINBRYGE), ADAM⁶ (1450-97); of Southwark and of Rye; ? lawyer. M.P. Rye 1484, 1491-2,⁷ 1495.⁸

S. and h. of Robert Oxenbridge of Rye and of Southwark by Elizabeth da. and coh. of Sir Thomas Echingham;⁹ m. Agnes (Anne).¹⁰

Mayor of Rye 1482-3, 1485-6, 1487-8, 1496-7; jurat by 1483;¹¹ with Agnes his wife he became a lessee, under the prior of Hastings, of lands in Icklesham, Sussex, Dec. 1484;¹² at the meeting of the Rye hundred court 1487/8;¹³ coroner in 1486;¹⁴ one of those comsmd. to oversee the wafters of the Cinque Ports, 17 Sept. 1492.

D. 1496/7. Will, dat. 25 Sept. 1496, pr. 4 Nov. 1497. To be bur. in Lady Chapel in ch. of Rye. A chain of gold to s. Robert; 100 marks for her marriage to da. Anne; a cup of silver to s. John. Anne his widow to have a place in Southwark called the White Horse until son Robert is 20. Residue to w. Anne and bro. John, and they exors.¹⁵ His g.s., Sir Robert Oxenbridge, was M.P. Sussex 1553-8.

PACHET see PAGET.

PAGE, JOHN (1435-78/9); of Launceston. M.P. Launceston 1467-8, 1470-1.

¹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 1640, 2053 (6. 117), 3348; iii. p. 237, 241p; iii. p. 967.

² *ibid.* iii. p. 1362.

³ To be bur. in the Priory of Easeborne. If he die away from home to be brought back for burial. Masses for souls of Henry VII and Edmund Owen "sumetym erle of Richemond", Jasper, duke of Bedford, "my father and mother", and wives. Tomb to be like that of Lord Daubeney in Westminster Abbey. Bequests of mass books printed on paper, 500 marks to da. by my w. Anne, and 300 marks to his bastard da. Barbara. Bequests to da. Anne Hopton and to loving friend Wm. Huxley, serjt.-at-arms. Exors.:-Robt. Norwiche King's serjt.-at-law, Roger Denys, William Fitzwilliam knt. Supervisors:-Thomas, duke of Norfolk, John, earl of Oxford (P.C.C., 6 Spert).

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1509/10. David Owen of Eseborn, Midhirst, Brede and Byxster, Sussex, and of Westminster, knt., knt. for the body, and Anne his wife, one of the das. and hs. of Wm. Blount, kt. (*L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 1803 (2 m.1)).

⁵ C. H. Cooper, *Annals of Cambridge*, i. 217.

⁶ Probably Adam Levelode (q.v.) was his godfather.

⁷ 1492/3—paid to Mr. Adam for his first term being at Parlt. for 22 days—44s. (Rye, Chamberlain's Accts., ii. f. 103).

⁸ At Easter 1497 "Mastres Oxynbreg" was part paid "for her husband's beyng at the Kyngs parlement"—20s. (Rye MSS). But John Cheeseman and Nicholas Sutton were the Rye M.P.s in 1496/7. Oxenbridge's widow was paid for his being at the earlier Parlt. (L. A. Vidler, *Rye*, 165).

⁹ *Geneal. N.S.* xxi. 246.

¹⁰ Robert Oxenbridge of Brede, father of Adam, gave to Adam and Agnes his wife, the "White Horse" in Southwark (*Sussex Arch. Colls.* viii. 218).

¹¹ L. A. Vidler, *Rye*, 159, etc.

¹² Addl. Charters, Brit. Mus., No. 974.

¹⁴ Rye, Chamberlains' Accts., ii. 63d.

¹³ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* v. 498.

¹⁵ P.C.C., 7 Horne.

Perhaps s. of John Page, mayor of Plymouth. At some uncertain time John, s. of John Page, sued Walter Page, exor. of John Page, for deeds of tenements in Launceston;¹ and a John Page was repeatedly mayor of and comnr. in Plymouth and Devon 1449-72, repeatedly pardoned as merchant of Plymouth. It is probably he who with Margerie his wife took out a writ in 1455.²

In 1467 John Page, mayor of Launceston, and the bailiffs returned Thomas Corke and John Page as burgesses to Parlt. for Launceston. When returned in 1470 John Page is described as mayor. It must be the Launceston man who was J.P. Cornwall, 10 Nov. 1475 to 14 July 1478/13 Nov. 1479, and with this as guide he may be supposed to have died 1478/9.

PAGE, RICHARD (1430-93); of Horton, Kent; lawyer of the Temple; Solicitor to the King 1470-83. M.P. Plymouth 1455-6, 1467-8, 1470-1, 1478.

Perhaps s. of John Page, the Lancastrian mayor of Plymouth 1449-50.³

With other ex-Lancastrians he was pardoned, 12 Feb. 1462, as "of London, gent., *alias* of Horton, Kent, and Beatrice his wife, late wife of Richard Strickland, deceased" (m.33). Richard and Beatrice were pardoned for marrying, 19 Sept. 1462. In 1465/70 a Billingsgate parson was suing the mayor of London about an action for trespass which Richard Page and Beatrice had brought against him concerning a messuage in Billingsgate.⁴ On 31 Jan. 1470 he was made during pleasure "Solicitor to the King" with £10 yearly out of the Duchy of Cornwall. That he sat in the Readeption Parlt., presumably for Plymouth, can be seen from the will of Nicholas Statham esq. M.P. his fellow lawyer M.P.⁵ He was now "King's servant" and on a series of comns., mostly Kent, from 1472 onwards, including all the Richard III comns. of subsidy and array. He got the custody of a west country Coppleston in 1474, a £20 pension to be paid out of the customs of Plymouth in June 1475, when he was made steward of Eltham, Kent. He presented to Sutton, Kent, in 1479, Sir William Stonor's chantry priest.⁶

J.P. Kent, of the quorum, 26 June 1483 to 1485, when removed by Henry VII. Pardoned, 8 July 1484, as "of London, gent., late of Horton, Kent, late receiver of lands of Philip Coplestone esq. in Devon, *alias* receiver of concession granted by Parlt. in 14 Ed. IV in Som., Dorset, Devon, Cornwall, Bristol and Bath" (m.3). In Nov. 1490 Reynold Bray, Hody and Richard Page were co-feoffees in Somerset.⁷

He died 1492/3. Will, dat. 22 Aug. 1483, pr. 8 Oct. 1493. Richard Page, gent., of the Temple, London. Gifts to Temple church, to Horton and Shoreham churches in Kent for tithe forgotten. His wife called "Beterys" was already dead. Edmund Page his son residuary legatee. In a codicil dat. 1 Aug. 1492 he leaves a salt to Sir Reynold Bray, who is one of the feoffees named in the codicil.⁸

PAGE, WILLIAM (1460-1509); of Hoxton, Mdsx., and of Woldham, Kent. Yeoman of the Crown 1495-1509; teller of the Exchq. by 1509. M.P. Rochester 1495.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 73/30.

² *Fine Roll*, 34 Hen. VI (m.23). John Page of Plymouth was a strong Lancastrian.

³ R. N. Worth, *Hist. of Plymouth*, 126; and see John Page.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/39.

⁵ *Bulletin, Inst. Hist. Res.* ii. 49.

⁶ *Stonor Letters*, ii. 85.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1490), 338.

⁸ P.C.C., 12 Vox.

S. and h. of Edmund Page by Eleanor da. and h. of John Herenam ; *m.* Anne da. of John Rogers (*q.v.*) of Dartford ;¹ and/or (2) by 1496, Katherine (*b.* 1472), second da. and coh. of Elizabeth widow of Sir Humphrey Starkey C.J.²

John and William Page gents. had the keeping of places by Calais 1483 ;³ as "of London, gent.," he was surviving feoffee for Thomas Lovet esq., 1492 ;⁴ made yeoman of the Crown with 6*d.* a day, 6 Dec. 1495 ;⁵ pardoned, 1 July 1504, as of Hoxton, or of London, or of Shoreditch ; and again, 5 May 1509, with the additional description, of Woldham, Kent, *alias* late Teller of the Exchequer.⁶

D. shortly before 16 June 1509, when the pension of 6*d.* a day, late held by William Page, decd., was granted elsewhere.⁷

PAGET (PACHET), JOHN. M.P. Worcester city 1455-6.

This is probably an error for *Thomas* Paget, M.P. Worcester city 1460. John Paget occurs nowhere.

PAGET (PACHET), THOMAS (1425-65) ; of Worcester ; lawyer. M.P. Worcester city 1455-6, 1460-1.

An attorney in Glos. and Worcs., 1450, 1459 ;⁸ deputy to the sheriff in making the returns for Worcs., Jan. 1453 ; eschr., Worcs., 1456-7 ; one of the bailiffs of Worcester 1462. While bailiff, Henry Lambe, draper of Worcester, sued him and his colleague John Broke for letting out of prison William Tovey and other prisoners.⁹ In 1465 Dame Margaret Lucy, Thomas Wake esq., and Thomas Pachet gent. were to be arrested and brought before the King in chancery.¹⁰

D. Dec. 1465. Will, dat. 11 Dec. 1465, pr. 23 Jan. 1466.¹¹ Probably gt. g. father of Sir William Paget M.P.

PAGYN, JOHN ; of Hereford. M.P. Hereford city 1442.
Elector, Hereford city, 1431.

PAINTER, JOHN (1465-1506) ; of London, grocer. M.P. London 1504.

Collr. of subsidy, 1497 ;¹² auditor of London, 1496-8, 1505-6 ;¹³ took charge of the city ordnance when the Cornishmen came to London, 1497 ;¹⁴ at the Diet of

¹ *Visitn. Kent*, ii. 17.

³ Palmer's Index to the Fine Rolls.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1495), 62.

⁷ *ibid.* i. 94 (62).

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 29/82.

¹¹ Tho. Pachett ; to be bur. in Greyfriars, Worcester. Various bequests for his soul including 13*s.* 4*d.* to his aunt Dame Kath. Tolle to pray for him. To his w. his household goods in Worcester. His s. John to be apprenticed to Harry Newman, mercer, and to be governed by the advice of Master Burdett (*q.v.*) and Tho. Lygon (*q.v.*) and to go to school "till he have sufficiently his grammar and to sing and rede in the church," and to have a stock of c. mark delivered to his master and to be delivered to him at the end of his apprenticeship. Bequest to my Maister Burdett of "a peyre of gret bedys of ambr of 12 stones and my sword garnished with silver, and a chasid cup of paris werke." To Mistress Margaret Burdett a ring of gold which he had in pledge of Dame Anne Ormond and is forfeit "for a certaine some of money which she borrowed of me as bettr will appere in a litle blak boke." Bequest to Ric. Tolle his uncle, and his cousins Ric. Tolle and "Sir" Wm. Tolle to pray for him, and to Thos. Lygon, "to be a good friend and maistre to my wife and son, a new dowblett of damaske that was never worn, a peyr of Brigandynes." Gifts to uncle Ric. Pachet, Ric. Baker his bro.-in-law, and Agnes Baker his sis., and to my Master Thos. Burdett. Exors. :—Thos. Lygon, Ric. Brid, Edmund Forster (P.C.C., 12 Godyn).

¹³ Beaven, *Aldermen of London*, i. 289.

² *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 1165.

⁴ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 753.

⁶ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 438 (3) (m.1).

⁸ At end of Plea Rolls, *sub annis*.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1465), 491.

¹² Repertory, i. fo. 18.

¹⁴ Repertory, i. fo. 19*d.*

Bruges treating with the Hanse, *c.* 1499;¹ to treat with the King as to a confirmation of the city's charter, 1503.² Though never alderman he was an important member of the Common Council, and was allowed in 1503 to sit on the aldermanic bench.³

D. 1506. Will of John Paynter, grocer of London, dat. 16 Sept. 1506, pr. 9 Jan. 1507. To be bur. where he dies. Bequests to w. Alice and da. Jane. His father to have £4 a year for life. W. Alice sole exix. Supervisors his loving friends—Thomas Morice, Robert Hyll and William Staverton, gents.⁴ William Staverton was another grocer. Paynter and Staverton were both bound to the King under some penalty, and their recognisances were not cancelled till 1511.

PAINTER (PAYNTOUR), THOMAS; of Rochester. M.P. Rochester 1467–8.

In 1463 he witnessed the grant of an inn at Rochester.⁵ In 1465/83 Thomas Paynter, son of Alice, sued feoffees to uses for a messuage in Sandwich.⁶ In 1484 a Thomas Paynter was confirmed in a grant of a 10 mark yearly pension first made to him in 1476. But only the first seems likely to be the man of Rochester.

PALMER, RICHARD (1425–83); of Dover. M.P. Dover 1463–5, 1469.

Jurat of Dover 1452–69; chamberlain 1457, 1460, 1462; mayor 1461, 1470, 1474;⁷ deputy mayor 1468/9.⁸ He and 15 others of Dover received a general pardon in Sept. 1462 and May 1463. Will of Richard Palmer of Dover pr. 1483.⁹

PALMER, ROGER. M.P. Southwark 1460–1.

At the same time, as so often happens, he was an elector for Surrey, 1460. At some uncertain time Robert Chevington, clerk, and John Hill, exors. of the will of Roger Palmer, were sued for land in Burgh, Suffolk.¹⁰

PALMER, THOMAS (1405–75); of Holt, Leics., lawyer. M.P. LEICESTERSHIRE 1433, 1439–40, 1442, 1449 (1); RUTLAND 1450–1; LEICESTERSHIRE 1455–6, (? 1461–2), 1467–8. Yorkist.

Probably s. of William Palmer of Holt (*d.* 1424), by Katherine his first wife; *m.* (1) Margaret, (2) *c.* 1431, Elizabeth da. and coh. of William Bishopsdon, of Bishopsdon, Warw., who survived him.¹¹

J.P. N'hants., 20 Feb. to 3 July 1432; J.P. Leics., of the quorum, 26 Oct. 1436 to Dec. 1470, and 24 Oct. 1474 till death; J.P. Rutland, 20 Oct. 1436 to 25 Jan. 1459. On all the Leics. and Rutland comns. 1439 to 1473, including the Lancastrian comns. of array for both counties in Dec. 1459; linked with William Catesby as a bond holder of many poor folk in co. Warwick round about 1445;¹² elector, Leics., on all the occasions when he was not elected, *i.e.* 1449 (2), 1450, 1453; pardoned 1437¹³ and 1446; licence to impark 300 acres in Holt or Keythorpe, Leics., with grant of free warren, May 1448;¹⁴ was a trustee for the marriage settlement of York's daughter, 1458.¹⁵ His dealings with the Catesbys in Warwick

¹ Repertory, i. fos. 51d, 52d, 55d.

² Jor. 10, fo. 285d; Sharpe, *London and the Kingdom*, i. 337.

³ Repertory, i. fo. 149.

⁴ *Arch. Cant.* xxi. 316.

⁵ Statham, *Hist. of Dover*, pp. 231, 283.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/316.

⁷ *Cant. Prob. Regr.* C. 2. 560.

⁸ *Northants. Families, V.C.H.* pp. 241–2.

⁹ *Cal. Char. Rolls* (1448), 100.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 71/123.

¹¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 24; iii and iv *passim*.

¹² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 24; iii and iv *passim*.

¹³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 24; iii and iv *passim*.

¹⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 24; iii and iv *passim*.

¹⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 24; iii and iv *passim*.

and Coventry lasted throughout, typical of the worst side of 15th century domination.

When the Yorkists came he was made receiver of all the King's lands in Warw., Leics., N'hants., and Rutland; sheriff of Rutland 1461-3. For good service to the duke of York he was granted lord Roos' lands at Freeby, Leics., up to the value of £16 a year, Apr. 1462—renewed for 12 years in 1465, and exempted in 1467 "in recompense of divers goods and cattles from said Thomas Palmer taken with might by the said lord Roos in his coming from Ludlow Field to the value of £340"; a feoffee under the will of Ralph, lord Cromwell (*d.* 4 Jan. 1455); and Thomas Malory (not the writer), in his will dat. 1469, calls Thomas Palmer his brother. An apportioner of the subsidy for Leics. in 1463, when M.P.s were not apptd.;¹ removed from the bench during the Readeption, but restored on the Yorkist recovery.

D. 5 Sept. 1475, when Elizabeth Greenham (40), Margaret Borrow (40), das. of Thomas and Margaret his first wife, and Catherine Neville (30), da. of Palmer by Elizabeth his second wife, and Margaret Neale (21), da. and h. of Jane, the other da. of Thomas and Elizabeth, were his heirs.

PALSHUDDE, THOMAS (1400-65); of Merrow. M.P. Guildford 1433, 1442.

Mayor of Guildford, 1433-4;² sworn to the peace, as of Merrow, 1434; elector, Surrey, 1447, 1449 (2), 1450, 1453, 1460; elector, Guildford, 1460. With Jane his wife he exchanged land in Worplesdon and Pulborough with Robert s. of John Mill of Nutbourne, 1 Jan. 1434.³ A feoffee of land in Rusper 1454.⁴

PARIS (PARYS), JOHN (1405-70); of Winchester, dyer. M.P. Winchester 1447, 1449-50, 1453-4.

He paid rent for a dye-house and was, therefore, presumably a dyer by trade; released from the obligation of serving the office of bailiff in 1438; mayor of Winchester 1447-8 and 1448-9. The Chamberlain's Roll records that he and his colleague were paid £4 2s. 4d. for 23 days at the Parliament of Bury; and for the Parliament of 1454 at London and Reading 37s. 1d., with further payment of 40s. later. In 1450 he stood pledge for Thomas Sylvester then elected as burgess for Winchester. He appears fifth on the list of the 59 freemen of Winchester recorded as attending the boromotes in 1457.⁵

PARIS (PARYS), WALTER (1420-80); of Wells. M.P. Wells 1447, 1470-1.

He was made a freeman of Wells by patrimony, 1455.⁶ So was *Reynold* Parys in 1387, so was *John*, a fisherman, in 1413, and *John*, a barber, in 1436—evidently a large family in Wells. The pardon roll, 20 July 1469, includes Richard Gorges esq. and Walter Parys (m.1). Richard George (M.P.) was a well-known servant of the Household. Possibly Parys, though coming from Wells, was also connected with the Lancastrian Court, which would explain his resurgence in 1470.

¹ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

² Manning and Bray, *Hist. of Surrey*, i. 38; iii. 59.

³ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1434), 303.

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. 2.

⁵ *Ex inf.* J. S. Furley.

⁶ Wells City Charters in *Somerset Record Society*, 149.

PARKE,¹ WALTER; of Upton Scudamore? M.P. Chippenham 1442.

Walter Parke appears in 1443 with Robert Hungerford, John Baynton and Thomas Tropenell (*qq.v.*) feoffees for land at Broughton Giffard. The Park family of minor gentry were of Upton Scudamore, Wilts.²

PARKER, JOHN (1385-1445); ald. of Winchester, fuller. M.P. Winchester 1442.

A fuller by trade, with his house in Buck street; alderman 1417; collector of poundage, a city due, 1419; chamberlain 1429-30. In his early life he was in opposition to the authorities of the city. In 1421 he got up a petition to the boromote for the alteration of the city ordinances, which forbade citizens to carry on their industry outside the city; which petition was angrily dismissed. On 11 Jan. 1431 he was fined £10 for "offences and rebellions against the franchise of the city". But the entry of the fine is cancelled, and on 11 Aug. 1431 he was exempted from all offices "save mayor and burgess in Parliament", and further exempted from payment of all taxes and customs, "for good service rendered to the city at divers times".³

PARKER, JOHN (1395-1450); of Hastings. M.P. Hastings 1421 (1), 1423-4, 1425, 1432, 1435, 1439-40.

John Parker of Hastings the elder conveyed all his goods to trustees, 8 May 1430;⁴ and John Parker of Lewes was a trustee in East Grinstead the same year.⁵ John Parker of Lewes, gent., was sworn to the peace in Sussex in May 1434. In May 1443 John Parker and others had licence to found a perpetual chantry at St. Clement's, Hastings; commissioned in Nov. 1443 to take sea-fish for the Household, carriage therefor to be paid from the King's money. This last entry may not refer to the M.P.; for the M.P. is certainly not the John Parker, groom of the picher house and porter of Windsor castle; nor is he any of the contemporary John Parkers from Norfolk or Bucks. or Derbyshire.

For his probable son, see John Parker junior, M.P. Lewes 1453.

PARKER, JOHN (1410-60); of Hastings or of Hove. M.P. Hastings 1433, 1442; Lewes 1453-4.

As he is called junior on the Return for Hastings, he may be son of John Parker of Hastings, six times M.P. 1421-1440.

In May 1443 John Parker founded a chantry at Hastings, but this must be the father (*q.v.*). But in July 1450 John Parker of Hove, yeoman and constable of Hove Hundred, was pardoned for being out with Cade. The yeoman of Hove is certainly more likely to be the Member for Lewes, but may only be presumed to be the Member for Hastings.

PARKER, NICHOLAS (1410-70); of Norwich, gent.; of the Exchequer. M.P. Dunwich 1449 (1).

He was sworn to the peace in Norfolk, 1434; pardoned with Elizabeth his wife of their outlawry in Lincs. for a disseisin done by them at Grantham, 1439. He was clerk to Andrew Keble of the Exchequer (*q.v.*), July 1441, being given a

¹ A Chancery suit of 1450/65 introduces a Walter, bro. of John à Park in Kent, which is not likely to be the same man (*Early Chan. Proc.* 28/90). ² *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

³ *Ex inf.* J. S. Furley.

⁴ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1430), 44.

⁵ *ibid.* 64.

special reward for diligence in transcribing summonses of the Pipe for the better and safer raising of the King's money than hereto.¹ With Yelverton the lawyer, Sir Thomas Montgomery and the mayor of Norwich, he was commissioned to arrest Robert Wolston, July 1463; and in 1465, again with Sir Thomas Montgomery (*q.v.*), Parker had the keeping of lands late of Robert Pakyngham.² John Tymperley (*q.v.*) and Richard Southwell (*q.v.*) were their sureties.²

PARKER, ROBERT (1455-94); of Dover. M.P. Dover 1487.

In 1490 Giles, lord Daubeney, and others—including many Dover M.P.s and Robert Parker—arraigned an assise of novel disseisin against Sir John Bouchier concerning Walmer, Kent.³

D. 1494. Will, dat. 31 July 1494, pr. at Canterbury 16 Jan. 1495. To be bur. in St. Peter's, Dover; wife Alice to have all lands and goods, and she sole exix. Supervisor, William Waren "my brother" (*q.v.*).⁴

PARNELL (PERNEL), WILLIAM (1445-1500); of Rye. M.P. Rye 1483 (Oct.);⁵ 1489-90.⁶

Jurat of Rye 1479 onwards; mayor 1488-9, 1494-5; sent as one of the bailiffs of the Cinque Ports to Great Yarmouth 1492.⁷

PARR, Sir JOHN (1438-75); of Westminster. Keeper of the Privy Wardrobe 1460-1; Sq. and Knt. of the Body 1461-75. M.P. CUMBERLAND 1472-5; (? somewhere 1460-1, 1461-2, 1463-5). Yorkist.

Second s. of Sir Thomas Parr of Kendal castle M.P. (1405-64) by Alice (Tunstall), and yr. bro. of Sir William M.P. (1434-84); *m.* a da. of Sir John Young M.P. (1415-81), mayor of London.

Keeper of Privy Wardrobe with 12*d.* a day, as Gilbert Parr had, 2 Oct. 1460;⁸ comsmd., with his bro., against the Lancastrians in Cumbd. and Westd., 12 Nov. 1460; J.P. Westd., 10 May 1461 to 1470; comnr. of array, Westd., Nov. 1461; squire of the body 1461; also chief forester of Winfield, Westd., and other Clifford offices, 22 Dec. 1461; sheriff, Westd., 28 May 1462 till death. As a squire of the body at the Tower he occurs in the Issue Rolls in 1468 and 1469. The two brothers were granted Bellingham's forfeited lands in Cumbd.; they probably went into exile with Edward. John was knighted at Tewkesbury.⁹ Sir William and Sir John were made joint keepers of the six castles of Westd. Being sheriff of Westd., he sat for Cumbd. 1472-5,¹⁰ and "our welbeloved knights" William and John Parr were exempted by that Parliament.¹¹ An even closer connection with Parlt. is shown in the grant of a colation to St. Stephen's chapel, Westminster, made jointly to the Chancellor, the Chamberlain, the King's Secy., Sir John Parr and Thomas Lute (*q.v.*)—which reads like a cabinet perquisite, or a pool.¹²

¹ Issue Rolls. ² Fine Roll, 5 Edw. IV, m.16. ³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1490), 326.

⁴ Cant. Prob. Reg. C. iv. ff. 27d, 28.

⁵ Paid to William Parnelle for his Parlt. wages for 11 days in Richard's days, 22*s.* (Rye, Chamberlain's Accounts (1485). ii. f. 56d).

⁶ Paid to Wm. Parnell for his Parlt. wages by the commandment of his majesty—40*s.* (*ibid.* ii. f. 32d). ⁷ *ibid.* ii. f. 104d. ⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1460), 624. ⁹ Shaw, *Knts. of England*, ii. 14.

¹⁰ Sir John Paston wrote to John his brother, 1472:—Sir John Parr was their friend "and I have given Parr a fair arming sword" (*Paston Letters*, iii. 40).

¹¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 81.

¹² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1474), 439.

Sir John was passing through Calais on his way to Flanders in Jan. 1475;¹ he was to have served in the King's expedition to France, July 1475, with 10 men at arms and 100 archers, as befitted a knt. of the body. He was even paid for the 1st quarter;² but he probably died before the army crossed over, just before he ceased to be sheriff of Westmorland, 1 June 1475.

PARR, Sir THOMAS (1407³–64); of Kendal Castle. M.P. CUMBERLAND 1429–30; WESTMORLAND 1435; CUMBERLAND 1445–6; WESTMORLAND 1449 (1), 1450–1, 1455–6. Yorkist.

S. and h. of John de Par of the same (*d.* 1408). In 1413 the custody of Thomas, s. and h. of John de Par and Agnes was transferred, together with the custody of his lands, to Sir Thomas Tunstall of Thurland, Lancs., for 200 marks; and the heir *m.* Tunstall's da. Alice, and had Sir William M.P. (1434–83), Sir John M.P. (1438–75), and Thomas slain at Barnet.

On 29 Sept. 1429 the sheriff, Christopher Moresby knt., "after that Sir William Legh and Thomas de la More had been duly elected Knights of the Shire, procured one Thomas Parre and the saide Thomas de la More to be declared duly elected." A comn. was therefore apptd., and the justices taking the assizes in Cumberland were to enquire as to whether Parr had been duly returned.⁴ Their answer is not known; but he was eschr. of Cumbd. and Westd., 1429–30; J.P. Westd., 8 July 1432 to 28 Nov. 1439;⁵ kntd. 1430/2; and under-sheriff of Westd., 22 Nov. 1435 to 1 Nov. 1446 if not earlier;⁶ on Westd. comns. from 1437 onwards. In 1435/43 Henry Bellingham, esq., sued Sir Thomas Parr, the sheriff, for an attack on Bellingham's house at Barnoldshead, Westd.⁷ This was the beginning of the trouble with Bellingham. On 14 Mar. 1446 Thomas Parr, on his way down to the House of Commons, was assaulted by Robert and Thomas Bellingham. He petitioned in the same Parlt., where he is called knight of the shire for Cumbd.; and an Act was passed determining that the assailants should appear before the Court of the King's Bench or be attainted of felony; but apparently the affair was settled out of court for in the Parlt. of 1449 (1) the Bellinghams petitioned for repeal of the Act.⁸

Pardoned after St. Albans, Oct. 1455, and Jan. 1458, where he is described as of Kirby in Kendal. In 1459 he joined Salisbury and went south with the Yorkists to the battle of Blore Heath and on to Ludford; attainted 1459;⁹ and, according to Worcester (*Annales* 775), he was killed at the battle of Wakefield, 30 Dec. 1460. His inquisition, however, states that he died 24 Nov. 1464, when William Parr knt., aged 30, was his s. and h.; lands—Cumberland and Westmorland.

¹ *Paston Letters*, iii. 123.

² *Foedera*, V. iii. 57.

³ Proof of age, 1428, 6 Hen. VI.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1429), pp. 40, 41.

⁵ He took to farm in 1438 all Bedford's lands in Westmorland and Lancashire for £25 a year; this fee farm rent of £25 was granted in 1441 to Ayscough, Justice of the Bench, and the farm came to an end and was granted elsewhere in 1450.

⁶ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Wm. Parr.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 10/83.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* v. 168. Sir Thomas Parr's petition is embodied in the 1449 (1) petition of the Bellinghams. There is also an Act given for 1445 (*Rot. Parl.* v. 111) safeguarding M.P.s against similar outrages.

⁹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 349.

PARR, Sir WILLIAM (1434-83); of Kendal castle, K.G.; controller of Household and P.C. 1471-6, 1481-3. M.P. WESTMORLAND (? 1463-5), 1467-8, (? 1469), 1472-5; CUMBERLAND 1478 (and ? 1483 Jan.). Yorkist.

Eldest s. and h. of Sir Thomas Parr of same M.P. (1405-64), by Alice (Tunstall). He *m.* (1) Jane Trusbutt (*d.* 1473), widow of Thomas Colt (M.P.), and (2) Elizabeth, da. of Henry, lord FitzHugh.

Eschr. Cumbd., 1454-5. He was comsmd. with John his yr. bro. to arrest Lancastrians in Cumbd. and Westd., 12 Nov. 1460—probably not at Wakefield or Towton. His coms. began in Nov. 1461 and ended with the subsidy comn. 1 Aug. 1483; J.P. Westd., 10 Sept. 1461 to 14 May 1483, except during the Readeption; kntd. 28 Feb. 1462/10 Feb. 1463, on which later date he and John his bro., for services against the rebels, were granted Bellingham's forfeited lands in the north—exempted 1464, 1467.¹ (For the Parr-Bellingham feud, see under Sir Thomas Parr.) He was 30 and more at his father's death in 1464, and was negotiating with the King of Scots at Lochmaben in June 1464.² M.P. 1467-8. In July 1468 Mynteshede *alias* Kendal castle was settled on Sir William and Jane and heirs of their body, remainder to heirs of body of his father Sir Thomas. In Aug. 1469 he fought on the side of Robin of Redesdale and the Nevilles at Banbury, which resulted in Edward's capture by Warwick; and he was sent by Warwick and Clarence to Edward IV in Mar. 1470, just before the battle of Loosecoat Field, to explain their conduct. Edward entrusted him with his answer,³ and he was not among the followers of Clarence and Warwick whose arrest was ordered, 25 Apr. 1470.

He must have remained neutral during the Readeption, though removed from the bench. In Mar. 1471, with Sir James Harrington and 600 men "well-arranged and habbled for war," he joined the returning King Edward at Nottingham,⁴ and presumably fought at Barnet, where his bro. Thomas was killed, and at Tewkesbury, where his bro. John was kntd. He was rewarded by being made Controller of the Household, May/June 1471.⁵ While to him and his bro. Sir John and the heirs male of their bodies (Sir William having none) was granted the manor of Kirkby-Stephen, the town of Winton, and the six Westmorland castles—Pendragon, Brough, Appleby, Brougham, Mallerstang and Whinfell.⁶ Parr was one of the knts. to swear allegiance to the Prince of Wales and in Aug. 1471 was sent to Scotland to negotiate the Scottish marriage.⁷ He was negotiating again in Feb. 1472 and at Newcastle in Apr. called "Counsellor to the King."⁸ He took out a pardon, 20 Feb. 1472, "late of Mynteshede next Kirby in Kendal, knt., *alias* knt., late esq., *alias* late eschr. in Cumbd. and Westd., *alias* William Parr of Netherhall, Essex, knt." The 1472 Parlt., in which he sat, exempted him and Sir John from resumption. In May 1473 he was treating again with the Scots; he was meeting them at Alnwick in Sept.; and he was sent to besiege Archbp. Neville's manor of Moor Park.⁹ K.G. 26 Feb. 1474. Sheriff, Westd., 1 June 1475—succeeding his bro.—till death.

Sir William sailed with the King's expedition to France in July 1475—one of the King's Council there.¹⁰ In Mar. 1476 he was granted the custody of John Colt

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1463), 224; (1467), 45; *Rot. Parl.* v. 527.

² *Foedera*, V. ii. 224.

³ *Dict. Nat. Biog.* (art. Sir William Parr).

⁴ *Chron. of Voyage of K. Edward*, p. 7.

⁵ *Dict. Nat. Biog.* (art. Sir William Parr).

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 423.

⁷ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 19; *Foedera*, V. iii. 6.

⁸ *Foedera*, V. iii. 18.

⁹ Warkworth, *Chronicle*, 25.

¹⁰ *Foedera*, V. iii. 65.

M.P. his stepson. Being sheriff of Westd., he was elected for Cumberland to the Parlt. that destroyed Clarence, 1478. Crimson cloth of gold was issued to him in 1480, and he was one of the King's feoffees, 4 Mar. 1481.¹ When Gloucester lost the office of Constable in Nov. 1482, Parr was put on the comn. to perform that office. He probably sat in the first Parlt. of 1483 which exempted him from the Act of Apparel;² but on 9 Feb. he was made ambassador to treat with the embassy from Alexander, duke of Albany. He was controller of the Household at Edward's funeral,³ but Sir Robert Wingfield had been controller from 1476 till his death in 1481 when Parr must have been re-apptd.

What happened to him next is obscure. He was removed from the Westd. bench on 14 May 1483, and Gloucester only reached London on 4 May. He ceased to be controller of the Household; but he had been apptd. to the Cumbd. bench in Apr. 1481, and was re-apptd. 26 June 1483. He was also put on the subsidy comn. 1 Aug. 1483. He was dead in Feb. 1484, and it is evident from his comns. and his shrievalty of Westd. that he died Aug./Nov. 1483. If he had fallen in Buckingham's rising it would have been mentioned in the Chronicles and he would have been attainted.

His 3 sons were all by his second wife Elizabeth (FitzHugh), who *rem.* Nicholas, lord Vaux. His only da. Anne *m.* Sir Thomas Cheyne of Irthlingboro', N'hants. Queen Catherine Parr was the widow of his grandson.

PARRY (PARYE), THOMAS. M.P. Lyme 1447.

Nothing found locally. Cf. Thomas Pery, M.P. Salisbury 1467; and, more likely, Thomas Parys, caterer of the Household in 1430.

PARRY (PERY), THOMAS; of Salisbury, mercer. M.P. Salisbury 1467-8.

In 1465 Thomas Parys of Salisbury, mercer, was pardoned outlawry for not appearing. A man of the same name occurs 20 years later in Somerset.

PARSONS (PERSONS), THOMAS (1420-70); of Bridgnorth. M.P. Bridgnorth 1455-6.

He was bailiff of Bridgnorth in 1450 and 1461. "The hospice of Thomas Persons in the High Street of the town" is mentioned in the Court Leet Book of Feb. 1456.⁴

PARTSOIL (PARTISHALL), ROBERT (1455-1518); of Partsoil's manor in Riseley, Beds. ? lawyer. M.P. BEDFORDSHIRE (? 1487), 1491-2.

Probably s. of John Partsoil who held the same manor 1467/72,⁵ being bastard s. of William Partsoil who *d.* 1439—both William and John being Beds. electors in 1453.

J.P. Hunts., 26 July to 5 Dec. 1483; subsidy comnr., Hunts., 1 Aug. 1483; J.P. Beds., 19 Aug. 1487 to 13 May 1510; on Beds. comns.—subsidy 21 Jan. 1488

¹ *Cal. Charter Rolls*, vi. 253.

² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 221.

³ "Then Sir William Parre, arrayed in full armour, save that his head was bare, and holding in his hand an axe, poll downward, rode up to the choir door and, after alighting, was escorted into the church to make his offering as 'the man of arms'" (*Scofield, Edward IV*, ii. pp. 367-8).

⁴ Weyman, *M.P.s for Bridgnorth*, 38.

⁵ *Ex inf.* Miss M. Fletcher, M.A.

(hence perhaps M.P. 1487), *oyer et terminer* 1495, gaol delivery at Bedford 1495-7 (hence perhaps lawyer). Jointly with the Duke of Buckingham he was lent £400 by Henry VII in 1508, and their recognisance was cancelled Jan. 1510.

D. at Riseley 12 Sept. 1518, when John was his infant g.s. and h.¹

PARYE see PARRY.

PASHLEY, JOHN (1420-70); of Rye. M.P. Rye 1455-6.

One of the feoffees for Jane da. and h. of Thomas Stoughton M.P. in 1456. Never mayor. In 1455 there was paid to John Passhele for being at the Parlt. at London for 16 days at 20d. a day, 26s. 8d.² Later he was paid for the same Parlt.—12 days, 20s.; 24 days, 40s.; 6 days, 10s.³ A jurat 1457 onwards.

PASTON, (Sir) JOHN the younger (1444-1503); of Swainsthorpe and Caister, Norf. Knt. of the Body. M.P. Norwich 1485-6.

Second s. of John Paston of Paston M.P. (1421-66) by Margaret (Mauteby) and yr. bro. and h. to Sir John Paston M.P. (1442-79); *m.* (1) Margery, da. of Sir Thomas Brewes of Sturton Hall in Sall, Norf., by whom he had Sir William Paston (1479-1554);⁴ and (2) Agnes, widow of John Isley of Sundridge, Kent, and da. of Nicholas Morley (*q.v.*).⁵

He was a soldier brought up in the family of the duke of Norfolk; but, like his elder bro., he took the Lancastrian side. With his elder bro. he fought at Barnet; pardoned, 7 Feb. 1472;⁶ then called "late of London" which may suggest that he had sat in the 1470-1 Parlt. He calls himself also "late of Framlingham"—the duke of Norfolk's castle—in order no doubt to suggest old association and protection. He served in France 1475, took no part under Richard III, except to be pardoned, 10 Mar. 1484,⁷ but came to favour with the Tudors. Sheriff, Norf. and Suff., 12 Sept. 1485-6; kntd. at Stoke fight, 1487; J.P. Norfolk, 1494 till death. The *Dict. Nat. Biog.* calls him also knt. of the Body to Henry VII.

D. 1503.⁸

PASTON, JOHN (1421-66); of Paston and Caister castle. Lawyer. M.P. NORFOLK 1460-1, 1461-2.

S. and h. of William Paston, the judge (1378-1444) by Agnes da. and h. of Sir Edmund Berry of Harlingbury Hall, Herts.; *m.* 1440, Margaret (*d.* 1484) da. and h. of John Mauteby of Mauteby by Caister, by whom he had Sir John the elder (*d.* 1479), John the younger (*d.* 1503) (both M.P.s), Edmund, Walter, William, and two daughters.

He was brought up to the law and at Cambridge. After his father's death he divided his time between Norfolk and his chambers in the Temple. The acquisitive abilities of the Pastons caused him to incur the hostility of Sir Thomas Tuddenham (*q.v.*) and other officers of the Duchy of Lancaster in Norfolk, and he was driven

¹ See note 6 on p. 664. ² Rye, Chamberlain's Accounts, i. 44d. ³ *ibid.* ff. 48, 49d.

⁴ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir William Paston.

⁵ *Hervey Dictionary.*

⁶ Pardon Roll, 7 Feb. 1472, "as late of Castre near Gt. Yarmouth, esq., *alias* late of Norwich, *alias* late of Framlingham, Suff., *alias* late of London, gent."

⁷ Pardon Roll, 10 Mar. 1484, as late of Norwich esq., *alias* gent., *alias* late of Caister, *alias* late of Swainsthorpe, *alias* late of London (m.16).

⁸ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, Sir William Paston; Introduction to Vol. iii, *Paston Letters.*

out of Gresham near Cromer by the Duke of Suffolk and Lord Moleyns. Paston benefited by Suffolk's death in 1450, but the Duke of Norfolk stopped him from being elected for Norfolk in 1455. His wife, through the Berneys (*q.v.*) of Reedham, was a cousin of Sir John Fastolf, and Paston became Fastolf's man of business; and, regularly or irregularly, his heir at Caister in 1459. The Duke of Norfolk seized Caister in June 1461. His troubles with the dukes of Suffolk and Norfolk got him three times imprisoned in the Fleet. He seems to have resided, when free, in the royal Household and held Caister again till his death, 21 May 1466.

To which, abstracted from the excellent account in the *Dict. Nat. Biog.*,¹ one can only add that he was elector for Norfolk in 1450 and 1455, and returned for the county in 1460 and 1461—that he was pardoned in 1466 as “of Norfolk, exor. of the will of William Paston” (m.10). While the indomitable Margaret was pardoned, 5 Feb. 1472, as “of Norwich, widow, *alias* late wife of John Paston of Caistor, *alias* Margaret Paston of Heylesham, widow.”

PASTON, Sir JOHN, the elder (1442–79); of Paston and Caister. M.P. NORFOLK 1467–8; (perhaps for a Cornish boro' 1472–5); Yarmouth 1478.

Eldest s. and h. of John Paston of the same M.P. (1421–66), by Margaret (Mauteby).

Probably educated at Cambridge; went to court in 1462; kntd. in his father's lifetime, 1463. He stole away from Caister to join the King on his northern expedition in May 1464; defended Caister castle from the duke of Norfolk 1465; after his father's death he lived chiefly at his “place in Fleet St.” He was a friend of Anthony Wydevile, lord Scales, and long engaged to marry Scales's niece, Anne Haute. He tilted at Eltham, Apr. 1467, and describes the jousting between Scales and the bastard of Burgundy in the summer of 1467, when he was elected to Parlt. He accompanied Princess Margaret to the Low Countries in 1468; lent money to George Nevill, archbp. of York, and was therefore helped to recover Caister from the duke of Norfolk during the Readeption in 1470. He fought however as a Lancastrian at Barnet, and Norfolk entered Caister. With the help of Scales Paston got back to favour; pardoned, 21 Dec. 1471;² and “there is some reason to believe that he sat in the Parlt. 1472–5.”³ His friend lord Hastings, lieut. of Calais, secured him constant employment there for the next 4 or 5 years. He was at Bruges in 1473; at the siege of Neuss by Charles the Bold, 1475. He recovered Caister in Norfolk's death in 1476.⁴

D. 15 Nov. 1479, bur. at Whitefriars, London, unmarried. Will, dat. 31 Oct. 1477. By his mistress Constance Reynforth he had a da.⁴ He was succeeded by his bro. John the yr. M.P.³

PASTON, WILLIAM (1434–96); of Norwich and London; lawyer. M.P. Newcastle-under-Lyme (? 1470–1), 1472–5; Bedwin 1478, (? 1483 Jan.), (? 1485–6), (? 1487), (1489–90), 1491–2, (? 1495).

¹ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. John Paston.

² As “late of London, kn., late of Norwich, late of Caister, late of Heylesdon, late of Paston, late of Yarmouth (all Norfolk), late of Fretton, Suff., late of Cotton, Suffolk.”

³ The evidence that he was in the 1472 Parlt. is the letter from his bro. John, dat. 26 Mar. 1473. As only the Cornish M.P.s are unknown for this Parlt., if he sat at all it must have been for some such boro'.

⁴ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir John Paston.

Third s. of William Paston, Justice C.P. (1378-1444) by Agnes da. and h. of Sir Edmund Berry of Harlingbury Hall, Herts. ; *m. c.* 1465 Lady Anne Beaufort, 3rd da. of Edmund, duke of Somerset (1405-55), and first cousin to the Lady Margaret, and had Mary, *b.* 1470, *d.y.*, Margaret *b.* and *d.* 1474, and perhaps two other das.¹

The Parlt. of 1455 exempted from resumption lands settled on him, and Robert and Edmund Clere and the heirs of the judge, by Act of Parliament 1442.² A Norfolk elector, 1459 ; J.P. Norfolk, of the quorum, 1465 to 1474 ; pardoned, 9 Dec. 1471, and he may well have sat in the 1470-1 Parlt. By his marriage he was more Lancastrian even than the other Pastons. His cousin the Lady Margaret and her husband Sir Henry Stafford found him his seat at Newcastle, and the Stafford-Buckingham interest his seat at Bedwin. It is quite possible that he sat for Bedwin in all Henry VII's Parlt.s.—quite as likely that he sat for Newcastle or Bletchingley or Stafford in 1470-1. He lived with his mother at Warwick's Inn near Newgate, lent money to his nephews, and borrowed from Elizabeth Clere of Ormesby.³ He was probably concerned in the Duke of Buckingham's rising as were his friends Daubeney and Poynnyngs, but he was not attainted, nor even pardoned after 1471, and, in spite of his relationships, he had no grants, custodies or pensions. A comfortable man, cultured, wealthy and safe.

D. 1496. Will, dat. 7 Sept., pr. 28 Nov. 1496. To be bur. in Blackfriars, London, next to Lady Anne, late my wife. Exors. :—my lord Cardinal (Morton), the King's mother (Lady Margaret), Lord Daubeney, and Sir Edward Poynnyngs, my nephew.³ None other of my predecessors had such distinguished executors.⁴

PATY, JOHN. M.P. Dorchester 1442.
Nothing known.

PAULE, PETER (1400-66/72) ; of Baldock. M.P. HERTFORDSHIRE 1447.

M. Alice da. and coh. of John and Jane Venour of Kingswood in Clothall, Herts., with whom he had two-thirds of the manor, 1422 ; in 1433 he acquired the rest of the Kingswoodbury from the two other das. of John Venour ;⁵ also he got Weston in Baldock from John Penne in 1435 ;⁶ and by settlements of 1445 and 1466, Kingswood descended to his son, Richard Paul of Baldock, who, in 1447, leased it to John Sturgeon.⁷

£100 was owed to Peter Paule in 1436 ; called " of Baldock gent. ", he was mainpernor for John Chancy jun. esq. for the keeping of the inn called *le George on the hope* lying in Church st., St. Albans, late of John, duke of Exeter, Feb. 1448 ;⁸ he was justice of gaol delivery at Hertford in 1454 ; and was one of those who founded the guild in St. Mary's church, Baldock, in July 1459 ; pardoned 1458 and 1462.

Dead by 1472, when Alice, who was the wife of Peter Paule esq. of Baldock, was pardoned.

PAULET, Sir AMYAS (1460-1538) ; of Hinton St. George ; lawyer.
M.P. SOMERSET 1495.

S. and h. of Sir William Paulet by Elizabeth da. and h. of John Denband (*q.v.*)

¹ Gairdner, *Paston Letters* (ed. 1904), pp. 291-2.

² *Rot. Parl.* v. 315.

³ P.C.C., 12 Horne. ⁴ *Staffs. Colls.* (1917), pp. 259-260. ⁵ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1433), 251, 253.

⁶ *ibid.* (1435), 351-2. ⁷ *V.C.H. Herts.* iii. 224.

⁸ *Fine Rolls*, 26 Hen. VI (m.9).

of Hinton St. George; *m.* (1) Margaret da. of Sir John Paulet of Nunney, Som., and (2) Laura da. of William Kellaway of Roeborne, Hants.

Entered the Middle Temple; attainted 1484; attainder reversed 1485; sheriff, Som. and Dorset, 1485-6; J.P. Som., 20 Sept. 1485 till sheriff, and 12 July 1491 till 1509; kntd. at Stoke fight, 16 June 1487; again sheriff, Jan. to Nov. 1491, and 1499-1500. He collected the fines laid on the adherents of Warbeck in the west country and was one of the knights to meet Katherine of Aragon at Crewkerne, Jan. 1501. On the accession of Henry VIII he was, with Empson and Dudley, exempted from pardon, 30 Apr. 1509; but pardoned, 28 Aug. 1509. He went with the King to France, 1513, but from 1519 to 1524 he was confined by Cardinal Wolsey's orders to the Temple, as is supposed, for having, in the Cardinal's youth, once ordered him to the stocks. Yet he was treasurer of Middle Temple, 1521; subsidy comnr. for Somerset, 1524.

D. 1538; will in *Testamenta Vetusta*. Sir Hugh Paulet, the Protestant soldier, is said to have been his eldest son.¹

PAULYN, JOHN; of Scarborough. M.P. Scarborough 1467-8.

Perhaps s. of William Paulyn of Scarborough, merchant, M.P. (1405-60) or perhaps of that John Paulyn who was steward of the household to Sir Robert Harrington in 1431/2.² He was bailiff of Scarborough in 1467 when he made the return of himself to the sheriff's mandate.

PAULYN, WILLIAM (1415-60); of Scarborough, merchant. M.P. Scarborough 1449 (1).

He was a pledge for Robert Carethorpe when elected for Scarborough in 1442; pardoned, 19 Oct. 1446, as of Scarborough, merchant; and he may be the William Paule of Hull who was owed money by William Helperby of Scarborough, gent., in 1453.

D. 16 Aug. 1460, when Robert, aged 17, was his s. and h.; he held a message in Hunmanby, Yorks., of Henry Percy, earl of Northumberland. Will, as "of Scarborough, gent.", dat. 13 Aug., pr. 24 Aug. 1460, at York (2.432). A custodian was apptd. for the lands and (Robert) heir of William Paulyn, Feb. 1462.

PAUNCEFORT, THOMAS (1410-75); of Haresfield. M.P. GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1447, 1449 (1).

S. of Sir John Pouncefort³ of the same, M.P. (*d.* 1422/3), by a da. of Sir Andrew Herle; *m.* (1) Margaret da. of Henry Owgan; (2) Margaret da. of Sir Thomas Swinford; and (3) Eleanor da. of Thomas Bridges.⁴

A comnr. in 1455; but in Feb. 1457 a comn. was issued to arrest Thomas Pouncefort and others who refused to appear to answer the allegations of Thomas, abbot of St. Peter's, Gloucester. Pardoned 6 Feb. 1462, as of Haresfield, Glos., gent.; sued the bp. of Salisbury and John, lord Beauchamp, feoffees to uses, for Haresfield, Glos., Laghton and Pesbrugge (? Pembridge), Heref., and for land in Ledbury and Bentley, Worcs., 1467/72.⁵

¹ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, arts. Sir Amyas Paulet and Sir Hugh Paulet.

² *Hist. MSS. Comn.*, Report v. (Rye MSS.), p. 489.

³ In 1447 Hugh Pouncefort was one of Thomas's electors.

⁴ *Visitn. Glos.* 258.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 44/46.

PAVY, WILLIAM (1400-61/6); of Bristol, merchant. M.P. Bristol

1453-4.¹

M. by 1426 Jane da. of Thomas Bewflour of Bristol, who *d.* 1426.²

Bailiff of Bristol 1439; sheriff 1448; an elector 1435, 1442, 1449 (2), 1450. In 1449 he was an assessor of the subsidy,³ and in 1453, as a knt. of the shire for Bristol, he was apptd. to apportion the subsidy.¹ He was a comnr. in Bristol in 1457 and repeatedly July to Sept. 1460. Pavy was one of the Bristol merchants whose goods had been pirated at sea by Sir Hugh Courtenay (M.P.) and taken to Fowey, 1460.

D. 1461/6. Will of William Pavy the elder, burgess and merchant of Bristol, dat. St. George's day, 1461, pr. 5 Oct. 1466, mentioning his wife Jane and his son William Pavy to whom he left his house on the quay of Bristol.²

PAY, JOHN. M.P. Bodmin 1447.

Nothing known.

PAYNE, Master⁴ HUGH (1400-61); Justice of the Admiralty Court 1451-60. Lieut. of the Duke of Exeter, lord Admiral, 1447-57. Lawyer. M.P. Exeter 1450-1. Lancastrian.

Probably from Hereford or Wales.

He was practising in London in 1425;⁵ in 1432-43 he sued Jevan ap Phelypp for the farm of Boughrood church in the march of Wales.⁶ In 1446 Payne was acting for Sir John Montgomery in an admiralty case. By May 1447 "Master" Hugh Payne was "lieutenant" to John, duke of Exeter, the High Admiral. Though not called "Master" on the return, he is so styled in the Exeter Receivers' roll when paid his wages, and he was doubtless already practising if not judging in the Admiralty Court. Judge he was made apparently 11 Apr. 1451, while still M.P. for Exeter. He was sued by a mercer of London for wrongful seizure for debt in 1452.⁷ Still Judge of the Admiralty Court 1455, and "bachelor in laws, lieutenant and commissary general of Henry, duke of Exeter," June 1457. After the collapse at Ludford and after the Coventry Parliament he accepted the stewardship of forfeited properties in Wales and a seat on the comn. dealing with the duke of York's lands. That was fatal, for Mr. Hugh Payne was one of the eleven Lancastrians excepted by name from the pardon promised by Edward IV on 6 Mar. 1461,⁸ and no more is heard of Master Hugh Payne. Most of the "excepted" came from Hereford or the Welsh march where Edward has been living.

PAYNE, JOHN (1406-67); of Southampton, merchant and grocer of London; farmer of the pesage of Southampton. M.P. Southampton 1435, 1447, 1450-1.

To be arrested, with other merchants, in Oct. 1435, for seizing a ship in Brittany; a feoffee for Thomas and Jane Payne of Combe Bissett, Wilts., 1440; sat on Southampton comns. 1441 to 1463. As one of the farmers for the Duchess of Warwick of the pesage of Southampton, he was sued by Thomas Porthaleyn

¹ Fine Roll. 31 Hen. VI (m.9).

² *Ex inf.* C. Roy Hudleston esq. ³ Fine Roll. 28 Hen. VI (m.6).

⁴ So styled in the Exeter Receivers Roll when paid his wage. ⁵ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1435), 371.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 10/53. ⁷ *ibid.* 16/176. ⁸ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 156.

(*q.v.*), the receiver of the Duchess, *c.* 1445.¹ Pardoned 1446, "of London, grocer, and Jane his wife" (m.8). As the pardon roll of 1452 describes him as citizen and grocer of London, *alias* of Southampton, merchant (m.30), and the roll of August 1455 as "of Southampton, senior, merchant, late of London, merchant" (m.32), it is clear that he had these two distinct domiciles.

The admiral, Henry, duke of Exeter, sued Thomas and John Payne on behalf of the mayor of Southampton, for French prisoners captured at Lynmouth and taken out of the hands of the Duke's agents at Southampton, 1449/50.² In Nov. 1450 a comn. was apptd. to seize eleven tuns and three pipes of woad, late in the hands of John and Thomas Payne, which belong to Peter Baguley of Bordeaux. Elector of Southampton, called "senior", 1453 and 1455; mayor of Southampton 1450-2 and 1462-3 till deposed by the order of Edward IV; pardoned Jan. 1458 (m.31) where he again combines the grocer of London and the merchant of Southampton and is called "senior". But in Dec. 1460 it is John Payne junior who is accused of preventing the free election of the mayor of Southampton.

In the 1460 Parliament John Payne was responsible for one of the earliest cases of breach of the privilege of the Commons. He brought an action against Walter Clarke, M.P. for Chippenham, and had him imprisoned. The Commons petitioned for and obtained Clarke's release.³

D. 1467; will, dat. 16 Apr., pr. 25 May 1467. John Payne citizen and grocer of London.⁴

PAYNE, JOHN; of South Bodiniell, Cornwall, gent. M.P. Launceston 1453-4.

The pardon roll, 24 Oct. 1462, includes Edward Potte (M.P. Truro 1449-50), "surety for John Payn of South Bodnell, Cornwall" among others (m.10). This is enough to place him.

PAYNE, JOHN (1455-1502); Keeper of Bushley pk., Worcs., 1494-1503; King's servt. 1485-94. M.P. Worcester city 1495.

S. of Thomas Payne of Bushley, yeoman, who had a pardon in 1460.⁵

Appt., as King's servant, to be chirographer in the common bench, 5 Nov. 1485; on gaol delivery at Worcester, Jan. 1494; as King's servant and "yeoman for the King's own mouth in the office of the King's pantry," he and his father Thomas were granted in survivorship the keeping of Bushley park, 10 Mar. 1494.⁶

Dead by 3 June 1502, when all arrears were pardoned to the bp. of Rochester as exor. of John Payne, late cofferer of the Household.⁷ The keepership of Bushley was granted elsewhere, 3 Nov. 1503.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/484.

² *ibid.* 19/483.

³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 374.

⁴ He mentions his goods in London, Salisbury and Southampton; to be bur. "where as God of his mercy for me will dispose." Bequests to St. Botolphs, Billingsgate, where he is a parishioner; to Catherine Payne his da. for her marriage; to Jane his da., a nun of Wilton; to Edith his sis. living at Salisbury; to Jane my servant, da. of John Payne my s.; to Margery his da., wife of Andrew James. Residue to Jane his w., and she to have his house formerly called Childskey and now Payneskey in Thames Street, London, with remainder to Catherine his da. Lands in Southampton to his g. da. Jane and g.s. Thomas Payne. Exors.:-Jane his wife, and John Hawes (P.C.C., 18 Godyn).

⁵ Cf. also *Maurice* Payne, draper, M.P. Worcester 1467.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1494), 463. ⁷ *ibid.* (1502), 276.

PAYNE (*alias* SHERMAN), MAURICE (1415-80); of Worcester, draper. M.P. Worcester city 1449 (1), 1467-8.

Elector, Worcester city, 1449 (2), 1455, 1472. On 5 June 1454, as citizen of Worcester, he made a grant of lands in Stoulton.¹ On the pardon roll, 7 Feb. 1472, appears "Maurice Payne of Worcester, draper, *alias* Maurice Sherman of Worcester." But under Sherman we find no reference to Maurice.

PAYNE, RICHARD (1405-70); husbandman of Salisbury. M.P. Salisbury 1439-40.

He was pardoned—Richard Payne of Salisbury, husbandman, and Alice, his wife, 1446 (m.8). John, Alice and Thomas Payn held tenements in Salisbury in 1455, no Richard. Was he therefore the Richard Payne, cit. and draper of London, who flourished 1459-69? One of the Early Chancery Proceedings runs as follows:—William Harding the elder, of Salisbury, sued Richard Payne and John Becham, exors. of Julia, late the wife and exix. of Thomas Harding of London, for goods bequeathed to William by Thomas Harding.² This makes it possible that Payne of Salisbury went to London, and, as was natural, was the friend of Thomas Harding from Salisbury. The use of the word "husbandman" in the pardon rolls of the 15th century generally meant a man of some substance, taking the place of the farmer of modern times.

PAYNTER see PAINTER.

PEAKE (PEKE), JOHN (1430-1506); King's servant; ranger of the forest of Dean 1464-94; customer of Bristol 1460-70; customer of London 1471-3; ? lawyer. M.P. Calne 1478; (and ? 1470-1).

Perhaps s. of William Peake M.P. (1405-76), of Cople, Beds.; *m.* (? 2) Margaret da. and h. of John Ripon of Stoke by Guildford.³

On royal business at Dartford, 1453; eschr., Beds. and Bucks., 1456-7; to take muster of fleet and army at Dartmouth, 4 Mar. 1460. The Yorkists made him surveyor of the search in the port of Bristol, 1 Aug. 1460; pardoned, 9 Apr. 1462, as late eschr., gent., *alias* of London (m.21). Apptd. ranger of forest of Dean and exempted from resumption, May 1464;⁴ this office he held for life, the grant being renewed in Jan. 1485 and in 1486. He was to be arrested, with Clarence and Warwick, 25 Apr. 1470, and assisted their Readeption govt., which pardoned him, 10 Jan. 1471, "late eschr., late surveyor of the search (*scrutator*) in the port of London, *alias* of London, gent." The returning Yorkists promoted him controller of the great customs in the port of London, 1 June 1471; and on the rising of the 1478 Parlt., in which he sat for Calne, he was made steward of Cheshunt, Herts., with the custody of all Clarence's lands in Herts. On comns. of *o.* & *t.* and gaol delivery at St. Albans and elsewhere 1482-1502; steward of Flamstead, Herts., and of North Weald, Essex, during Warwick's minority, Oct. 1485;⁵ receiver of lord Roos' forfeited lands, 1486; and joint keeper of lord Latimer's lands in Glos., July 1486.

He prospered at each revolution, and was "now deceased" 20 Nov. 1506. Considering the number and value of his offices he seems to have acquired little wealth and standing.

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 353.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 14/39.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 52/191.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* v. 543.

⁵ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 78.

PEAKE, NICHOLAS (1400-60); of Colchester. M.P. Colchester 1447.

He entered into a £20 bond concerning (Howard's) Stoke by Nayland, 1433;¹ was a witness with Sir John Howard (*q.v.*) for Sir Roger Chamberlain (*q.v.*), 1433.² Bailiff of Colchester 1442, 1444, 1449;³ elector, Essex, 1455. About 1440, Nicholas Peek of Colchester sued John Twyer and Alice his wife, niece of Nicholas, for "falsely noising" the manors of Shelley and Raynes to be entailed.⁴

PEAKE (PEKKE), WILLIAM (1405-76/9); of Cople and Le Hoo, Beds.; lawyer. M.P. BEDFORDSHIRE 1439-40; Bedford boro' 1449 (1).

Sworn to the peace in Beds., May 1434; J.P. Beds., of the quorum, 16 May 1437 till death; on all Beds. comns. to Oct. 1460, including the Lancastrian array of 1459; and again in 1469, Oct. 1471, and the gaol delivery at Bedford, Oct. 1475.

In June 1437 William Peck of Beds. was examined by the Privy Council as to the failure of certain comnrs., of whom he was one, to execute an enquiry into felonies and insurrections in his county. Pardoned as "of Le Hoo, late of Cople, Beds., gent.," for continuing the previous rioting in person, Jan. 1439; it will be observed that he was elected to Parlt. shortly after. He was an elector for the shire in 1442 and 1453; and for the town of Bedford in 1426, 1435, 1437, 1467 and 1472; occurs in deeds 1441-52;⁵ an apportioner of the subsidy, 1463.⁶

D. between 26 Apr. 1476 and 14 Apr. 1479. Presumably he was a lawyer, for he was so many times on gaol deliveries and comns. of oyer.⁷ John Peake M.P. (1430-1506) may well be his son.

PEARS (PERS), JOHN; of Dunwich. M.P. Dunwich 1447.

There was a John Pers who had licence to fit out *le George* of London to meet the King's enemies in 1436. But it was *Thomas* Pers who was M.P. for Dunwich and bailiff of Dunwich, and elector. Indeed Thomas, Bartholomew and Walter Pers occur there—never John. So we think "John" a clerical error for Thomas. See PEARS, THOMAS.

PEARS (PERS), JOHN (1440-90); King's servant. M.P. Reading 1484.

He was not a Reading man for he was sworn a Burgess prior to election, 18 Jan. 1484.⁸ There is indeed no reason why he should not be a Portuguese alien, a specialist in port wine, and the King's servant. There is frequent connection between the representation of Reading and the King's servants at Windsor.

On 1 July 1470, protection was issued for John Piers, "portyngaler", going to Ireland on the King's service;⁹ grant for life to the King's servant John Piers of the office of Master Viner of the King's vine at Windsor, 17 Feb. 1484¹⁰ (while M.P. for Reading). Only one would suppose that a Portyngaler would have been called Pedraic rather than Pearse!¹¹

PEARS, THOMAS (1410-75); of Dunwich, merchant. M.P. Dunwich (? 1447),¹² 1453-4, 1455-6.

¹ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1433), 232.

² *ibid.* 248.

³ Rickword, *List of Mayors of Colchester*, pp. 12, 13.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/245.

⁵ Miss M. Fletcher, from the Bedford Record Office.

⁶ *Fine Roll*, 3 Edw. IV.

⁷ He must not be confused with William Peck, clerk of the spicery, nor with the constable of Northampton, nor with the gent. of Maidenhead, Berks.

⁸ Guilding, *Reading Diaries*, i. 76, 77, 82.

⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1470), 213. ¹⁰ *ibid.* (1484), 410.

¹¹ See E. N. Dormer, *Gray of Reading*, as to the election of this "foreigner."

¹² See "John" Pears, M.P. Dunwich 1447.

He seems to have been almost continuously bailiff of Dunwich, 1445-51, 1456, 1460, 1467; and elector, Dunwich, 1431, 1435, 1447, 1449 (2), 1450, 1467, 1472. In 1450 he was one of the four burgesses to whom the keeping of Dunwich was committed and in the grant was described as merchant.¹

PEARS (PERYS), WILLIAM; of Dunwich. M.P. Dunwich 1491-2.
Undiscovered, but *cf.* others of the name, M.P.s for Dunwich.

PECCHÉ see PEECH.

PECKHAM, JAMES (1435-95); of Wrotham. M.P. KENT 1467-8.
Probably s. of Reynold Peckham, M.P. Kent 1435.

Comnr. of array, Kent, Oct. 1469, Feb. 1470, Mar. 1470, and 1 May 1484; sheriff, Kent, 1471-2 (pardoned all arrears, 25 Nov. 1472); exempted from resumption in 1464 and 1467 as regards yearly sums of money, offices and rents;² exor. of the will of John Roos of Shoreham 1473;³ elector, Kent, 1478; together with his son Reynold Peckham he settled Harrietsham, Kent, 11 Feb. 1494. He held Yaldham manor in Wrotham and lands at Hadlow; buried at Wrotham.⁴

PEDWARDINE, JOHN. M.P. Lyme Regis 1442.

Robert Pedwardine knt. vested South Warnboro', Hants, and Nocton, Lincs., both held in chief, in trustees, for himself for life, remainder to Roger Pedwardine his kinsman, 1432.⁵ Later on Roger appears on the comn. of array, Lincs., 1436.

We may suppose that John Pedwardine was some relation of Sir Robert's and came from Hants, but the name is not found either locally or in the national records.

PEECH (PECCHÉ), Sir WILLIAM (1425⁶-88); of Lullingstone, Kent. King's Carver 1461-85. M.P. KENT 1450-1.

S. and h. of Sir John Peech of the same (*d.* 1440); *m.* Jane (*d.* 1468/76) widow of William Tresham (*q.v.*), and a sis. of — Clifford; and (2) Anne da. of John Proffet of Merstham, Surrey,⁷ and widow of both James St. Leger and of John Elmbridge (*q.v.*).

He settled Hintlesham, Suff., 1449, and in 1457 Stepney, on himself and Isabel;⁸ kntd. between 20 Jan. 1449 and 5 Oct. 1450; returned M.P. for Kent by Alexander Iden, the sheriff who slew Cade. His force was mustered for France in Aug. 1453, but presumably never sailed, though he was retained by indenture;⁹ pardoned "of Lillingstone, knt.," Feb. 1456. As he was on the Lancastrian comn. of array for Kent, 1459, he was certainly not a committed Yorkist till the earls came to Sandwich. Thereafter he was sheriff, Kent, 1461-2; J.P. Kent, 12 July 1461 till sheriff, 27 Sept. 1464 to Nov. 1470, June 1471 to 30 Oct. 1475; on occasional comns. down to the subsidy comn. of Apr. 1483. King's carver with £40 a year out of Kent, 8 Oct. 1461, and the tolls from Marke and Oye in Picardy. In Dec. 1462 he was fighting in Northumberland and relieving the earl of Warwick at Warkworth castle.¹⁰ His £40 pension and office were exempt from resumption in

¹ Fine Roll, 29 Hen. VI. ² *Rot. Parl.* v. pp. 531, 583. ³ *Arch. Cant.* xxxi, 200; xxi, 225.

⁴ Hasted, *Kent*, v. pp. 17, 85. ⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1432), 189.

⁶ He came of age and entered on his lands, 1446 (*Arch. Cant.* xvi. 230).

⁷ Scofield, *Edward IV*, 37.

⁸ The trustees included Thomas Tresham, William Vaux, Thomas Billing, William Isle, John Wood and John Martin, all at some time M.P.s (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 45).

⁹ Issue Roll, No. 794.

¹⁰ *Paston Letters*, ii. 121.

1467. He took no part in the Readeption govt., and was removed from the bench, though pardoned in Feb. 1471.¹ Though still King's carver he was certainly in Calais in Sept. 1472, when Gruthuyse was feasted there on his way to England by Lord Howard, Sir John Scott and Sir William Peech.² His carvership was renewed by Richard III in Mar. 1484, but never by Henry VII.

D. 9 Apr. 1488, when John, aged 17, was his s. and h. Lands—in Kent and various messuages in London. Buried in Lullingstone ch. M.I.³

PEKE see PEAKE.

PEMBERTON, HUGH (1445–1500); ald. of London, tailor. M.P. London 1487.

Perhaps s. of John Pemberton M.P. (1425–80), clerk of the Chancery; m. Catherine (M.I.).⁴

A feoffee in Essex 1477; master of the Tailors' co. 1481–2; auditor 1484–6, 1499–1500; alderman 1491 till death; sheriff, 24 Feb. to Sept. 1491 (on death of Robert Revell);⁵ guardian of the children of the late alderman Richard Nailor;⁶ on the committee of defence against Henry Tudor, and one of those apptd. to ride out to meet the victor of Bosworth, Aug. 1485;⁷ pardoned, 6 Feb. 1488, as of London, merchant *alias* tailor.

D. 1500; will, dat. 7 Sept. 1500, pr. 28 Jan. 1501 at Canterbury.⁸ To be bur. in St. Martin's, Outwich, London. Sons, Matthew and Ronald.⁹

PEMBERTON, Master JOHN (1425–80); one of the Clerks of Chancery. M.P. Southwark 1450–1.

In May 1450 the arrest was ordered of Thomas, John and Nicholas Pemberton. It can hardly be supposed that the culprit was the Member for Southwark four months later. The same or another John Pemberton was a merchant on a London comn. in 1470.

But the M.P. is more likely to be the King's Clerk, Master John Pemberton of the Chancery, who occurs so often with Sir William Nottingham (*q.v.*) 1461 to 1472, and had the custody of the Hospital of St. Mary, Osprenge, in 1470.

PEMBERTON, ROBERT (1430–90); yeoman of the Crown 1463–75; Usher of the Chamber 1475–85. M.P. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 1478.

Probably from Northampton, and probably of York's household in 1454.¹⁰ He was granted 6*d.* a day out of the issues of Northampton for his wage as yeoman of the crown, 8 Mar. 1463—exempted 1464,¹¹ 1467,¹² 1473,¹³ and renewed to him as usher of the chamber, 3 June 1476. Eschr., N'hants., 1473–4;¹⁴ J.P. N'hants., 8 Aug. 1476 to 14 May 1483; granted the stewardship of Newport-Pagnel, late of the Duke of Clarence, 21 Feb. 1478; on comns., N'hants., 1478, Dec. 1483, May and Dec. 1484; witnesses a Beds. deed, 1480¹⁵; sheriff, N'hants., 1480–1; continued to be usher of the chamber under Richard III and his wage confirmed to him, 3 Dec. 1484.

¹ Pardon Roll, Feb. 1471, "of London, knt., *alias* of Lullington, Kent."

² See note 7 on p. 673. ³ *Arch. Cant.* xvi. 230; Jane Clifford's arms:—checky, a fess.

⁴ Cox, *Annals of St. Helens*, 381.

⁵ Beaven, *Aldermen of London*, ii. 18.

⁶ *Letter Book L.* 221.

⁷ *Jor.* 9, fos. 83*d.*, 84.

⁸ *Fol.* 21, *Regr. F.* at Canterbury.

⁹ *Repertory* 1, fo. 100, cited Miss W. Jay.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1454), 203.

¹¹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 536.

¹² *ibid.* v. 594.

¹³ *ibid.* vi. 87.

¹⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1475), 558.

¹⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 315.

PENK (PYNKE), JOHN (1440-96); of Bristol, merchant. M.P. Bristol 1491-2.

Penks or Pinks occur in Bristol, 1405.

Apprenticed to Robert Sturmy, merchant of Bristol, 1457;¹ pardoned, as of Bristol, merchant, *alias* Pynke, 27 Jan. 1472; Esterfield, Hemming and Penke had licence to import free of customs, as their ship had been wrecked at La Rochelle, Mar. 1480. Sheriff of Bristol 1481-2; mayor 1488-9.² His son John junior died 1493/4, and John the father was supervisor of his will, which was proved at Lambeth 26 Apr. 1494. It seems to have been proved later before the mayor and sheriffs of Bristol, 3 Mar. 1497. One may, therefore, guess that the father had recently died. He had another son Thomas Penke and *das*. Anne and Jane.³

PENLYN, JOHN (1430-85); of Cornwall; lawyer. M.P. Lostwithiel, 1467-8, (? 1483).

One of the arbitrators between Vivian and Reskymer in Apr. 1467, together with Vavassour, Whitby and Glynn, all M.P.s.⁴ Attorney for Ralph Trypconyn, 1467/72⁵—for John Tregasowe 1467/72⁶—for Anne, lady Nevill, 1472. An attorney in Cornwall and London on the Plea Rolls 1470, 1480. In 1478 he was owed £50, in 1481 he had lent Henry Marney £10.⁷ J.P. Cornwall, of the quorum, 27 May 1483 to 1485; on subsidy comns. in Cornwall 27 Apr. and 1 Aug. 1483.

PENNARTH, THOMAS (1420-80); of Pennarth by Morval, gent. M.P. Helston 1449 (1), 1449-50.

About 1445 Pennarth sued John Gelys, yeoman, for deeds relating to his inheritance in Pennarth and "Wayngworthy."⁸ He was in Jersey in 1453, when letters of protection for one year were issued for Thomas Pennarth of Pennarth by Morval, gent., staying in the company of John Nanfan (*q.v.*), governor of Jersey. Pardoned his outlawry in June 1466 for not appearing to satisfy the King of his "ransom" for a disseisin of Roger Moyle of tenements in Trethenek and Morval, of which he had been convicted of default. His last appearance is on the pardon roll, 23 Nov. 1471, as "of Pennarth, Cornwall, gent."

PENNINGTON (PENYNGTON), JOHN (1420-60/1); heir apparent of Muncaster. M.P. CUMBERLAND 1447.

S. and h. appt. of Sir John Pennington of Muncaster M.P. (1393-1470), by Katherine da. of Sir Thomas Tunstall; *m.* Mary, da. of Sir John Hudleston of Millom, and had Sir John Pennington.

John the s. and h. was an elector, Cumbd. 1442, 1449 (1). He *d.* before his father, about 1460/1. His father, who was pardoned as a Lancastrian in 1462, *d.* 6 July 1470, when John Pennington knt. was his heir, *i.e.*, s. of John, s. of Sir John.

PENNISBY, RICHARD (1445-1500); of Burton on Trent? Sheriff's attorney. M.P. Stafford boro' 1491-2.

He seems to have been of Burton-on-Trent where "Pennesby's manor" occurs in 1478.⁹ On 4 May 1486 it was resolved to discharge Sir Thomas Wortley, late

¹ *Glos. N. & Q.* iv. 309. ² Williams, *Gloucestershire M.P.s.* ³ *Glos. N. & Q.* iv. 325-6.

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 549.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 45/348.

⁶ *ibid.* 45/356.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 333.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/270. ⁹ *Staffs. Colls.* N.S. VI. i. 117.

sheriff of Staffs., of certain recognisances, dat. 28 Nov. 1483, because he had come at Mich. 1484, by his attorneys John St. Poll and Richard Pennesby.¹

PENNY (PENY), THOMAS; of Totnes. M.P. Totnes 1453-4.

There is a Thomas Peny on a Totnes tax-roll of 1405/6, where he pays 2*d.* Evidently a local burgess. In 1457 he was a feoffee of lands in Ashprington, Bowden, etc., Devon, and the witnesses to the deed include Richard Tucker, mayor of Totnes, John Prall and John Coheu.² In 1496 a *Richard* Peny held land at Berry Pomeroy, Devon.

PENNYCOOK (PENYCOKE), JOHN (1405-71); of Oatlands, Surrey. Yeoman of the Robes 1430-48; Searcher of Nets in Thames; Squire of the Body 1448-60; Rod-bearer at Windsor 1459-60. M.P. SURREY 1449 (1), 1453-4. Lancastrian.

Probably s. of Adam Pennycook, yeoman of the crown; *m.* Jane, da. of Richard Parker, and had issue, certainly John, and probably an elder s. Lancelot, who predeceased him.³

He was made yeoman of the chamber and robes with 6*d.* a day in May 1430, although already holding a raglote in Merioneth to the value of £10 a year. The raglote was surrendered in 1435; he was established in Surrey with his father-in-law as joint keepers or parkers of Byfleet by 1437.⁴ Eschr., Surrey and Sussex, 1439-40; of Lincs., 1447-8; sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 1448-9; of Surrey and Sussex, 1449-50; a Surrey elector in 1442. In 1440 he was given a house in Watling Street, London, worth 3*s.* a year, and the office of tronage and pesage in Hull. In 1441 he got his arrears cancelled, a grant for life of his office of yeoman of the robes, a share in a forfeited estate in London, and the office of parker of Havering, Essex. In 1442 followed a general pardon, and a grant to him and his heirs male of two-thirds of Swallowfield.

He was at the coronation of Queen Margaret in 1445, and added to his duties and emoluments the custody of Shilbottle park, Nhd., with 3*d.* a day. In 1446 he was made keeper of Wedgnock park in Warwickshire, and in 1447 he obtained a confirmation of the duke of Norfolk's grant to him of the custody of Knappe, Sussex, with 3*d.* a day. By Mar. 1448 he had ceased to be yeoman of the robes and became squire of the body, with a fee of 50 marks a year from Southampton. He also got a house at Misterton, Notts., and remission of £10 due from him as escheator of Lincs.

The bad days of 1450 came, however. He was denounced by Cade in June, and in Parlt. in August.⁵ Acts of Resumption were passed in 1450 and 1453, but

¹ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 425. ² *Molton Catalogue of Deeds*, 1930, per J. J. Alexander.

³ In Mar. 1444 Richard Parker and Launcelot son of J. Pennycook settle Felstead on Richard and Launcelot with remainder to Jane da. to Richard Parker and wife to John Pennycook, remainder to the right heirs of Richard Parker (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* 255).

⁴ A grant to him and his wife Jane of a pipe of Gascon wine yearly, gives all his perquisites and offices at that date.—6*d.* a day, parker of Abshild, Essex, with 3*d.* a day, of half Byfleet with 2*d.* a day, £15 a year out of Walton-on-Thames, and searcher of nets upon the river Thames from the bridge of Staines to Cirencester. To all these the pluralist added in 1439 the reversion of Swallowfield, Berks.

⁵ In Oct. 1450 the King asked Sir William Oldhall to ask the Duke of York, his master, to be good lord to John Pennycook, and that York should write to his tenants that they should allow Pennycook's officers to gather his rents. But Oldhall asked the King to excuse the Duke of York, for though he wrote under his own name, they would not obey (*Privy Coun. Proc.* i. 151).

John Pennycook remained at least squire of the body, and avoided any publicity in the popular poetry of the period. In Apr. 1452 the squire of the body, "for good service to Henry V and Henry VI, in France, Normandy and England from his youth up, that he may the longer enjoy his age in peace" received a general pardon and the Swallowfield grant was renewed or confirmed. In 1453, sitting in a Lancastrian Parlt., Pennycook continued the collection of perquisites, and acquired the wardship of John Lye of Flamerston.¹ He was summoned to the great council for Surrey, Apr. 1455; pardoned, as of Weybridge, Oct. 1455; and exempted from the Act of Resumption in that Parlt.—so far as concerned his wage as squire of the body of 50 marks a year out of Southampton.

The duties of squire of the body were, however, expensive; in June 1453 the King was £167 in debt to him, and he got permission to ship uncustomed wool from Hull to Calais; he had to go bail to the customers of Hull for the payment of the wages of the Calais garrison, 1455-6. As one of the four squires of the body he was exempted from all offices in Aug. 1458, and in Apr. 1459 he was made rod-bearer at the feast of St. George at Windsor, in succession to Robert Manfield (*q.v.*), deceased. In July 1459 the reversion of this office at Windsor was granted to his son, John Pennycook the younger, one of the King's "depositors".

After Northampton he obtained his pardon—"late of Weybridge, Surrey, esq." But he fought at Towton and was attainted. On 10 Apr. 1461 orders for his arrest were issued, and his goods were seized; in August, however, Jane his wife obtained a grant of all her own portion of his estates. He was still "rebel" in Jan. 1462, when Nicholas Gainsford obtained his lands in Lincs. He was still "on the run" in 1467, when the house in Watling Street was granted to Thomas Portelayn (*q.v.*), and in 1468, when his estates at Felstead were granted to Thomas Bouchier. Indeed he must have been in France with Queen Margaret.

He did not survive 1471, for it must be his s. John² who was pardoned 17 Dec. 1471,³ and got his father's attainder reversed in 1485. In 1467/72 John Penycoke, pretending to be heir of John Penycoke, late of Byflete, attainted for high treason, tried to recover lands in Axholme from the Carthusian Abbey there, and was sued by the Abbot.⁴

PENPONS, RICHARD (1405-65/6); of Treswithian. Farmer of Helston 1431-61; lawyer. M.P. Helston 1431, 1432; Lostwithiel 1435; Helston 1437, 1442.

Perhaps s. of William Penpons M.P. Helston 1421.

He sued John Treweek for lands in Redruth, 1424; with Robert Treage he had put out the widow of Sir Nicholas Sarnesfeld from various offices in Cornwall, and the same pair had done wastes in Helston, which had been demised to them for a term, 1431; pardoned 1437;⁵ elector, Cornwall, 1431, 1432, 1449 (1). In 1450 the

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 286.

² In 1486, John Pennycook, s. and h. of John Pennycook, squire of the body to Henry VI, and John Pennycook, s. and h. apparent of John Pennycook, quit claim to the Prior of Axholme, the manors of Burnham in Axholme, late of John Pennycook, squire of the body (Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 58).

³ As of Byflete, "Sussex," esq., *alias* gent., *alias* of Oteland, Surrey, gent., *alias* of Weybridge, Surrey, *alias* Rypton Abbas, Surrey, gent. ⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 38/161.

⁵ Pardon Roll, July 1437, as of Trewaswytham, Cornwall, gent., *alias* late farmer of the manor of Helston.

keeping of land at Treleigh was granted him ;¹ J.P. Corn., 26 Nov. 1451 to 11 Aug. 1466 ; on many comns., Cornwall, oyer and gaol delivery, 1435 to 1465, including the Lancastrian comn. of array, Dec. 1459 ; on the Devon bench, 6 June to 3 Nov. 1461 ; pardoned with the Lancastrian officials, 4 Feb. 1462, being called late farmer of the manor of Helston ; and he must have died 1465/6.

PENRITH (PENRETH), JOHN (1415-75) ; of Newcastle. Customer ; troner and peseur 1452. M.P. Newcastle-on-Tyne 1455-6, 1459.

Cf. Robert Penreth, M.P. Newcastle 1348.

An elector of Newcastle 1447 ; sheriff 1452-3 ; mayor 1458-9. In 1450 he sued in the Admiralty as one of the owners of the wool looted from the *Peter*—the others being John Ward and Richardson. On 8 Nov. 1452 he was granted the office of tronage and pesage in Newcastle ; a collr. of custom and subsidy there in 1458 ;² and in Apr. 1471 the mayor and corpn. of Newcastle granted him Whin Close in the castle fields.³

PENROS, JOHN ; of Methley Penros. M.P. Helston 1442.⁴

He was on a comn., styled " John Penros Methle " in 1440 ; and he is called " of Methle " on the 1442 Return. Elector 1431.

He is probably the grandfather of Richard Penros of Methley (1470 to 1540), M.P. Helston in 1491.

PENROS, RICHARD (1470-1540) ; of Methley-Penros. Attorney of Common Bench. M.P. Helston 1491-2.

S. of John Penros, gent.⁵

A feoffee at Redruth, Corn., Feb. 1509 ;⁶ pardoned, 8 May 1509, as of Penros-Methle and Strand Inn, Mdsx., gent., an attorney of the common Bench.⁵ J.P. Cornwall 1515 till death ; sheriff, Cornwall, 1525-6 ; he had the grant of a minor's lands and marriage 1518 ;⁷ subsidy comnr., Cornwall, 1523 and 1524 ;⁸ gaol delivery comnr., Launceston, 1530.

D. 9 Jan. 1540, when John, aged 28, was his s. and h. ; lands, Methley-Penros etc., Corn.⁹

PENSTON, EDMUND (1405-78) ; of Salisbury. Lawyer. M.P. Salisbury 1449-50,¹⁰ 1450-1.

A feoffee in S. Tidworth, Hants, 1429 ; sworn to the peace in Wilts., 1434 ; an attorney, Dorset and Wilts., on the 1439 Plea Roll. Besides being elected in 1450 he was manucaptor for the Old Sarum M.P.s, and an elector for Wilts., then and in 1431, 1453 and 1459. In Nov. 1450 while M.P., he and the mayor and bailiffs of Salisbury were ordered to see that none fabricate or publish false news.

¹ Fine Roll, 29 Hen. VI (m.19)—18 Nov. 1450.

² Issue Roll, 36 Hen. VI, No. 814.

³ *Ex inf.* C. Hunter Blair.

⁴ In the pardon roll 1446 there is a John Penros of Truro burgh gent. It is probable that John Penros Methle was so styled to distinguish him from John Penros of Truro, M.P. Truro 1435.

⁵ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. p. 265 ; and elsewhere with the added description son and h. of John Penros, gent., decd.

⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 497.

⁷ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, ii. p. 1389.

⁸ *ibid.* iii. p. 1364 ; iv. p. 236.

⁹ *Inq. p.m.*, 33 Hen. VIII, Vol. 83, No. 197.

¹⁰ £22 was paid him and William Swayn for their expenses at the Parlt. which terminated at Leicester in 1450.

John Andrew of Baylham, Suff. (*q.v.*), and Edmund Penston of Salisbury were mainpernors for Thomas Walronde for the keeping of the manor of Cherhill, Wilts., Dec. 1450.¹ Penston, the mayor of Salisbury, and others, witnessed a charter of Sir John Beynton in 1463; a leading burgess in 1465; a feoffee in Fisherton-Anger of William Pakyn, 1465; collr. of subsidy in Wilts., 1467;² pardoned 5 May 1472, as of Salisbury, gent., late of London, late collr. of subsidy; the mayor of Salisbury sued Penston and other feoffees to uses for a house in Salisbury, late of Robert Caterton, 1475/8.³

D. shortly before 10 Feb. 1478, when his writ of *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Wilts.⁴ Buried in St. Edmund's.⁵

PEN.... see PENN....

PERCY, JOHN (1450-1500); of Shaftesbury, and of Widdicombe, Devon. M.P. Shaftesbury 1491-2.

He must be a Shaftesbury man; for *Richard* Percy was M.P. Shaftesbury 1450; *Thomas* and John Percy were on a Shaftesbury inquest jury 1497;⁶ and *Thomas* Percy of Shaftesbury was pardoned 1509. But John might well be one of the four servants of the gt. wardrobe in 1489;⁷ and he is probably the man who died 14 May 1500, when John, aged 22, was his son and heir; lands—Wydecombe manor and Whitlegh in Fareway, Devon, held of the earl of Devon as of the honor of the castle of Plympton.⁸

PERCY, RICHARD; of Shaftesbury. M.P. Shaftesbury 1450-1.

He was probably a local burgess since there was a *John* Percy who sat for Shaftesbury in 1491, and Richard Percy was a witness to Shaftesbury deeds in 1450 and 1451.⁹ He cannot be the contemporary Sir Richard Percy of Yorks.

PERHAM, ROBERT; of Gt. Childerley, Cambs., gent. M.P. Wareham 1478.

There was a William Perzham who was M.P. Bridport in 1421. But it must surely be the Wareham M.P. who was pardoned 9 Mar. 1484—Robert Perham, late of Gt. Childerley, Cambs., gent., and Elizabeth his wife, late wife of Thomas Hoore esq., tenant of Gt. Childerley, *alias* Parham (m.16).

PERKYN, RICHARD. M.P. Lostwithiel 1447.

Untraced.

PERNECOT, WILLIAM (1420-80); of Reading, draper. M.P. Reading 1460-1.

Entered the guild as draper, paying 16s. 8d. and 40d. *jantaculum*, 1443; elected to collect the 15th in the Old Ward 1446; one of the two cofferers 1447; elected a constable 1448; elector, Reading, 1449 (2) (being then constable), 1453, 1478; a comnr. 1451; selected for mayor by the abbot, 29 Sept. 1459; M.P. as above; mayor again 1474-5. He occurs at other times and must have died about 1480.¹⁰

PERPOYNT see PIERPOINT.

¹ Fine Roll, 29 Hen. VI (m.29).

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 54/7.

³ Churchwarden's accounts.

⁴ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 500.

⁵ Mayo, *Shastonian Records*, 78, 79.

⁶ Fine Roll, 8 Edw. IV (m.14).

⁷ Fine Roll, 17 Edw. IV (m.16).

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1498), 143.

⁹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 369.

¹⁰ Guilding, *Reading Diaries*, i. pp. 17-69.

PERS (PERYS) see PEARS.

PERSONS see PARSONS.

PERY see PARRY.

PESTELL, WILLIAM (1430-85); of London; ? Lawyer. M.P. Midhurst 1467-8; Maldon 1472-5; Midhurst 1478.

He was not an Essex man. When elected for Maldon he was admtd. to his freedom the same day, a sure sign of not being a burgess resident. Eschr., Surrey and Sussex, 1461-3, and pardoned arrears, Jan. 1464; eschr., Norfolk and Suffolk, 1471-2, and pardoned arrears, 27 Mar. 1473. An exor. of the will of Humphrey Bohun of Midhurst 1468.¹ On 12 June 1471 William Pestill of London, gent., and Richard Persale of London, gent., were mainpernors for Edmund Balche.²

PETER (PETYR), NICHOLAS (1415-66); of Bagber in Sturminster, Dorset. M.P. Shaftesbury 1449-50.

D. shortly before 8 Feb. 1466, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Dorset.³ In 1474 Eleanor widow of John Stock released to her son, Nicholas Peter, land in East and West Bagber.⁴

PETWARDINE see PEDWARDINE.

PETWORTHY, WILLIAM; of Colchester. M.P. Colchester 1453-4. Bailiff of Colchester 1453, 1459;⁵ elector 1455.

PEWTERER see AUBREY.

PEYE see POY.

PHELPOT see PHILPOT.

PHILIP, Sir DAVID (1450-1506); of Thornhaugh, N'hants., and Stamford. Sq. of the Body 1485-1503; Keeper of Windsor Park; servant to Lady Margaret. M.P. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 1491-2, (? 1504).

Born in Wales; *m. c.* 1485 Anne, da. and h. of Thomas Semark of Thornhaugh and widow of Sir William Sapcote.⁶

Served Henry Tudor in France;⁷ fought at Bosworth. Then made in quick succession—bailiff of Whittlesea mere, keeper of Windsor little park (jointly with Mr. Richard Fox, the King's secry.),⁸ squire of the body with 50 marks yearly fee,⁹ steward of Fotheringhay, of Colly Weston, and of the Duchy lands in N'hants. and Hunts., parker of King's Cliffe, N'hants.; keeper and governor of Jersey and the castle of Gurrey (*i.e.* Mont Orgueil) there (jointly with Matthew Baker), 28 Feb. 1486.⁷ He got Catesby's manors of Clipsham and Kirby-Bellars, and a corrody in Glos.; exempted from resumption, 1485;⁸ deputy butler at Boston 1488; sheriff, N'hants., 1488-9; J.P. N'hants., 1488-94.

He was apptd. to try breaches of military discipline in 1492,¹⁰ and Drakard says that he was employed by the Lady Margaret as tutor to the infant heirs of the nobility and gentry.¹¹ At Stamford, at Whittlesea mere, at Colly Weston, at

¹ *Sussex Arch. Soc.* xx. 14.

³ Fine Roll, 5 Edw. IV (m.23).

⁵ Rickword, *List of Mayors etc.*, 13.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1486), 80.

⁹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 360.

² Fine Roll, 11 Edw. IV (m.12).

⁴ Hutchins, *Dorset*, iv. 340.

⁶ Bridges, *N'hants.*, ii. 596.

⁸ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 153.

¹⁰ *Foedera*, V. iv. 47.

¹¹ Drakard, *Stamford*, 140.

King's Cliffe—in so many grants, offices and places was he partner or forerunner of David Cecil (*q.v.*) that a relationship between them seems likely. Vice-Chamberlain to Arthur, Pr. of Wales, 1495; J.P. in Bucks., Glos., Heref., Salop and Worcs.; keeper of swans, cygnets, etc., in Lincs., N'hants., Hunts. and Cambs.; pardoned 1496;¹ sheriff, Bucks. and Beds., 1498–9; master forester of Weybridge, 1501; kntd., 18 Feb. 1503;² to him was committed the “finding and raiment” of Margaret Pole, Clarence's da. and heir, 1503;³ apptd. by Parlt. comnr. for the collection in Hunts. of the subsidy of 1504;⁴ steward of the lands of Sir Guy Wolston (*q.v.*), decd. Aug. 1504; joined by David Cecil in the keepership of King's Cliffe.

D. just before 22 Oct. 1506, when writs of *diem clausit* were sent to the eschrs. of Hunts., Lincs., Bucks. and Rutland.⁵ Will, dat. 25 Sept., pr. 10 Dec. 1506. To be bur. in St. Mary's, Stamford. To wife £100, 60 oxen, 12 kine, 100 wethers, and a gilt goblet. Bequests to s. Hugh, and to da. Margaret (Lady Margaret's god-child?), and to litell Davy Philip 10 ewes and 10 “lambys”, and to each of his das. 5 ewes and 10s. Bequests to godsons, Davy Souche, Davy Lynne, etc. to each godson called Davy 10s. Residue to s. Hugh. Exors.:—Edward Hawtrey, Davy Scisseld (Cecil), Hugh Edwards, Robert Burnard. Supervisor, Master of Fotheringhay college.⁶

PHILIP, THOMAS (1445–1497); of Hull, shipmaster. M.P. Hull 1491–2.

Thomas Philip, master of *la Garce*, was ordered to press mariners for the said ship, 9 July 1473; mayor of Hull 1483, 1491; he surrendered the custody of Altofts, Yorks., which had been granted him for life by Henry VII, 1488; dispensation for Thomas Philip and Agnes Benson to marry though related in 4th degree, 26 Jan. 1492.⁷ He made a bequest to Holy Trinity Church, Hull, 1497.⁸ *D.* 1497, will dat. 10 Apr. 1497, pr. 3 May 1497.⁹

Not Sir Thomas ap Philip who *d.* 1520.

PHILIP, WILLIAM (1420–63); of Sheen, Surrey; King's Serjeant-at-Arms 1453–63. M.P. Southwark 1453–4. Lancastrian.

Not Sir William Philip, lord Bardolf (1383–1441),¹⁰ nor the William Philip goldsmith and chamberlain of London, but perhaps a son of either.

On 17 Jan. 1453 the King's serjeant, William Philip, for good service on both sides the sea, was made King's serjeant-at-arms with 12*d.* a day out of issues of London.¹¹ He was commissioned to purvey wines for the Household in 1457 and Feb. 1460. Edward IV renewed his appointment as King's serjeant-at-arms, 12 July 1461; and in 1462 he is called servant of John Tiptoft, earl of Worcester, when granted the bailliwick of Haw, Glos.

D. 1463/4. Will of William Philip, King's Serjeant-at-Arms, dat. 22 Apr. 1463, pr. 20 Mar. 1464. To be bur. at St. Mary's on hill, Billingsgate. Bequests

¹ Pardon Roll, 29 June 1496 “of Thornowe, N'hants., esq. of our bōdy, *alias* late of Isnamstede-Cheyney, Bucks., esq., keeper of swans and cygnets in Lincs., N'hants., Hunts. and Cambs., *alias* keeper of the park at Clyff, Foderinghay and Colyweston, N'hants., *alias* keeper of the little park at Windsor, *alias* J.P. N'hants., Bucks., Heref., Glos., Salop and Worcs.” (m.4). ² Shaw, *Knights*, ii. 34. ³ Privy Purse exs. of Henry VII, *Excerpta Hist.* 131.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 535.

⁵ Fine Rolls, 22 Hen. VII (m.1).

⁶ P.C.C., 13 Adeane.

⁷ *Test. Ebor.* iii. 356. ⁸ Hull Corp. Bench Book, *per* A. S. Harvey.

⁹ *Yorks. Arch. Rec. Soc.*, vol. vi. ¹⁰ *Comp. Peer.* i. 421. ¹¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1453), 39.

to s. John, to sis. Jane w. of John Smith, to William senior and William junior, his sons, to Christina Elys his kinswoman. Exix. :—Margaret his wife. Lands in Sheen, Surrey.¹

PHILPOT (PHELPOT), JOHN (1420–85); of Compton-Waslyn, Hants. M.P. Wells 1459.

S. and h. of John Phelpot of the same (*d. c.* 1436).

The wardship of John s. of John Philipotte who held of the bp. of Ely, was granted by the crown in 1437; and in 1439 his marriage, while still under age, was granted to Elizabeth Newporte of Hants for 255 marks. He was not a freeman of Wells and there is no reference to such a name locally. But he was a comnr. of array in Hants, 1457; apparently in Essex in 1459; and again in Hants during the Readeption, 27 Oct. 1470.

D. 1484/5. Will, dat. 24 Nov. 1484, pr. 16 Nov. 1485. John Philpot the elder of Compton-Waslyn, Hants. To be bur. in the chapel at Compton which he meant to build. To da. Margaret for her marriage £200. Residue to s. John, to bestow for the souls of myself and wife Elizabeth. Exors. :—s. John and John Hayward. Lands in London to s. Thomas who is to have £10 *per ann.* His manors of Compton and Lymyngton, Hants, Hoxton, Mdsx., and Kelleshill, Herts., to build a chapel and then to s. John.²

PHIPPS, JOHN (1420–80); Purveyor of game to the Household. M.P. Winchelsea 1455–6, or 1459, or 1470.

In 1453 a commission was apptd. to arrest and bring before the Council Thomas Phelip and Alice his wife, John Phelip, and others. On 1 Dec. 1453 John Phelip was comsmd. to purvey game to the Household, which comn. was renewed in May 1454 and 30 Mar. 1455. These may or may not be the Thomas and John Philip of Barking, Essex, yeoman, who were pardoned, 10 Aug. 1463.

The names of the M.P.s for Winchelsea are given in the Larking MSS. in Maidstone library, but the year and reign are in this case omitted, and any of the above Parliaments and dates would suit.

PICKERING (PYKERYNG), Sir JAMES (1419³–60); of Ellerton, E. Riding. M.P. YORKSHIRE 1447, 1449–50, 1455–6. Yorkist.

S. and h. of John Pickering of same (*d.* 1426), by Ellen da. of Sir Richard Harrington.⁴

Kntd. by 1441; on comns. in Yorkshire 1441 onwards, but not the Lancastrian ones; sheriff, Yorks., 20 Dec. 1449–50; elector, Yorks., 1453; J.P. East Riding, 28 Feb. 1455 to 24 Nov. 1458, and 23 Aug. 1460 till death. In Mar. 1452 Pickering and the customers of Hull were ordered to seize ships and mariners for service. He was one of the riotous magnates in Yorkshire who were ordered, in July 1453, to keep the peace and obey Sir William Lucy and his comn.;⁵ pardoned, 14 Jan. 1458, as late of Elreton, Yorks., *alias* of Killyngton, Westd.⁶

Pickering was with the Yorkists at Blore Heath and Ludford, and was attainted, Dec. 1459. He was one of those advisers of the Duke of York, together with Sir John Neville and Thomas Colt (*q.v.*) by whose counsel Sir William Skipwith had

¹ P.C.C., 3 Godyn.

² P.C.C., 17 Logge.

³ Born 29 Aug. 1419.

⁴ Foster, *Visitns. of Yorks.*, p. 630.

⁵ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 149.

⁶ Pardon Roll, 1458 (m.41).

been expelled from Conisbrough. The 1459 Parlt. declared that Skipwith was to be restored and Pickering expelled; indeed early in 1460 the Lancastrians were offering 5 marks for his capture.¹ The offer was far too low. He was probably with Warwick at Northampton. He was certainly with York at Wakefield, where he fell beside the Duke, 30 Dec. 1460.²

In Dec. 1461 the custody of Ellerton, Yorks., in the King's hands by reason of the minority of James Pickering (aged 6), g.s. of Sir James, was granted to Margaret, widow of James Pickering esq., s. and h. of Sir James Pickering, decd., for the relief of herself and her seven children.

PICKERING, JOHN (1445-98); of London, mercer. M.P. London 1483 Nov., 1484, 1485-6, 1487, 1489-90.

Perhaps s. of John Pickering, the governor of the English merchants in the Netherlands, 1445 to 1486; or perhaps s. of William Pickering, a London elector 1449, 1450. *M.* by 1480/3 Jane da. and h. of Alice sis. and coh. of Robert Kelyat of Westhall, Suffolk.³

Convicted by mayor and aldermen of having without just cause and against his conscience kept a man in prison for near a year, 1467, he had to pay his victim £5.⁴ He was assigned to hand a petition to the King concerning the subsidy, 1479;⁵ on the list of mercers "pardoned" 1480; was paid for various kinds of "sausenetts" (saracenets) supplied to the King, 1480;⁶ auditor of London (never alderman) 1485-7; money was owing to him as cit. and mercer of London, 1488; attended the King's council, 1488.⁷

D. 29 Nov. 1498, when Roger Thorney of London, mercer, aged 50, s. of Jane sis. of Jane mother of John Pickering, was his cousin and heir; lands in Lothbury, London.⁸

PIDDLESTON see PITTLEDEN.

PIERPOINT (PERPOYNT), Sir HENRY (1430-99); of Holbeck-Woodhouse, Notts., and of Valley, Derbys. M.P. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1472-5, 1491-2.

S. and h. of Henry Pierpoint of Holme by Nottingham, M.P. Notts., *d.* 1456/7, by Thomasine da. of Sir John Melton;⁹ *m.* a da. of Roos of Ingmanthorpe; no issue.

Father and s. were Notts. electors in 1447; but the father was killed in an affray with the Plumptions of Yorks. on Papplewick Moor 1456/7.¹⁰ The s. was owed £16 in Derbys. 1455; pardoned, 5 Feb. 1458. He is said to have fought at Towton¹¹ and was granted by Edward IV one third of Staveley, Derbys. (exempted 1467¹² and 1473). About 1467 he had a long dispute with the commonalty of Nottingham as to a mill on the Leen which he attempted to appropriate.¹⁰ On Notts. comns. Feb. 1470, 26 Apr. 1471, and occasionally till Dec. 1488; sheriff, Notts. and Derbys., 1468-9 and 11 Apr. to Nov. 1471; J.P. Notts., 3 May to 9 Nov. 1470; kntd. 4 May 1471 at Tewkesbury;¹³ J.P. Notts. again, 11 July 1471 (though then sheriff) to 24 June 1473, 14 May to 28 June 1483, and 20 Sept. 1485

¹ Stevenson's *Let. & Pap.* ii. 514.

² Worcester, *Annales*, 775.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 62/202. ⁴ *Jor.* 7, fo. 150. ⁵ *Jor.* 8, fo. 209. ⁶ *Wardrobe Accts.* 116.

⁷ *Jor.* 9, fos. 221d, 222. ⁸ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.* ii. No. 194. ⁹ *Harl. Soc.* iv. 55.

¹⁰ *Ex inf.* C. Constable.

¹¹ Bailey, *Annals of Nottingham*, i. 329.

¹² *Rot. Parl.* v. 590.

¹³ Shaw, *Knights*, ii. 14.

to 20 Feb. 1493. Pardoned, 1 Dec. 1472,¹ while in Parlt. While in Parlt. he was apptd. one of the comrns. to take seisin of those lands lately held by Clarence and resumed by Parlt., 9 Jan. 1474.² He was a feoffee for Thomas Harewood of lands in Yorks., 1480; pardoned, 26 Apr. 1484, at Nottingham, and 14 Feb. 1486.³ His arrest for contempt of court was ordered, 6 May 1488;⁴ M.P. 1491-2.

D. just before 18 Dec. 1499. Will, dat. 23 Oct. 1489, pr. at York, 18 Dec. 1499. To be bur. at St. Edmonds in Holme among his ancestors. No children. Exors.:—John Charnock priest, John Caunt priest, John Vilers esq., Thomas Molyneux esq., and William Coke priest.⁵ His nephew and heir William Pierpoint esq. had licence to enter as son of Francis bro. of Sir Henry, 31 Jan. 1500.

PIERSON, HUGH. M.P. Cricklade 1459.

Undiscovered in the Patent Rolls. But in 1481 Hugh Pereson was a feoffee of land in Staunden, Berks., for Sir Thomas Frowyk.⁶

PIGOT, SIMON (1420-80); of Lynn, merchant. M.P. Lynn 1459, 1461-2.

Perhaps son of John Pygot, merchant, living 1437. He was made freeman of Lynn 1438/9; keeper of Trinity Guild, Lynn, 1446-7; mayor of Lynn 1454; J.P. 3 Nov. 1456 to 24 Jan. 1458; pardoned, 13 Oct. 1455, "of Lynn, merchant" (m.19); and again 13 June 1458, with "late mayor" added (m.3). About 1475 Robert Thoresby and Simon Pigot, merchants of Lynn, partners, were suing in chancery.⁷

PILKINGTON, Sir JOHN (1430-79); of Pilkington, Lancs., of Sowerby, Yorks. Squire and knt. of the Body 1461-79; Chamberlain of the Exchequer 1477-9. M.P. YORKSHIRE 1472-5, 1478.

S. and h. of Robert Pilkington of the same⁸ (d. 1452/8); m. Jane widow of Ralph Laughton and da. and coh. of William de Balderston. They had Edward; and his wife survived him, rem. Sir Thomas Wortley, from whom she was divorced, and took the veil c. 1486.⁹

The Parlt. of 1450-1 passed a special Act against John Pilkington of Yorks., esq., for rape of a woman against nature, which raised the question of the date of special Acts. It was laid down by Faukes, clerk of the Parliaments, that all Acts dated from the first day of the Session.¹⁰ But Pilkington got his pardon, 19 June 1452.⁸ Pardoned again, 1458,¹¹ and, apparently *in contumaciam*, 23 Mar. 1460, for he was then with the earls in Calais.¹² He returned with the earls and was made a controller of tonage and poundage in the port of London, 30 July 1460.

¹ Pardon Roll, 1472, as "of Holbeck-Woodhouse, knt., late sheriff of Notts. and Derbys., *alias* tenant of 'Govaldeston' and Widmerspol, Notts., and Tibshelf, Derbys., *alias* s. and h. of Henry Pierpont esq., *alias* late of Holme by Nottingham" (m.12).

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1474), p. 428.

³ Pardon Roll, 1486, as of Walley, Derbys., knt., *alias* late of Holbeck-Wodehouse, Notts., *alias* late of Nottingham (m.6).

⁴ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 302.

⁵ *Test. Ebor.* iv. 43-4; *Surtees Soc.* liii. 43-4.

⁶ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. 26.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/84.

⁸ Pardon Roll, 1452, as son of Robert Pilkington of Lancs. and Yorks. (m.31).

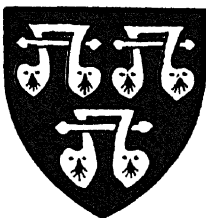
⁹ *Yorks Arch. Soc.* (Records), xci. 205.

¹⁰ *Year Book*, 33 *Hen. VI*, p. 17.

¹¹ Pardon Roll, 1 Apr. 1458, as late of Pilkington, Lancs., gent., *alias* late of Bury, Lancs., *alias* of Sowerby, Yorks., gent., *alias* of Aryngden, Yorks., esq. (m.14).

¹² As of Pilkington, Lancs., *alias* of Calais, esq. (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1460, 591).

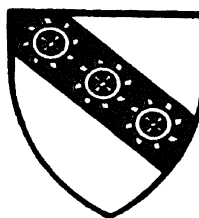
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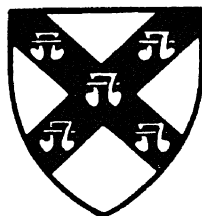
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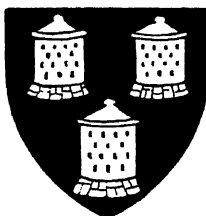
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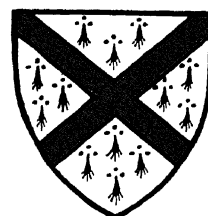
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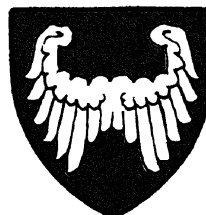
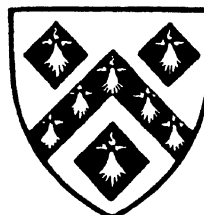
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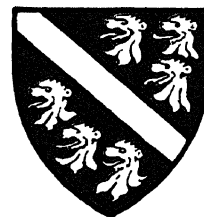
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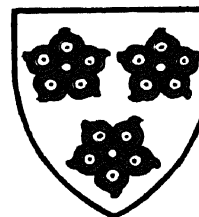
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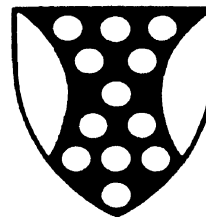
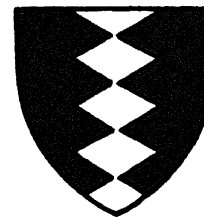
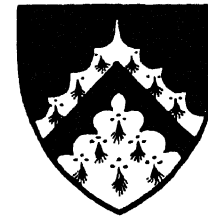
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TANFIELD



The rest of his life is one long series of grants. Edward made him Squire of the Body with 50 marks a year; parker of Berkhamstead, July 1461; gave him a hospice and four shops in Aldrichgate, Aug. 1461; one third of Thornton in Craven, Feb. 1462; constable of Wicklow with the manors of Turvey and Rushe, co. Dublin, forfeited by James Butler, earl of Wilts., Apr. 1464; Turnham and Thornton, forfeited by lord Roos, Nov. 1464; forester of Sowerby and "Ayringden", Yorks., 1465; and always exempted from resumption.¹ J.P. N'hants., 17 July 1461 to 15 May 1465; sheriff, Lancs., Mich. 1462 to Mich. 1463, Mich. 1464 to Mich. 1467; J.P. West Riding, 8 July 1464 to 19 Nov. 1470, and 24 Feb. 1472 till death; on comns. in Yorks. 1465 to 1473, and in S. Wales Jan. 1470.

In June 1470 Scott (*q.v.*) and Pilkington mustered Earl Rivers' force at Sandwich, but, after the King's flight, he and others were captured, imprisoned at Pomfret, and "lyek to die hastily withowte they be dead".² Maybe he was freed on Edward's return and fought at Barnet; he was certainly kntd. at Tewkesbury, 4 May 1471;³ one of the ten knights who swore allegiance to the Prince of Wales, 13 July 1471. And then the grants began again, to the now knt. of the body—Butler's lands in Dublin, John Caterall's forfeited lands in Lancs., steward of barony of Sherburn, Yorks.⁴ He founded a chantry in 1475 to pray for himself, wife Jane, Gilbert Parr and John Leicester (*q.v.*)⁵; had licence to crenelate Pilkington hall by Wakefield which he had newly built, 28 May 1477; and his infant son Edward was joined with him in the forestership of Sowerby, 5 Mar. 1478. From Apr. 1477 he was one of the two Chamberlains of the Exchequer (with Hastings);⁶ still so in July 1478⁶ and probably at death.

D. shortly before 3 Mar. 1479.⁷ Will, dat. at Skipton 28 June 1478, pr. at York 30 June 1479.⁸ To be bur. in his chantry at Wakefield. His servants named include William Malet (*q.v.*) 10s. Bequests to s. and h. Edward, then a minor; to bastard s. Robert, to w. Dame Jane. Exors. :—Duke of Gloucester, my lord Chamberlain (Hastings), with William Calverley and Robert Chaloner.⁸ The Yorkshire family of Pilkington descend from his bastard son Robert.

PILLE (PYLLE), THOMAS DE LA; coroner of the Marshalsea. M.P. Ludgershall 1442.

He was one of those to be arrested in 1436 to answer for "certain horrible things".⁹ He must have replied successfully, for in 1443 he and Robert Faireford had a joint grant of the office of coroner of the court of the marshalsea of the Household, with wages of 8*d.* a day. They accounted as coroner, from 1443 to 1447.¹⁰ As a Thomas Pille witnesses a grant of Hugh Egerton's in Cheshire in 1446, it may be that this man, like so many other royal servants, came from the Palatinate.

¹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 475; v. 535; v. 587; vi. 16; vi. 80. ² *Paston Letters*, ii. 412.

³ *ibid.* iii. 9. Shaw says made K.B. 18 Apr. 1475, which if true is the only case we have found of one already kntd. being further made knt. of the Bath. Indeed we have found no distinction made between knts., knts. of the sword, K.B.s, or citizen-knts.

⁴ Granted him nominally by archbp. Neville, 7 June 1475 (*Test. Ebor.* iii. 237n).

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1475), 564.

⁶ Issue Roll, 18 Edw. IV, No. 846; *Pilkington Family*, pp. 33-4.

⁷ When Lynton and Turnhamhall were regranted, Sir John being dead (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1479, 139). ⁸ *Test. Ebor.* iii. 237. ⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1436), 83. ¹⁰ *Exchq. Accts.* 259/8.

PILTON, JOHN (1430-95); of Drayton, N'hants.; ranger of Rockingham Forest 1476-95. M.P. RUTLAND 1472-5.

An elector in Rutland 1459, and had done good service to Henry VI; pardoned, 1469;² made ranger of Rockingham forest, 30 July 1476; bailiff for Queen Elizabeth in N'hants.;³ pardoned, 1484;⁴ sheriff, Rutland, 1484-5; ranger of Cliffe and Rockingham, confirmed, 22 Sept. 1485,⁵ and exempted from resumption;⁶ but he was joined in this service by William Lynne, 5 Mar. 1484, both being then described as King's servants.⁵

PILTON (*alias* REYNOLDS), WILLIAM (1420-80); of Lynn, merchant. M.P. Lynn 1453-4, 1459, 1460-1, 1467-8.

Perhaps son of William Pilton of Lynn, merchant.⁶

He was pardoned, 4 Nov. 1455, "of Lynn, merchant, *alias* William Reynolds" (m.7). Mayor 1461, 1468. £10 was owed to William Pilton, burgess and merchant of Bishop's Lynn, in July 1473; and he was dead 1475/85, when Thomas Thoresby, Lynn's richest citizen, was his executor.⁷

PINCHAMORE, JOHN (1445-1500); of Norwich; of Little Hautbois, Norf. M.P. Norwich 1491-2.

Perhaps s. of John Pinchamore, a lawyer of Norwich (*fl.* 1444-71).

Pardoned, 10 May 1484, as of Little Hautbois, Norf., gent., *alias* of Lit. Hobbes, *alias* of Norwich; sheriff, Norwich, 1487; subsidy comnr., apptd. in Parlt., 1496.⁸

PINNEY (PYNNE), ROBERT (1405-70); of Yarmouth, merchant. M.P. Yarmouth 1449-50.

S., yr. bro., or cousin of John Pinney, M.P. Yarmouth, who died *c.* 1450.

Bailiff of Yarmouth 1439, 1447, 1451, 1458.⁹ In 1442 he was a servant of Isabel, lady Morley,¹⁰ but he was mainly trader. About 1447 Robert Pynne, who had been bailiff of Yarmouth, was summoned to appear before the Council—alleged to have resisted comnrs. sent to enquire into shipment of wools contrary to proclamation—in which shipments Pynne had been "causer, capteyne, supportour, chief counsellour and partiner".¹¹ He was pardoned outlawry for not appearing in Jan. 1448 as "merchant of Yarmouth" and as such he was pardoned again, 15 June 1452 (m.32), alternately "chapman". In 1449 John Grete of Ipswich sued John and Robert Pynne of Yarmouth for the seizure of the ship *Greenewold* of Middleburgh at Yarmouth;¹² and in 1456 Thomas Gower esq., owner of the ship *Cokke John*, sued Robert Pynne of Yarmouth, one of the victuallers of the said ship, for refusal to pay his share in the compensation to be paid for the unlawful seizure of the *Marye* of Middelburgh.¹³

He was still living in Jan. 1469 when he was pardoned (m.8), but must have died soon after.

¹ Pardon Roll, 8 July 1484, as of Rockingham, gent., *alias* late of Harringworth esq., *alias* late bailiff of the liberty of Q. Elizabeth in N'hants., *alias* late of Drayton, N'hants., gent. (m.32).

² Pardon Roll, 20 June 1469, as late of Stawston, Leics., gent., *alias* late of Harringworth (m.1). ³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1485), 8. ⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 364. ⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1486), 81.

⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 529.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/113.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 518.

⁹ Lestrangle, *Norfolk Official Lists*, 156.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1442), 71.

¹¹ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. pp. 328-9.

¹² *Early Chan. Proc.* 17/131.

¹³ *ibid.* 25/200.

PIRIE see PURY.

PISTOR (PYSTOR), NICHOLAS (1420-80); of Hants, esq. M.P. Ludgershall 1447.

Juror, Hants, 1461, 1465—of Thornegate, Hants, 1461; juror in Winchester, 1472, 1473, 1474.¹ Or the baker of Ludgershall!

PITT (PYTT), RICHARD (1405-72); of Brigstock, N'hants., gent., lawyer? M.P. Lostwithiel 1449-50.

A witness to a quit claim, 1430, as "of Brygstroke";² to take seisin 1431, as of Northampton, gent.;³ as of Northampton he went surety for Thomas Palmer (*q.v.*) for the keeping of the forest of Rockingham, 1442;⁴ an attorney, N'hants., Essex, Suffolk, on the Plea Rolls, 1450. Pitte paid $\frac{1}{2}$ mark for a writ "*de Recordari*" in Glos.,⁵ 1456; and, as of Brygstroke, N'hants., gent., he and Richard Armeston of Bulwick, N'hants., went surety for Robert Wesenham (*q.v.*) and Simon Burton for the keeping of fisheries, 1456.⁶ He died shortly before 24 June 1472, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Hunts.⁷

All of which would be a sufficiently satisfactory identification for a Cornish boro' M.P., were it not that one William Pitt, Prime Minister, was of Cornish extraction. Also in 1475/85 a Richard Pitt sued feoffees to uses for a messuage in Roscradek, Cornwall.⁸

PITTELSDEN (PYTELSDEN), VINCENT (1415-80); of Plymouth, ship-owner. Deputy Butler and Customer. M.P. Plymouth 1455-6.

One of the two collectors of customs and subsidy in Plymouth and Fowey 1446-60.⁹ Pardoned, 30 May 1446, as of Tauton Episcopi, Devon, gent.; owner of *le George* of Plymouth, 1451; one of those comsnd. to arrest ships and mariners in Devon for service, June 1452; mayor of Plymouth 1453-5 and 1456-7,¹⁰ resigning the mayoralty after election to Parliament, but made eschr. of Devon and Cornwall instead 1455-6. He took out a pardon in Nov. 1455 "of Plymouth, merchant, *alias* gent."; obtained licence in Dec. 1456 to take 30 pilgrims to St. James in Galicia in his ship *le Marie Fleur* of Plymouth—a very lucrative trade.¹¹ He was pardoned as collector of subsidy, 12 June 1458. Nanfan, Cooke and Pittlesden were on a piracy comn. at Fowey, Jan. 1458; and in 1458/9 he granted to Jane, widow of Roger Andrew, a toft in Nutte st., Plymouth.¹² The Yorkists reapptd. him customer as before, and made him also controller of customs and deputy butler at Southampton, and receiver of the forfeited lands in Devon of the earls of Devon and Wilts. 1461. He had also to enquire into the loss of gear on Warwick's ship *le Grace Dieu*, 10 Sept. 1461. Pardoned with other old Lancastrian officials, 15 Feb. 1462;¹³ pardoned all arrears of account from his two receiverships, May 1463. He must have been a sheriff of Southampton 1466-7.¹⁴ In 1467/72 Pittlesden sued the mayor etc. of Winchester for having brought an action of trespass against

¹ Anc. Indicts. K.B. (*penes* A. T. Butler).

³ *ibid.* (1431), 113.

⁵ *ibid.* 34 Hen. VI (m.22).

⁷ *ibid.* 12 Edw. IV (m.16).

⁹ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

¹¹ *Foedera*, V. ii. 65.

¹³ "Of Plymouth, *alias* of Hants, *alias* late collector of customs and subsidy in Plymouth and Fowey, *alias* customer there" (m.38).

² *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1430), 92.

⁴ Fine Roll, 21 Hen. VI (m.18).

⁶ *ibid.* 34 Hen. VI (m.6).

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 58/255.

¹⁰ R. N. Worth, *Hist. of Plymouth*, 126.

¹² *Hist. MSS. Comm.* ix. 75.

¹⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 403.

him because he had sued him for debt at Southampton.¹ He remained a butler and collector at Southampton till death; for his last pardon, 3 Feb. 1472, describes him as "late of Plymouth, late eschr., late collr. of customs etc. in Plymouth and Fowey, late of Southampton, merchant, late sheriff of Southampton, *alias* of Southampton, esq."

He was dead by 1475/85, when Agnes his widow was sued for rent of the Weighhouse at Southampton.²

PLOMER, ROBERT (1445-1510); of Sandon, Essex; lawyer; servt. to the Treasurer; customer, London, 1475-83. M.P. Maldon 1478, (? 1483 Jan.,³ 1484), 1491-2.

He came perhaps from Barnet;⁴ *m.* Jane widow of John Quyk by 1467/72 since they were then suing for Barland's in Prittlewell, Essex.⁵

Pardoned as of London gent., 20 Feb. 1472; apptd. surveyor of lands and taxes in East Anglia, 26 Mar. 1472; on Essex comns. 1473 to 1485; a comnr. to receive the 10th and 15th from Essex, Herts., and Mdsx., and deliver at the Exchr., 28 Nov. 1474; a collector of customs and subsidy in the port of London, 1475;⁶ witnessed an Essex deed for Sir Thomas Urswick, chief baron, Feb. 1475.⁷ He was the servant or business agent for Henry Bouchier, earl of Essex (1404-83), who made him steward of Waddesdon, Bucks., with 20s. wages and free pasture in the park, 4 Oct. 1477, granted him a 40s. pension out of Chingford in 1478, and made him his feoffee.⁸ No doubt the earl got him his seat at Maldon, to hold which he had first to be admitted to the freedom of the borough.⁹ J.P. Essex, of the quorum, 12 Nov. 1478 to 28 June 1483, and 5 Dec. 1483 till 18 July 1509. Feoffees conveyed to him land in Sandon, Essex, 20 Feb. 1483,¹⁰ and henceforth he is described as of Sandon. He was restored to the bench by Richard III; pardoned 1484,¹¹ and to be arrested in Herefordshire, 28 Dec. 1485. Henry VII, however, pardoned him, 9 Mar. 1486. The rights of Richard Clopton, grandson of Thomas Coggeshale, in Sandon were released to him, 1487, and he bought Sir Roger Ree's (*q.v.*) lands at Woodham-Ferrers, 1490; he was acting for Lord Dynham in 1497. Sheriff, Essex and Herts., 1494-5. He sat on even more comns. after 1485, being justice of gaol delivery at Colchester.

He must have been still alive when pardoned, 1509, as "of Sandon, Essex, gent., *alias* esq.," and presumably died soon after as he vanishes from the Essex bench in that year.

PLUSH (PLUSSHE),¹² WILLIAM (1415-61); of Cannington, Som. M.P. Taunton 1449-50, 1450-1; Bridgwater 1455-6.

Juror at Cannington, 6 Oct. 1460.¹³

D. 29 June 1461, having committed suicide by stabbing himself.¹⁴

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 45/249.

² *ibid.* 55/208.

³ On the comn. to appt. collrs. of subsidy, 27 Apr. 1483.

⁴ The will of Robert Plomer of Barnet, *d.* 1444, mentions his bro. William (*Herts. G. & A. Soc.* iii. 139). ⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 41/245.

⁶ Receipt Rolls, 15 Edw. IV, No. 920.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 451.

⁸ *ibid.* vi. pp. 311, 363.

⁹ Maldon Court Books, 1/2.

¹⁰ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 354.

¹¹ Pardon Roll, 1484—of London, gent., *alias* of Sandon, Essex, *alias* receiver of 10th and 15th in Mdsx., Essex and Herts., *alias* late collr. of subsidy on wool and of customs in London, *alias* late contr. of customs in London (m.10).

¹² Apparently a local name in Somerset.

¹³ *Anc. Indicts. K.B.* (*penes* A. T. Butler, esq.).

¹⁴ *ibid.*

POERS see POWERS.

POLARD, (Sir) LEWIS (1465-1526); of Gilderton, Devon. Serjt.-at-Law from 1505; Justice of Common Pleas 1514-26. M.P. Totnes 1491-2. Sumnd. 1510, 1512, 1515, 1523.

S. of Robert Pollard of Roborough near Torrington by Jane da. and coh. of Elizabeth Squyer; *m.* Agnes da. of Thomas Hext of Kingston by Totnes.

Called to the bar at the Middle Temple, where he was reader in 1502; J.P. Devon, 22 Nov. 1492 to 1514;¹ serjt.-at-law, 9 July 1505; King's serjt. 9 July 1507, confirmed by Hen. VIII 1509. Justice of assize for the Oxford circuit 1509, Western circuit, 1511-4; frequently on comns. for the s.-western counties. Apptd. Judge of the Common Pleas and knthd. 1514; retired from the bench soon after Feb. 1526.²

Will, dat. 4 Nov. 1525, pr. 2 Nov. 1526: Lewis Pollard kt., Justice of King's Bench, mentions sons, Hugh, Richard, John and Anthony, and da. Margaret. Annes his wife to live sole. Exors. :—wife and son Hugh.³

POLE, JOHN (1420-80); of Shaftesbury and Wilton, esq. M.P. Marlborough 1442; Shaftesbury 1453-4; Wilton 1461-2, 1472-5, 1478.

Said to be a yr. bro. of — Pole of Cheshire;⁴ *m.* Elizabeth, whose will, pr. in 1488, shows that they had issue, John (? afterwards M.P. for Wells) and Richard (1450-1517) M.P. Wilton, as well as das. Elizabeth and "Enid".

He was servant to the Abbess of Wilton; pardoned, 1 Mar. 1447, as of Swallowfield, Wilts., *alias* of Chalke, *alias* of Dynton, Wilts. (m.16); the same man was mayor of Shaftesbury 1456-9,⁵ and pardoned, Feb. 1462, as of Shaftesbury⁶ gent. (m.38); and again 1469/70 as of Wilton esq., *alias* late of Shaftesbury, *alias* late of Lopyn, Somerset (m.8).

There was also a John Pole elected for Wells 1461—perhaps a double election. Decidedly, one cannot be sure if the same man sat for these four boroughs. But the Wilton-Shaftesbury-Swallowfield John Pole is not the John Pole of Bruton, Som., of Hardbridge, Hants, and of Stanbridge, Dorset, who flourished 1432-72, still less is he the John Pole of Radbourne, Derbyshire, who flourished 1431-63.

POLE, JOHN. M.P. Wells 1461-2.

Perhaps a double election of John Pole of Wilton, but *cf.* John Pole of West Harptree, Som., M.P. (1460-1512).

POLE (POWLE), JOHN (1460-1511/2); of West Harptree, Som. Yeoman of the Crown 1499-1509. M.P. Wells 1504.

Perhaps s. of John Pole M.P. for Wells 1461, or of John Pole of Wilton M.P. (1420-80).⁷

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 58/142; at Mich. 1493, Pollard and John Kyrton sued for land at Tor Bryan, Devon (*Geneal. N.S.* xxv. 85).

² *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Lewis Pollard, gives his death erroneously as 1540.

³ P.C.C., 11 Porch.

⁴ *Visitn. Glos.* p. 125. Dunlop is right in thinking this pedigree "vague."

⁵ His seal as mayor is attached to a deed dated at Shaftesbury, Xmas 1458 (Bath Corpn. deeds, p. 61, No. 61).

⁶ A quitclaim in Nov. 1462 refers to his house in Shaftesbury.

⁷ *Visitn. Glos.* 125.

He was yeoman of the crown by 1499, when made exor. of the will of Sir John St. Loo of Chew, Som.; a gentleman-usher at the funeral of Henry VII;¹ pardoned 10 May 1509, as of West Harptree, Bridgwater, Frome, Selwood and Midsomer-Norton, Som., of Randlestone, Dorset, late yeoman of the crown.²

D. 1511/2; will of John Pole of West Harptree, Som., "Yeoman"; dat. 1 Sept. 1511, pr. 6 Oct. 1512.³ He is probably not the contemporary John Pole of Lincoln's Inn.

POLE, NICHOLAS (1400-50); of Chichester, draper. M.P. Chichester 1432, 1435, 1442.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Pole, mayor of Chichester in 1425. John Oke, husbandman of Donington, sued Nicholas Pole, draper of Chichester, 1439;⁴ Pole was one of those to found a guild at St. George's, Chichester, in 1446.

It may possibly be the same Nicholas Pole, who was pardoned in 1470 and 1472, as late of London, capper, but this is unlikely; the M.P. probably lived and died in Chichester.

POLE, RICHARD (1450-1517); of Coates, Glos., formerly of Wilton. Squire of the Body 1484-5. M.P. Wootton-Bassett 1478; HEREFORDSHIRE 1495.

Second s. of John Pole, steward of abbess of Wilton, M.P. (1420-80) by Elizabeth (d. 1487);⁵ m. (1) a da. of Danvers, (2) Alice sis. of Thomas Langford (? da. of Edward Langford M.P. Berks. 1415-74) and widow of John Stradling, (3) by 1485, Elizabeth (d. 1511/2), widow of Sir William Nottingham, M.P. (1415-83),⁶ da. and coh. of John Goldwell of Fawkham, Kent.⁷ Edward Stradling, his second wife's s., was made a ward to Henry Danvers of Calthorpe, Oxon.; but in Wood Street, Cripplegate, Richard Pole violently seized the boy "with swords" out of Danvers' keeping. Many quarrels followed; but in 1484 the guardianship was transferred to Richard Pole "of Isleworth", one of the squires of the King's body.⁸ Very soon afterwards the boy and his mother were murdered at Dauntsey, Wilts., perhaps at the instigation of Danvers.⁹

He was called esquire when elected in 1478. Sheriff, Norf. and Suff., 1484-5; comnr. of array, Suff., 1 May 1484; lands in Houghton, Hants, and in Dorset were settled on John and Richard Pole esqs. in tail, 11 Jan. 1485; he acquired Sapperton and Coates, Glos., and Little Chelworth, Wilts., from the trustees of Sir William Nottingham's will, 15 May 1487; J.P. Glos., 21 Feb. 1485 till Bosworth and 9 Nov. 1490 till death; sheriff, Glos., 1491-2, 1497-8; comnd. to provide horses from Dorset for the King's ordnance, Feb. 1492; pardoned with Elizabeth his wife, 23 May 1492;¹⁰ steward of the household to Jasper, duke of Bedford;¹¹

¹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. p. 14.

² *ibid.* i. 438 (4 m.21).

³ To be bur. at Westharptree. Lands for a chantry at Westharptree to be founded by advice of John FitzJames, Robert Bowryng, and Gregory Morgan. Lands in Dorset to Gregory Morgan and Isabel his wife "my da." Masses at Wells, Bristol and Bridgwater. To John Pole of London "my fox-furred gowne, a cote, a dublet, and 6s. 8d. in money. Residue to Gregory and he sole exor. Supervisors.—Richard, Abbot of Glastonbury, and Master John Heron, the King's receiver (P.C.C., 20 Fetiplace).

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 9/144.

⁵ Will dat. 20 Nov. 1487; s. Richard exor.

⁶ *Visitn. Glos.* 125; Dunlop, *Pedigrees*.

⁷ *Trans. Bristol and Glos. Arch. Soc.* vol. 50.

⁸ Harl. MSS. 433, p. 181.

⁹ *Misc. Geneal. & Her.*, 1919—pedigrees of Poole.

¹⁰ Pardon Roll, 1492, Ric. Pole esq. and Eliz. his w., late w. of Sir Wm. Nottingham (m.33).

¹¹ His accounts, rendered in 1498, are among the Hereford city muniments at Hereford.

on gaol delivery at Gloucester 1492, at Worcester 1501, at Chipping Norton 1504; apptd. controller of customs in the port of Bristol, 11 Mar. 1499; subsidy comnr., apptd. in Parlt. for Glos., 1504;¹ pardoned 1509, as "of Cotes, Glos., late sheriff of Glos. and of Norf. and Suff.,² tenant of 'Seperton manor', Glos."³

D. 29 Oct. 1517, when Leonard, aged 40, was his s. and h.; will dat. at London, 4 July 1517. To be bur. at St. James', London Wall, if he die in the city. Bequests to St. Vedast's where his w. Elizabeth is bur., and to his sons Leonard, William, Henry, and to William the yr. s. by his second w. Alice Langford.⁴

His s. Leonard *m.* 1512 Katherine da. of Sir Giles Bridges;⁵ the s. William was joined with him in a lease of Pole, Wilts., 16 May 1515.⁶

POLE, THOMAS (*b.* 1420); of Shaftesbury; ? servant to Lord Stafford. M.P. Shaftesbury 1467-8.

Perhaps brother to John Pole M.P. (1420-80) of Shaftesbury and Wilton who is alleged to have come out of Cheshire. On comns. in 1457. Thomas Pole of Salisbury, yeoman, was indicted in 1458 for taking, on 2 Nov. 1447, 300 of lord Hungerford's sheep worth £20.⁷ In 1460 he was authorised to ship merchandise from Southampton. Pardoned, 12 Mar. 1462, "Thomas Poole of Shaftesbury, gent., *alias* of Hoke, Dorset, *alias* late of Salisbury, yeoman" (m.31). The "of Hoke" makes it probable that he was a servant of Lord Stafford of Southwick (*q.v.*).

PONTESBURY, ROGER (1410-75); of Shrewsbury, mercer. M.P. Shrewsbury 1463-5.

Pardoned outlawry for not appearing and described as chapman of Shrewsbury 1444. One of the 24 burgesses chosen to assist the bailiffs in petitioning Parliament 1444. Pardoned, "of Shrewsbury, mercer", 5 May 1458. In May 1468 he was repaid £20 which he had lent to Henry VI while he remained with the Earl of March (*i.e.*, 1460-1).⁸ He was dead in 1468/70 or 1480/3 when Richard Pontesbury sued the bailiffs of Shrewsbury and Isabel wife of David Kechyn for an action brought by Isabel on an obligation of Richard's deceased father Roger.⁹

POPE, THOMAS (1395-1460); of Rye and of Horsted, Sussex, esq. King's serjeant; customer. M.P. Rye 1426, 1433, 1445-6, 1447, 1460.

Perhaps s. of William Pope, M.P. for Winchelsea 1435; *m.* Catherine,¹⁰ and is an admirable example of an officer of the Household of the period, partaking the duties of bailiff, paymaster and commissary-general.

Apptd. bailiff (King's) of Rye 1420, remaining in that office till 1459;¹¹ his arrest was ordered by the Lord Warden in 1427; deputy butler of Winchelsea, Seaford and Rye, Nov. 1435; apptd. bailiff of Romney, 1437;¹² one of those apptd. to

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 541.

² He must be distinguished from Sir Richard Pole, husband of Clarence's da. Margaret, countess of Salisbury. Sir Richard was kntd. 1487, K.G. 1499, *d.* 1504. Now this Pardon Roll of 1509 makes it clear that the sheriff of Suff. in 1484-5, sq. of the Body to Richard III, was not Sir Richard. Nor was it Sir Richard who was made collr. of customs at Bristol, as stated in *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, *sub.* Margaret Pole. ³ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 438 (1. m.4).

⁴ P.C.C., 36 Holder.

⁵ *Test. Vetust.* 498.

⁶ Duchy Lanc. Misc. Books. 30 f.17d.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1458), 451.

⁸ F. Devon, *Issues*, 491.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 37/6.

¹⁰ In 1433/4 Richard Waller and other feoffees made fine with Thomas Pope and Catherine, his wife, as to Salernescourt and land in Stone, Kent, and at Eyden and Peasmarsh in Sussex (*Feet of Fines, Sussex*). ¹¹ Vidler, *Rye*, 157. ¹² *Ex inf.* Miss Roper.

reorganise the abbey of Alcestre 1437; later that year he was arresting ships for a passage to France, and was directed to victual the castle of Crotoy in France; repeatedly on comms. to muster forces and to arrest ships—to do indeed all the multifarious services generally rendered by King's serjeants, 1435-45. In the pardon roll of 1437 he is described as Thomas Pope, junior, bailiff of Rye, late page of the chamber to Henry V (m.3); being already a King's servant he was made a serjt.-at-arms with a wage (presumably increased) of 12*d.* a day, Oct. 1439. He was also collr. of customs in Sandwich from 1439 onwards,¹ and in Dec., as collr., he was paid £345 for the passage of Cardinal Beaufort to France.² By 1443 he was customer of Chichester also, but "so that he exercised the office in person" which must have been impossible. Mayor of Rye 1444-7;³ exempted from the Act of Resumption of 1449-50, as "our well-beloved squire";⁴ he paid the Rye corpn. 6*d.* for the selling of "two pipys and two hoggeheds of wine that he sold", 1449. In 1454/5 Thomas Pope and Catherine his wife, conveyed by fine the manor of Levesham (Leasham) in Rye to Robert Horne and others.⁵ Pope was exempted from resumption in 1455 as a serjt.-at-arms; pardoned, 1458 as "of Horestead, Sussex, senior, esq., late of Rye, late mayor and bailiff of Rye, customer and controller of Chichester, late customer of Sandwich" (m.38).

D. just before 17 Oct. 1460, when his office of serjt.-of-arms was granted to John Convers esq. (q.v.).

POPHAM, Sir JOHN (1395-1463); of South Hardeford, Hants. Soldier; Treasurer of the Household 1437-9; Speaker elect 1449. M.P. HAMPSHIRE 1439-40, 1449-50.

Son of Sir John Popham M.P. Hants, 1402. Unmarried.

In the will of Edward, earl of Cambridge, dated 1415 while a prisoner at Southampton, he leaves to John Popham his new briganders of red velvet, the helmet he wore, and his best horse;⁶ Popham was then Constable of Southampton, and, after Cambridge's execution, led 120 men to France. He took a prominent part as a captain in the conquest of Normandy 1417, and was made bailiff of Caen and seigneur of Thorigny; served under Bedford also, and became chancellor of Anjou and Maine, and captain of St. Suzanne, Maine.⁷ After Bedford's death he served on the Duke of York's council in Normandy. In 1437, however, he was made Treasurer of the King's Household (keeper of the King's wardrobe)⁸ though he was again in France as ambassador in 1438/9.⁹ When the Duke of York was made Lieutenant-Governor of France in 1440, he again had Popham as a member of his council. Popham was sent to the Duke of York at Rouen, Nov. 1441. He was again elected to Parliament in 1449, and chosen for Speaker on

¹ In Nov. 1441 Thomas Pope, collr. of customs and subsidies in Sandwich and the ports adjacent, was paid for hard work and for expenses the last year (Issue Rolls).

² Devon, *Issues*, 435, 438.

³ Vidler, *Rye*, 158-9.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* v. 198.

⁵ *Sussex Record Soc.* xxiii. 266.

⁶ *Test. Vetust.* 189.

⁷ Retained by indenture for war service with 11 men-at-arms and 16 archers, Jan. 1430 (Issue Rolls).

⁸ He accounts also from 1437 to 1439 as Keeper of the Wardrobe of the Household. "Late Keeper of the King's Wardrobe," May 1439 (Issue Rolls).

⁹ The Exchq. Accts. include Popham's accounts for journeys to Arras and Rouen in 1435, to Normandy and Brittany in 1438, and to Normandy again in 1438. This last must have been when he was sent as ambassador to France, 17 Mar. 1438 (? 1439).

6 Nov. 1449; but his excuses were accepted, and William Tresham chosen in his place. The Parlt. of 1455-6, exempted him only partially from the Act of Resumption. His pension of 100 marks from the castle of Bueld, Heref., was reduced to 40 marks. He survived the revolution, and was pardoned 4 Oct. 1462.¹

D. 14 Apr. 1463, when Alice, aged 50, wife of William Harteshorn, was his heir. He held lands in chief in Hants and Wilts., and these passed ultimately to the four cohs. of his first cousin, Sir Stephen Popham (*q.v.*)²

POPHAM, Sir STEPHEN (1392/3-1444); of Popham, Hants.³ M.P. HAMPSHIRE 1420, 1423-4, 1425, 1431, 1442.

S. and h. of Henry Popham of the same, M.P. (*d.* 1418),⁴ by Jane; *m.* (1) 1417, Margaret, da. and h. of Nicholas Rede, by whom he had four cohs., and (2) Beatrice, da. of Sir John Bohun of Midhurst, who survived him, was the executrix of his will, and was pardoned, 5 Feb. 1446.⁵

Elector, Hants, always called knight, 1421, 1422, 1426, 1427, 1429, 1432, 1433, 1435, 1437; witnessed a deed concerning land in Knighton, Wilts., held of the grant of Henry⁶ Popham, 1424; J.P. Hants, 12 Feb. 1422 to 28 Oct. 1439, and 24 Nov. 1440 till death; sheriff of Hants, 1427-8; of Wilts., 1434-5; of Hants, 1440-1; sworn to the peace in Hants, 1434, and on every Hants comm. from 1431 to 1443. A muster was taken of his men, no doubt going to France, in July 1435, and he was owed 100 marks by the crown; pardoned 1437;³ he had also a house in Salisbury.⁷ On 4 June 1442 Popham was retained with 165 men at arms for the safe keeping of the seas,⁸ and payments were made to him for his soldiers' wages.⁹ He accounted during 1442-3 for money so spent and musters were taken of the soldiers and sailors under Miles Stapleton, John Heron and Popham.

D. 14 Nov. 1444;¹⁰ when Elizabeth the elder (18) wife of John Warren, Margery (10), Elizabeth yr. (6), and Alice (1½) were his das. and h. Lands—Popham, Farrington and Binstead, Hants.

PORMAD, THOMAS. M.P. Grimsby 1485.

This name is given by George Oliver in *The Memorials and Antiquities of Great Grimsby*. John Saynton and Stephen de la See also occur as members for Grimsby in this Parliament. As it has not been possible to trace, deduce or imagine "Pormad" anywhere, the name is probably incorrect.

PORTALYN THOMAS (1415-80/4); of Isleworth, Mdsx. Servant of the Earls of Warwick 1445-70; lawyer. M.P. Warwick boro' 1455-6.

The witnesses to a Tewkesbury Abbey charter, signed at Lambeth, Mar. 1441, were:—Mr. William Biconul, doctor of laws, Mr. Thomas Kent, doctor of laws, and Mr. John Nanfan, Mr. William Chount, and Mr. Thomas Porthalam, *literati*.¹¹ In Feb. 1445 Thomas Portalyne esq., servant to Earl of Warwick, was granted a

¹ Pardon Roll, 1462. "Late of South Hardeford, Hants, *alias* late of St. Sepulchre outside Newgate in the suburbs of London" (m.29).

² *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir John Popham—which, however, does not mention that he was M.P. in 1439-40, and gives the date of his death as 1463 or 1464.

³ Pardon Roll, June 1437, of Popham, knt. (m.14). ⁴ When his s. and h. was aged 25.

⁵ *Geneal. N.S.* xxviii. 14, 15. ⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 334. ⁷ *Tropenell Cart.* i. 151.

⁸ Issue Roll, 20 Hen. VI, No. 745. ⁹ *Exchq. Accts.* 53-36, 20 Henry VI.

¹⁰ The *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir John Popham, gives the date of Stephen's death as 1445/6. ¹¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1444), 271.

pension of £10 a year for life out of South Wales—confirmed after the Earl's death in 1447; pardoned with his wife Alice, late wife of Richard Shipley, 1446; apptd. customer of London, 24 May 1447;¹ he was paid 100 marks on 5 May 1449 which is accounted for on the Issue Roll. In London in 1453 when suing a merchant of Lucca about a bond concerning cloth of gold supplied to Harry, late duke of Warwick;² again pardoned as of London, Nov. 1455 and 10 Jan. 1458. His house was in Watling Street, London;³ and he was still receiver to Cecily, duchess of Warwick, in 1456/60.⁴ He was pardoned with the old officials, 15 Feb. 1462, "of London, gent., *alias* of Isleworth, Mdsx." Perhaps he lived in Dr. Somerseth's "great house" at Isleworth, for he and Thomas Frowick (*q.v.*) witnessed a deed concerning Somerseth's lands there in Sept. 1462.⁵ In Aug. 1468 he was suddenly accused of treason and complicity with Margaret of Anjou.⁶ He was arrested with Cook and Hugh Mille (*qq.v.*), but was lucky enough to be acquitted by an honest judge,⁷ and pardoned, 11 Nov. 1468.⁸ In 1471/2 he sued as late receiver general to Richard, earl of Warwick, for money which had not been delivered to him.⁹ He adhered to Warwick's Readeption government and was made J.P. Mdsx., 17 Jan. 1471 to Apr. Pardoned again by Edward IV, 2 Dec. 1471.¹⁰ In 1480/3, called esq., he sued to prevent the release of William Milner who, after robbing him in London, had been taken at Royston, Cambs.¹¹

He was dead in 1484 and Alice his wife was surviving in 2 Richard III, with Edmund his second son.¹² In 1488 Sir James Tyrell was seised of lands in South Wales called 'Portaleyn's lands',¹³ those no doubt from which he drew his £10 pension.

PORTER, JOHN (1420-90); of Worcester. M.P. Worcester city 1447.

Elector in the city 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1478, and in the county 1467. A John Porter, probably the same man, was one of the two bailiffs of Worcester in 1485. Williams says that he was probably an early member of a family long settled at Tapenhall in the parish of Claines.¹⁴

PORTER, JOHN (1425-80); of Teston, Kent. Shipmaster. M.P. Romney 1459.

In 1450 John Porter of Teston, Kent, took out a pardon for Cade's rising. In Feb. 1470 he was master of *le Trinity Warrewyk* (which sounds partisan), when he was ordered to take mariners for the ship to serve the King. He was paid by a grant for life of £20 a year out of Christchurch, 1 May 1470. In November the Readeption Government ordered John Porter, Master of the *Trinite*, at present in the Thames, to take mariners for the ship to serve the King (Henry) and the Earl of Warwick.

PORTER, THOMAS (1400-49); of Eastcote and Solihull, esq. M.P. WARWICKSHIRE 1431, 1439-40, 1447.

Elector 1432, 1435, 1437. As "of Escote esq." sworn to the peace in co.

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1447), 53.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 22/117.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1467), 24.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 24/484.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 508.

⁶ Worcester, *Annales*, 790.

⁷ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 460.

⁸ As late of London, gent., *alias* late of Isleworth.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 45/350.

¹⁰ "Of London, serjeant, *alias* merchant, late of Isleworth, Mdsx."

¹¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 61/543.

¹² *ibid.* 67/413, 417.

¹³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1488), 217.

¹⁴ Williams, *Worcestershire M.P.s.*

Warwick in 1434. Pardoned, June 1437, "of Solyhull, *alias* of Estcote, Warwick, esq."¹ In Oct. 1440 he surrendered the constableness of Gloucester, which had been granted to him by Duke Humphrey. Coroner, Warw., 1437; eschr., Warw. and Leics., 1446-7; sheriff, Warw. and Leics., 5 Nov. 1447 to 1 June 1448.

D. May 1449, when writs of *diem clausit* were issued. He left a son Baldwin,² and a widow Anne,³ who is described in the pardon roll of 1455 as of Little Oakley, N'hants., cousin and h. of Robert Strange esq. and cousin and h. of Henry s. and h. of William Prylly (m.8).

POTTE *alias* POTTER, EDWARD; of Duloe, Cornwall, yeoman. M.P. Truro 1449-50.

The pardon roll, 24 Oct. 1462, includes Edward Potter, "of the parish of Dulo, Cornwall, yeoman, surety for John Payn of South Bodnell, Cornwall, and others, *alias* Edward Potte" (m.10).

POTTERN, THOMAS (1430-85); ald. of Winchester. M.P. Winchester 1478.

He held various city offices from 1461, being cofferer, chamberlain and alderman; mayor 1472-3; subsequently auditor. A wealthy man, for his own house was rented at 40s.—very high for a private house—and he rented other premises as well; he was one of a group of citizens who in 1476 contributed by gift to the relief of city finance; one of four arbitrators appointed by the boromote to deal with a dispute between prominent citizens. He was also allowed 40s. for building a brick chimney to his house.⁴

POUND, Sir JOHN (1446⁵-1511); of Drayton, Hants, esq. M.P. Portsmouth 1472-5.

S. and h. of Thomas Pound M.P. (1410-76), by Mercy; m. (1) Elizabeth da. of Richard Holt (M.P. 1430); and (2) Amy da. of Julia Hammond, widow.⁶

Elector, Hants, 1467, 1472 when elected for Portsmouth, 1478; on Hants comms. from 1469, but on none under the Readeption or Richard III; one of those to muster at Southampton the troops for Brittany, June 1490; J.P. Hants, 22 Feb. 1493 till death; one of the exors. of the will of Thomas Langton, bp. of Winchester, May 1501; kntd. 14 Nov. 1501.⁷

D. 20 Sept. 1511, when William, aged 37, was s. and h. of Sir John and Elizabeth; land, Hants.⁸

POUNDE, THOMAS (1410-76); of Drayton, Hants, but from Yorks.⁹ Teller of the Exchequer 1437-76; customer of London 1443-50; customer of Southampton 1446-76. M.P. HAMPSHIRE 1450-1.

¹ Pardon Roll, 1437 (m.18).

² 1449/57, Baldwin, s. of Thomas Porter, sued Richard, s. of Thomas Archer, for land in Estcote.

³ Dec. 1449, Anne, widow of Thomas Porter, Thomas Arblastre the elder (*q.v.*) and Alice his w., Reynold Arneburgh (*q.v.*) and others, conveyed land in, and the church of, Mancestre, Warw., to Merevale Abbey.

⁴ All *ex inf.* J. S. Furley.

⁵ Aged 30 and more at his father's death.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 73/29.

⁷ Shaw, *Knights*, ii. 33.

⁸ Inq. *p.m.* 2 Hen. VIII, No. 19.

⁹ The Captain of Bavelingham must be the Teller of the Exchequer as is shown by the 1446 pardon. Therefore the Teller came originally from Yorks.

Thomas Pounde, gent., of Hants, was in the King's Household in 1433;¹ and he was already clerk of the receipt of the exchequer in July 1437, when given licence to ship wool from Boston. Pardoned, 1437, as "of Yorkshire, exor. of Richard Bokeland, fishmonger of London, *alias* captain of the castle of Bavelingham in Picardy" (m.3).² On Hants comms. 1435-53, largely musters in which the Treasury were concerned. Drayton, Hants, may have been his wife's inheritance as it was settled on Thomas and Mercy, 26 Jan. 1447. But we do not doubt that this Hampshire squire was the teller of the exchequer, 1437-76, who appears on every membrane of the Issue Rolls for forty years. The pay of each of the four tellers was only 3*d.* a day, but there were extras. From 1443 to 1446³ he was one of the collrs. of customs and subsidy in London. From Mich. 1444 he had a £10 pension for life, "for service as Teller within the Receipt of the Exchequer." He was one of the four tellers at the coronation, 1445.⁴ The pardon roll of 1446 shows Pounde as controller of customs and subsidy in Southampton and controller of the receipt of the exchequer, and that Richard Buckland, whose exor. he was, had been treasurer and victualler of Calais (m.21). He was controlling the customs both of London and Southampton in 1449; was selling the crown jewels for Household wages in 1451; pardoned in 1452, he is described as "of London, gent., *alias* of Drayton"; pardoned in 1458, as "Teller at the Receipt of the Exchequer, *alias* Collector of subsidies at Southampton" (m.39). Livery as a teller was delivered to him under Edward IV as under Henry VI and he remained teller and controller of customs till death. He was pardoned as customer of Southampton in 1468—"of London, gent., and of Drayton" in 1469, and in 1472 as "Collector of subsidy and customs *alias* of Drayton, Hants, esq." (m.21). They made him J.P. Hants, 8 July 1461 till death, and he was an elector in Hants 1472.

D. 23 Nov. 1476, when John, aged 30, was his s. and h. This son, Sir John Pound (1446-1511) was M.P. for Portsmouth and was also in the King's service.

POUTRELL, THOMAS (1435-92); of Braideston, Derbys. Lawyer. M.P. Lostwithiel 1478.

Kinsman and h. of Richard Poutrell; m. Katherine sister or sister-in-law of John Catton;⁵ she survived him.

A Derbyshire elector, 1460; pardoned, 20 July 1463;⁶ J.P. Derbys., of the quorum, 30 Nov. 1470 to 12 Dec. 1484; exor. of the will of John Grey, canon of the free chapel of St. Stephens within the palace of Westminster, July 1477; therefore probably nominated from Westminster for Lostwithiel; on Derbys. comms. of assessment, Apr. and Aug. 1483, and of array, 1 May 1484.

D. shortly before 6 June 1492.

POWERS (POERS), JOHN (1405-60); of Warwick. M.P. Warwick boro' 1449-50, 1450-1.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 12/10.

² See note 9 on p. 695.

³ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

⁴ *Enr. Accts.* 361/6.

⁵ £40 was owed to the exors. of Thomas Poutrell, *viz.* Katherine his widow and John Catton his bro.-in-law; Derbys.; 9 May 1492.

⁶ Pardon Roll, 1463, as of Braidyston, *alias* kinsman and heir of Richard Poutrell, late Receiver of Edw. IV lands beyond Trent (m.12).

In 1435 John Poers was one of those commissioned to arrest a butcher of Warwick. In 1439 John Poers and Margaret his wife, da. and coh. of William Fasenam, sued the exor. of Fasenam's widow, who was also husband of Alice the other da. and coh., for lands in the fields of Derby.¹ John Poers was an elector of Warwick in 1467.

POY (PEYE),³ SIMON (1405-60); of Salisbury, mercer.² M.P. Salisbury 1455-6.

He was churchwarden of St. Edmunds, 1446, and occurs in the churchwarden's accounts in 1432 and 1455.² Richard Parys of London, grocer, owed Simon Poy 54s. in 1430.³ The Simon Poye was mayor of Salisbury, 2 Nov. 1452 to 2 Nov. 1454.⁴ The return in 1455 calls him "Peye".

POYNINGS, Hon. ROBERT (1419-61); of Maidstone, Kent. M.P. SUSSEX 1450-1. Yorkist.

Second s. of Robert, lord Poynings⁵ (*d.* 1446); by Isabel da. of Reynold, lord Grey of Ruthyn; *m.* Elizabeth da. of Sir William Paston the judge (*d.* 1444), by whom he had Edward Poynings, the lord Deputy of Ireland, 1459-1521. The widow *rem.* (1471) Sir George Browne M.P. and *d.* 1 Feb. 1488.

Heads the list of Sussex electors, 1449. Next year the aristocrat constituted himself "carver" or alternatively "sword-bearer" to Jack Cade.⁶ As such he saved the life of John Payn at the risk of his own.⁷ When Cade fell, Poynings was elected for Sussex, evidence of remarkable sympathy with Cade's rising in that county. It is to be presumed that he sat in safety, endearing himself "to good men's hearts" in Parliament; but, for new trouble or the old, he was committed to the Tower 1451/2. Thence he petitioned the Privy Council—owing to his imprisonment he had failed to appear before the justices in Kent on a charge of treason, and his lands had been forfeited in consequence. Whereupon the Privy Council—another remarkable illustration of sympathy—restored his lands, and he was pardoned, 14 Aug. 1452, "late of Maidstone and Croydon", but bound to the peace in £2,000 for which John Bamme M.P. and others went surety.

The Lancastrian Parlt. of 1453-4 took a more serious view of Poynings. A special Act was passed for his arrest, who had been "carver and sword-bearer to Jack Cade leading a rising in Southwark in 1453."⁸ Or, as Stow puts it, "hath still persevered in his wickedness, and of late (in 1453) hath assembled numbers of men at North Cray and Framlingham (?); wherefor we proclaim him traitor";⁹ a comn. was issued for his arrest, 29 May 1454, "as it is said he goes about the country to stir up rebellion." But Paston reports 29 June 1454:—"Master Poynings hath a day till the next term by a remaynder. Many a good man's heart he hath."¹⁰ A year later, after St. Albans, 7 July 1455, "as for tydyngs Poynings is qwynt of all tresons." This more splendid precursor of Wilkes and Liberty was

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 9/111.

² *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1430), 22.

⁴ Benson & Hatcher, *Old and New Sarum*, pp. 134-5.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 13/102.

⁶ *Paston Letters*, i. 133n; *Rot. Parl.* v. 396.

⁷ Payn was brought to the Captain's tent where an axe and block were produced. But . . . Robert Poynings . . . declared plainly that there should die a hundred or two others if Payn were put to death (Gairdner, *Paston Letters*, ed. 1904, 77).

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* v. 396.

⁹ Stow, *Chronicle*, 402.

¹⁰ *Paston Letters*, i. 294.

pardoned as "of Southwark esq." 6 Aug. 1455, and again on 28 Jan. 1458; and the King went further, for on 14 May 1458 they cancelled his £2,000 bond.

When the Earls came, Poynings was "in favour with the King, the Earls of March, of Warwick and of Salisbury," 12 Oct. 1460,¹ and they made the rebel J.P. of Norfolk, 24 Nov. 1460. But he died fighting at Dunstable on the Watling Street for the Yorkist cause and for the people of London, 3 Feb. 1461.

The Lord Deputy is an early case of hereditary ability springing from the abnormal.

POYNTZ POYNYS), JOHN (1420-66); of Nympsfield, Glos.; Judge Fortescue's servant. M.P. Exeter 1447.

S. of Nicholas Poyntz of the same, living 1440, by Elizabeth² da. of Sir Edward Mill, of Harescombe, Glos.; *m.* Alice.

In 1444/5, at the special instance of John Fortescue C.J., Robert Aspare and John Poyntz were admitted to repasts in Lincoln's Inn, whenever the said Judge shall be present;³ an Essex elector, 1447 and 1467 (*i.e.*, he never went to Exeter to get elected); on comns. in Essex, 1452, and in Glos., Mar. 1460 (Lancastrian); a feoffee in Essex for Sir Thomas Tyrell M.P. in 1452. In 1457 licence was issued to Thomas Poyntz esq. to grant to Nicholas Poyntz and to John Poyntz esq. and Alice his wife and the heirs of Nicholas Poyntz, one-half of the manor of Nymesfeld, Glos., and for them to grant the same to Thomas Poyntz, with remainder to the right heirs of Nicholas. In 1463 he was an apportioner of the subsidy in Glos.⁴

He was recently dead 13 Dec. 1466,⁵ and in June 1467 the custody of the lands of John Poyntz esq., decd., and the custody and marriage of Robert his s. and h., were granted to Thomas Herbert esq. (*q.v.*), for 200 marks. Robert had licence to enter, Oct. 1471. Long after, in 1493, Robert Poyntz knt., s. and h. of John Poyntz esq., s. and h. of Nicholas Poyntz and Elizabeth, obtained a ratification of the final concord of 1440 given below.²

PRALLE see PRAWLE.

PRATT, RICHARD. M.P. Wilton 1453-4.

No Pratts occur at this time in the Salisbury churchwarden's accounts, but a Richard Pratt *alias* Butler, of Hatfield-Broad oak, Essex, yeoman, *alias* porter, was pardoned, 30 Jan. 1459 (m.37). If yeoman does mean Yeoman of the Crown or Chamber, then this yeoman is the possible identification.

PRATT, RICHARD (1400-60); of Canterbury. M.P. Canterbury 1425, 1431, 1432, 1455-6.

He was mayor of Canterbury in 1456,⁶ and occurs in the will of William Southlonde of Faversham in 1457.⁷

PRATT, THOMAS. M.P. Ludlow 1491-2.

Such a man was commissioned, 2 May 1491, to purvey wagons for the carriage

¹ *Paston Letters*, i. 527.

² By fine in 1440 between Nicholas Poyntz and Elizabeth his wife and James Berkeley knt. and Isabel his wife, deforciant, Brokenburgh and Daglingworth, near Cirencester, were sold to Nicholas Poyntz for 300 marks.

³ *Black Books of Lincoln's Inn*, 15.

⁴ Fine Roll, 3 Ed. IV.

⁵ Mandate to eschr. of Glos. for Inq. *p.m.* (Fine Roll, 6 Edw. IV, m.22).

⁶ Hasted, *Kent*, xii. 605.

⁷ *Arch. Cant.* xi. 372.

of Ordnance and Artillery from the Tower of London to Dartmouth.¹ But he occurs nowhere else—not even in Salop.

PRAWLE (PRALLE), JOHN (1420-72); of Totnes. M.P. Totnes 1449 (1).
Perhaps s. of John Prawle by Jane.²

Admitted to the guild at Totnes, 1444. Thomas Gille (*q.v.*) and John Pralle paid half a mark for a writ, 1446.³ He witnessed a deed, together with the mayor, provost and ten others, in 1447; and he was a collector of the rate in 1448. From 1448 to 1450 he was continually assessed "without the East Gate." Mayor of Totnes, 1460-1; 1470-1; and continually a witness till that time.⁴ In 1467/72 he was suing John Hakewell for land in Ashprington, leased from the late Prior of Totnes.⁵

D. shortly before 15 Oct. 1472, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Devon.⁶

PRESTON, JOHN (1430-85); of London. King's servant. M.P. Stafford boro' 1467-8.

In 1450 the King's serjeant, John Preston, groom of the chandlery, was granted the keeping of Whittlewood, N'hants. In 1465 he and Thomas Preston (*q.v.*) were trespassed against in Mdsx. Both were probably dependants of the Duke of Buckingham. General pardon, 1482, to John Preston, late of London, yeoman (? of the Crown), for all offences prior to 1480. We can trace no connection with the judge who *d. c.* 1430.⁷

PRESTON, STEPHEN (1425-74); of Catherston and Silton, Dorset; lawyer.

M.P. Lyme Regis 1467-8, (? 1470-1), 1472 till death. Yorkist.

M. Maud (*d.* 1497), widow of John Bydyk.⁸

Pardoned 1452, "of Caterston, Dorset, gent., *alias* late of London, gent." (m.32); eschr., Som. and Dorset, 1455-6; pardoned all treasons, 7 Mar. 1460; made constable of Bridgwater, Nov. 1460, confirmed, 7 Mar. 1461. In 1466 Silton was settled on him and Maud his wife for life, remainder to Humphrey Pokeswell and Elizabeth his wife, as da. of John Bydyk.⁸ Pardoned, Mar. 1469, "of Carston, esq., *alias* of London, gent." (m.6). Called King's servt., he was granted a yearly fair in his manor of Cricket, Som., 1467; and as King's servt. he had licence to ship wool from Poole uncoketted, May 1469. Pardoned, 1472, "of Silton, esq., of Carston, gent., late of London" (m.28).

D. 27 Apr. 1474, when John Preston, aged 18, was his s. and h. Will, dat. 22 Feb., pr. 20 May 1474.⁹ His wife *d.* 1497. The heirs of her Dorset lands,

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1491), 356.

² In 1440, Jane, late wife and exix. of John Prawle, sued Richard Wolston, gent., late of London, for rents in Bovey Tracy and Great Totnes (*Early Chan. Proc.* 9/66).

³ Fine Roll, 25 Hen. VI (m.19).

⁴ J. J. Alexander, from the Totnes Records.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 40/2.

⁶ Fine Roll, 11 Edw. IV (m.23).

⁷ Foss, *Judges*, iv. 354.

⁸ Dorset, *Feet of Fines*, 405.

⁹ To be bur. in Friars Minor, London. Bequests to St. Mary's, Salisbury, "my moder church"; to Silton, to Mynchyn-Buklands, Som., to Ford Abbey, Devon (then in Devon, now in Dorset), and to So. Malling, Sussex, where a yearly mass should be said for himself and Maude his w., for William Woodward and Richard Preston. To John his s., tenements at Charmouth, Dorset, and his books called *Bonaventur*, *Pater Noster* and *Boys de consolatio* and other books of sophistry, logic and law. Gifts to Elizabeth and Avys his das. and to Elizabeth Pokeswell and Isabel Bydyk his wife's das. by her first husband John Bydyk. Exors.:—w. Maud and William Wadham (P.C.C., 14 Wattys).

Elizabeth Poxswell (50), and Isabel Bydyk (40). Heir in Somerset her s. John Preston (30).

PRESTON, THOMAS (1425-90); of London, esq.; King's servant. M.P. Wallingford 1453-4.

Perhaps son of William Preston, M.P. Stafford (1400-55), and brother of John Preston, M.P. Stafford 1467, servant of the duke of Buckingham.

He occurs on an Essex comn. in 1450, and must have been a King's servant of some sort when granted, in Apr. 1455, the custody of the water of Fosse by York. This he had to surrender in Feb. 1459 to Roger Thorpe (M.P.); as Thomas Preston of London, gent., he was pardoned outlawry for debt in 1458; an elector in Herts. 1455. With John Preston he was suing for trespass in Mdsx. in 1465; elector, Oxon., 1472; and in 1486 Thomas Preston was sued for land in Culworth, N'hants., which had been demised to him, *temp.* Edward IV, by William Pierson while *non compos mentis*.¹

PRESTON, WILLIAM (1400-50/5); of Stafford and London, gent. M.P. Stafford 1426, 1449-50.

In 1444 William Preston, citizen of London, was a feoffee of lands in Rotherhithe, and in 1445 a William Preston had a tenement of late in Stafford; an elector for Staffordshire in 1449 (2) when elected for the borough. In 1455 Margaret da. of William Preston sued Dan William Ware, clerk, feoffee of William Preston's father, for lands in London and in Staffordshire.² So that William Preston was dead in 1455, and the London and Staffordshire men were one and the same.

PROUT, JOHN (1420-95); of Reading and Streatley, Berks. Merchant of the Staple; victualler of Calais 1469-71. M.P. Reading 1453-4, 1460-1; BERKSHIRE 1467-8; Reading 1472-5.

M. Elizabeth, da. of Richard Osborne.³

As mercht. of the staple he had lent money to the King, still unpaid in 1454 when given licence to ship uncustomed wool to Calais; one of the Reading burgesses who were to have robes to ride *erga regem*, Jan. 1453.⁴ That same month he entered the guild-merchant of Reading, paying nothing to the guild because he is a major burgess. So the major burgess was able to be elected to Parlt. for Reading. He was one of the three elected for Mayor, but not selected by the Abbot, 1 Oct. 1456. After the Yorkists came, he was on a gaol delivery at Wallingford, but chiefly at Calais. In Oct. 1462 he was lieut. to John Thirsk (*q.v.*), mayor of the staple there. Prout was one of the embassy sent to Burgundy in May 1469,⁵ and himself mayor of the staple and victualler of Calais, 1469-71;⁶ Thomas Prout, perhaps his bro., was sheriff of Berks. 1469-70. He was pardoned by the Readeption govt., 22 Feb. 1471, as "of Stretley, Berks., esq., *alias* merchant of staple of Calais", and in the Parlt. of 1472-5 he and Stokes and Keston are noted as having been repaid their advances and handed over the pledged jewels.⁷ He was again on a Picardy comn. in June 1472, and was apparently alive still in 1492.⁸ Bur. in Streatley church.

¹ *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. 86.

⁴ *Reading Diaries*, i. 40.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 55.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 25/97.

⁵ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 485.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1492), 413.

³ *V.C.H. Berks.* iii.

⁶ *Exchr. Accts.* 197. 10 & 12.

PROUT (PRUDDE), WILLIAM (1400-60). M.P. Hindon 1449-50.

William Prout was the bishop's reeve in Downton in 1443,¹ and may have come from Somerset where such a man was owed £2 in 1434. A William Prout was rector of Wraxhall from 1455-67.² At least he was the bishop's man.

PUDSEY, (Sir) RICHARD (1455-99); of Pinhoe, Wilts.; lawyer. Serjt. of the cellar 1485-7; esq. and knt. of the Body 1488-99. M.P. Devizes 1491-2.

S. of John Pudsey of Arnforth, Yorks.;³ *m.* (1) Annes from Bucks.,⁴ (2) by 1496, Jane, widow of Thomas Say and da. and coh. of John Cheyne of Pynne (Pinhoe), Wilts. She was "of the King's kindred" (being 3rd cousin once removed) and *d.* 9 Sept. 1503.⁵

Admtd. Lincoln's Inn 1473;⁶ made by Henry VII, serjeant of the Cellar, 1485, with frequent rewards of £20; bailiff of Tickhill, Yorks., 1 Mar. 1486;⁷ he provided stuff for the disguising at court at Twelfth Night and Michaelmas, 1486;⁸ while "in northern parts by the King's command", he was robbed and spoiled of his horses by rebels and traitors; but he was compensated out of the customs of Bristol, 25 May 1486;⁹ licence to export 500 qrs. of corn, 8 Mar. 1487;¹⁰ made squire of the body and ceased to be serjt. of the cellar 1487/8.¹¹ He was seised in fee of 300 acres round Devizes which Sir Roger Tocotes (*q.v.*) held for life.¹² Eschr., Som. and Dorset, 1489-90; at the reception of the French Ambassador, 1492; sheriff of Wilts., 1494-5; sheriff of Somerset and Dorset 1497-8; sheriff of Warw. and Leics. 1498 till death. Grant intail male to Richard Pudsey, squire of the Body, and Jane, late wife of Thomas Say, of Hampton-in-Arden, forfeited by Sir Simon Montfort (*q.v.*) 1496. Kntd. at Blackheath, 17 June 1497.¹³

D. 24 Aug. 1499, when Elizabeth, aged 4, was his da. and h.; lands—Wilts.

PULHAM, GODARD (1405-60); of Winchelsea; draper and shipowner. Customer of Chichester, 1437-47. M.P. Winchelsea 1431, 1432, 1449 (1).

Presumably descended from John Pulham, M.P. Winchelsea 1388; *m.* (2) by 1445 Agnes widow of John Walpole of London.¹⁴

In 1433/4 he shipped "the lords of the King's retinue" to France;¹⁵ was surety for John Cook of Chichester, his fellow customer, 1436; on Kent and Sussex comms. 1435 to 1450, dealing mostly with the arrest of ships and piracy; pardoned, 27 July 1437, as "of Winchelsea, merchant, late customer of Chichester." He was collector of customs and subsidy in Chichester 1437-47, perhaps earlier. With Thomas Pope he was seizing ships in 1437, and he was pardoned all arrears

¹ Pipe Rolls of bp. of Winchester, Eccl. 2/159435. P.R.O.

² *Ex inf.* Miss Bates Harbin.

³ *Visitn. Yorks.*

⁴ 1475/85, Richard Braytoft & Julia his wife sued Richard Pudsey and Annes his wife, for the detention of deeds of a messuage in Amersham, Bucks. (*Early Chan. Proc.* 58/176).

⁵ *Ex inf.* Storey-Maskelyne.

⁶ In 1482/3 he was put out of commons for playing cards outside the Inn; readmitted on fine and submission (*Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, 76).

⁷ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 165, 327.

⁸ *ibid.* i. 327.

⁹ *ibid.* i. 441.

¹⁰ *ibid.* ii. 129.

¹¹ *Exchq. Accts.* 2-3 Henry VII.

¹² *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. 369; ii. 479.

¹³ Shaw, *Knights*, ii. 29.

¹⁴ Various trustees, including Pulham, came to the Court of Aldermen in London, and were bound in £93 for the property of the minor children of John Walpole, bracier, whose widow, Agnes, Godard Pulham, draper, had married, 1445 (*Letter Book K.* 284).

¹⁵ Issue Rolls, 1439.

and offences as collector of customs in 1443, including non-residence in the said offices. Mayor of Winchelsea 1446;¹ victualling Crotoy, June 1442; victualling the bastille of Dieppe with a balinger, July 1443.² In 1443/4 Godard Pulham of Winchelsea was sued for 8 messuages and land in Playden, Fairlight, Ore and Udimore, which John Godray and Jane his wife hold for life.³ The Issue rolls call him "late customer of Chichester", 18 July 1447, and he does not appear in the rolls thereafter. A ship belonging to him was seized at Chichester with its wool and merchandise on board, Aug. 1448; pardoned, 16 Oct. 1455, as "of Winchelsea, merchant, late customer of Chichester" (m.19); and the last heard of him is in Nov. 1455, when he and Robert Scrase (q.v.) were owed 40s. in Sussex.

PULHAM, HAMOND (1415-70); of Yarmouth. M.P. Yarmouth 1447, 1455-6, 1461-2.

He was bailiff of Yarmouth when he returned himself in 1455; a J.P. of the same 14 June 1459 till death; placed on a piracy comn. there, 8 May 1460, and his arrest ordered 19 days later. He and John Codling, both "late bailiffs", both "*alias* late one of the burgesses of Gt. Yarmouth", were pardoned 1 Nov. 1462 (m.15). And he was a pledge for the Yarmouth M.P.s in 1467.

PULLESDON, WILLIAM (1400-60); of Worcester, gent. M.P. Worcester city 1432, 1433, 1453-4.

Perhaps s. of a William Pullesdon to whom the bp. demised lands in Wyke (Droitwich) in 1410.⁴ He was a feoffee for the Cokesey family by 1426,⁵ and for the Lord Talbot in 1437.⁶ Bailiff of Worcester 1442; elector 1437, 1449 (1), 1449 (2), and for the county in 1453 when elected for the city. He was pardoned, 1 July 1446 as "of Worcester, gent." (m.32); and he was dead in 1462, when Thomas Pullesdon, his s. and h. was being sued for land in co. Worcester.⁷

PURY (PIRIE), JOHN (1415-80); of Chamberhouse in Thatcham, Berks.; of the Household 1442-55. M.P. Bridport 1447;⁸ OXFORDSHIRE 1449 (1); BERKSHIRE 1472-5.

S. and h. of Thomas Pury, a servant of Henry IV, by Maud da. of William Atmore; *m.* (1) Elizabeth, sis. of "Sir" John Sysley; and (2) Isabel, da. of ——— Wawne of Beverley, Yorks. About 1480 Anne his da. and h. by Isabel, *m.* William Danvers C.J., who had Chamberhouse.⁹

John Pury accounted in 1442 for the expenses of the embassy from the Count of Armagnac.¹⁰ He was paid at the Exchequer as "of the King's household" 1442-5; one of the collectors of customs in London, Jan. 1449-51.¹¹ On Berks. comns. from 1449 till the Lancastrian array in Dec. 1459; eschr., Berks. and Oxon., 1450-1; J.P. Berks., 13 Feb. 1448 to 24 June 1449, and 22 Mar. 1452 to 28 Feb. 1463. John Pury, King's squire, had licence to crenellate Chamberhouse, Berks., and to empark 350 acres, and to have infangthef and outfangthef and free warren and view of frankpledge there, Nov. 1466.¹² He was ordered, as "serjeant of the

¹ W. D. Cooper, *Winchelsea*. ² *Privy Coun. Proc.* v. 301. ³ *Sussex Record Soc.* xxiii. 257.

⁴ Nash, *Worcestershire*, ii. 311.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1445), 391.

⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 402.

⁷ *Geneal.* xix. 23.

⁸ It would appear that both Members for Bridport in 1447 were named or recommended from London.

⁹ *Visitn. Oxon.* 189.

¹⁰ *Err. Accts.* F. 20 H. VI, A.

¹¹ Issue Rolls.

¹² *Cal. Char. Rolls*, vi. 72.

avenary", to take hay and oats for six months for the Household in July 1449; pardoned in 1446¹ for trespass in Berks., 1450, and again 1452;² as King's avener he was pardoned all debts by reason of his office, June 1451; a founder of the guild for the upkeep of Maidenhead bridge, Dec. 1452; named as avener in the list of the King's household 1454; pardoned, Oct. 1455, and 1459.³ When the Yorkists came he got a general pardon in July 1461 of all offences before June last. And he was again on the pardon roll, 19 Nov. 1468, with further aliases.⁴

He must have joined with Warwick and Clarence, for in Apr. 1470 a comn. was issued to seize his possessions, but he was pardoned almost immediately afterwards in May 1470. He does not appear on the pardon rolls of 1471 and 1472, but he was a feoffee, still living, of Aldermaston, Berks., in Feb. 1473, and at that time he was sitting as knt. of the shire for Berks. He was alive 1480.⁵

One must distinguish this man from the John Pury, sheriff of Kent in 1434, and M.P. for Kent in 1433, and for Dover in 1435.

PUTT (*alias* CORNISH), JOHN (1430-85); of Winchester, draper. M.P. Winchester 1467-8.

There was a John Putte of Winchester in 1433 and a Henry Putt who was pledge for Winchester M.P.s in 1449 (2) and 1453; either might be his father. John Putte was bailiff of the city 1466; mayor 1476-7; auditor and one of the XXIV 1477-83. He was pardoned, 23 Jan. 1472, "citizen and draper of Winchester, *alias* tailor, *alias* John Cornysse, tailor or draper"; elector, Winchester, 1478. Another evidence that Putts or Pitts came from Cornwall.

PUTT, JOHN (1430-95); of Lincoln, gent. M.P. Lincoln city 1467-8.

Perhaps s. of John Putt, sheriff of Lincoln 1442. He was sheriff 1465-6; mayor 1486-7; and in Oct. 1485 John Putt, gent., of Lincoln, was pardoned for not appearing.

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QUAINTON, ROBERT (1410-70); of Devizes, gent.; lawyer. M.P. Devizes 1467-8.

A feoffee of the will of Sir John Drayton of Oxfordshire in 1433/42;⁶ attorney for Thomas, abbot of Oseney, on the plea rolls of 1439; elector, Oxon., 1442; pardoned, 20 Jan. 1458, "late of Devizes" (m. 42).

QUARTERMAINE (QUATREMAYNs), RICHARD (1393-1477); of Rycote and North Weston, esq.;⁷ customer and controller of London 1422-45; steward of Woodstock 1467-77; P.C. 1474. M.P. OXFORDSHIRE 1432, 1433, 1472-5.

3rd and yst. s. of Thomas Quartermaine (d. 6 May 1399) of North Weston, by Jane, da. of Sir Robert FitzEllis of Waterperry, Oxon. (she rem. John Creedie); m. Sibyl (1400-83) eld. da. and coh. of Nicholas Englefield (d. 1 April 1415) by

¹ As serjt. of the avenary of the King's household, *alias* of Thachham, Berks., *alias* of Chamberhouse, Berks.

² Pardon Roll, 1452, of Chamberhouse, Berks., *alias* King's avener (m.22).

³ Pardon Roll, 1459, as of Chamberhouse, Berks., late avener to the King, late eschr. of Oxon. (m.37).

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1468, as of Chamberhouse, Berks., esq., *alias* of Houghton, Bucks., late eschr. late avener to Henry VI, late collector of subsidies, etc. in London.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 66/358.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 38/39.

⁷ Pardon Rolls, 1455 etc.

Jane Rycote of Rycote ; by whom he had a s. who d. *v.p.* Richard Fowler (*q.v.*), Chancellor of the Duchy, was his wife's sister's son.¹

He succeeded to some lands in Oxon. 1414,² appears as a suitor in London, 1421;³ comnr., London, Oxon.,⁴ Cornwall, Essex, Berks., Bucks., 1421-73; apptd. controller of the subsidy of 3s. a tun on wine and 1s. in the £ on imports in the port of London, to execute the office during pleasure and in person, 6 Feb. 1422, the appointment being renewed (during pleasure), 8 Feb. 1423.⁵ By 1425 he held lands in Shirburn, Rycote, North Weston, Oxon., and in Toddington, Beds., and in Corston, Wilts.;⁶ by 1427 he had bought Shirburn castle from the earl of Warwick. He lived at Rycote.⁷

J.P. Oxon., of the quorum, 10 Nov. 1432 to 21 Nov. 1436, 23 Nov. 1437 to 14 Nov. 1470, and 12 June 1471 till death; eschr., Oxon. and Bucks., 1434-5 sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 1436-7, 1454-5; an exor. of Thomas Polton, bp. of Worcester, and of Richard Bokeland, treasurer and victualler of Calais, 1439;⁸ pardoned, as King's squire, of all offences, 4 Mar. 1440. William Lynd took his place as customer, Sept. 1445; licensed to found a guild and chantry of St. Christopher in Thame Church, 12 Dec. 1447;⁹ apptd. controller and collector of subsidy of tunnage and poundage in the port of London with £20 a year, to hold by deputy for life, 6 Dec. 1448;¹⁰ J.P. Berks., 24 June 1449 to 22 Mar. 1452; elector, Oxon., 1450; a surveyor of pontage in Wheatley, Oxon., 19 Feb. 1451;¹¹ apportioner of subsidy 1463; appears, with Richard Fowler, nephew and remainder man of his wife's estate (*q.v.*), as joint steward of Woodstock, Oxon., they being exempted from the Act of Resumption in respect of this office, 1467;¹² a grantee of Lord Beaumont's lands in Oxon., Cambs., and Norfolk, 13 July 1467;¹³ J.P. Oxford town, 30 Dec. 1472 till death; apptd. with Fowler, both, "King's councillors," as joint steward of Woodstock for life, 16 Feb. 1474;¹⁴ apptd., during pleasure, a surveyor of the castle and lordship of Windsor, and lordship of Woodstock, etc., 24 Feb. 1476.¹⁵

¹ F. G. Lee, *Hist., &c., of Thame Church*, 291 *et. seq.* Quartermaine's 1st bro. was John (*d. s.p.* 1408), the 2nd was Guy (*d. s.p.* 1414). ² *Ex inf.* W. Fowler Carter.

³ A comn. inquired into a complaint of his that "a manifest error has intervened in the record and process and judgment of suit" before Whittington, late Mayor, and the sheriffs, concerning a message in St. Mary's Breadstreet; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1421), 327, 419-20.

⁴ From 1431 and including the Lancastrian comn. of array, 21 Dec. 1459.

⁵ As from 1st Sept. 1422. "He is to write his rolls with his own hand, stay there continually, and do no work by deputy", *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1422), 410; *ibid.* (1423), 58.

⁶ *Cal. Feudal Aids.* ⁷ *Ex inf.* Dr. Salter.

⁸ The exors. included Thomas Pound (*q.v.*), and received a general discharge, 11 July 1439; *ibid.* (1439), 290.

⁹ The other founders were the Archbp. of Canterbury, the Bp. of Lincoln, the Duke of Buckingham, the Marquis of Suffolk, William, lord Lovell, Sir Ralph Cromwell, Sir Ralph Sudeley, Drew Barantine (*q.v.*) and Sibyl, Quartermain's wife; *ibid.* (1447), 180-1.

¹⁰ "... for good service to Henry V and the King (Henry VI) in the offices of controller and collector of the subsidy of tunnage and poundage in the port of London for twenty-four years"; he is to have "£20 a year by way of reward" from the subsidy; *ibid.* (1448), 221.

¹¹ The surveyors included Drew Barantine (*q.v.*); *ibid.* (1451), 413.

¹² *Rot. Parl.*, v. 588. Fowler was Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster.

¹³ The grantees included John Leynton (M.P. Lincoln 1450), (Sir) William Hampton, and Fowler (*qq.v.*); *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1467), 40-1, 26. ¹⁴ *ibid.* (1474), 422.

¹⁵ The surveyors included Fowler, John Broke (M.P. Worcester 1460, &c.), Hugh Fenne (*qq.v.*), and the Bp. of Salisbury; *ibid.* (1476), 573-4.

D. 6 Sept. 1477; Thomas Danvers (40) gt. nephew (*q.v.*), Richard Boteler (30) gt. nephew (*q.v.*), Alice (57) (Walrond) (niece), Richard Rous (30) gt. nephew, Margaret (53) (Fetyplace) (niece), and Sibyl (50), wife of Humphrey Forster (*q.v.*) (niece), were his heirs;¹ bur. in his chantry in Thame Church—M.I.² Sibyl Quartermaine d. 22 May 1483, her h. being her gt. nephew, Richard Fowler, aged 17, s. and h. of Richard Fowler (*q.v.*).³

He was the oldest commoner to sit in Parliament in the 15th century.

RABETT (RABBES), WILLIAM (1430–80); of Dunwich. M.P. Dunwich 1472–5.⁴

Perhaps s. of John Rabett, bailiff of Dunwich 1453–4. William was a Dunwich elector 1453, 1467, 1472 then bailiff, 1478 heading the list; bailiff of Dunwich 1468–9, 1471–2, 1474–5, being elected M.P. while bailiff. He and Thomas Danvers were feoffees for Merton Coll., Oxon., in two manors in Essex. Another William Rabett sat on a Dunwich gaol delivery in 1514.

RACY, ADAM (1395–1458); of Leicester. M.P. Leicester boro' 1431, 1447, 1449–50.

Bailiff of Leicester 1427–8; mayor 1435–6, 1440–1; steward of the fair 1449–50; elector, Leics., 1442, and of the boro' 1432, 1435, 1437, 1450, 1453. In 1442 John Mardeley gent. and William and John Hardewyn sued Adam Racy of Leicester and others for a messuage and land in Sutton and Bennington, Notts. and Leics.⁵ In 1445 Richard Knytteford of Coventry conveyed to Adam Racy a messuage in St. Leonard's parish, Leicester.⁶ On 12 Nov. 1459 the records of Leicester refer to Adam Racy as "now dead". His widow Elizabeth was still living a few years later.⁷

RADCLIFFE, ALEXANDER (1415–75); of Ordsall. M.P. LANCASHIRE 1455–6.

S. and h. of John Radcliffe of Ordsall (*d.* 1442); *m.* Agnes da. of Sir William Harington of Hornby, Lancs., when half Flixton was settled on him by his father.

Elector, Lancs., 1437 and 1442; in 1451 he charged Hyde and others with the death of his bro. Hugh; on a Lancs. comm. to allot archers, Dec. 1457; named as exor. in the will of Thomas Harington of Hornby, Lancs., dat. 1459, wherein there is a bequest to Isabel da. of Alexander Radcliffe and Agnes "my sister" of 40 marks from the £40 owed to Harington by Radcliffe.⁸ He was exempted from resumption in 1464 in respect of a crown grant of 20 marks a year.⁹

D. Apr. 1475.¹⁰

¹ Inq. *p.m.*, 17 Edw. IV, no. 44; Lee, *Thame Church*, 299, n. 9. Lands—Bucks., London, Oxon. and Wilts. Alice was the wife of Thomas Walrond, and Sibyl the wife of Humphrey Forster (*qq.v.*).

² Brass on an altar-tomb, with effigies of himself in armour, his wife, and a third (smaller) effigy—also in armour—presumably that of a son who must have *d. v.p.*, there is a chamfer marginal inscription in verse. The tomb was certainly erected during Quartermaine's life, as there is a blank left in the year, which however was never completed. . . . "wiche Richard and Sibil oute of this worlde passid in the yere of oure Lord A MCCCCCLx . . . Vppon their Soules Ihu haue mercy Amen".

³ Inq. *p.m.*, Ric. III, cited Lee, *Thame Church*, 299, n. 10. ⁴ Gairdner, *Hist. of Dunwich*.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 9/200.

⁶ Miss Bateson, *Records of Leicester*, 422, 427.

⁷ Hartopp, *Roll of the Mayors of Leicester*, 32. ⁸ *Test. Ebor.* ii. 251. ⁹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 546.

¹⁰ Ormerod, *Cheshire*, i. 415; H. Hornyold-Strickland, *Lancs. M.P.s*, 78.

RADCLIFFE, CHRISTOPHER (1465-1523); of Elslack in Craven. M.P. Grimsby 1491-2.

He held Elslack in Craven in right of his mother Eleanor;¹ witnessed the will of Katherine, widow of Roger Tempest of Broughton in Craven, 1469;² and Wolsey wrote to Dacre in 1523, desiring him to apprehend Robert Lambert who had murdered Christopher Radcliffe at Sherston, in the bishopric of Durham.³

RADCLIFFE DE FITZWALTER, (Sir) JOHN (1452-96); of Attleborough (Lord Fitzwalter, 1485-95). Steward of the Household 1485-7; of England 1487; of the Duchy of Lancs. 1485. M.P. NORFOLK 1478, (? 1483 June, ? 1484). Sumnd. 1485-6, 1487, 1489-90, 1491-2, 1495.³

S. and h. of John Radcliffe of same—Yorkist, slain at Towton—by Elizabeth (b. 1430) only da. and h. of Walter, lord Fitzwalter (1401-31); *m.* (1) by 12 Mar. 1476, Anne, sis. of Richard Whetehill of Calais, and (2) Margaret.

Warwick's government put him on the Norfolk comms. in Oct. 1470 while under age; on all Richard III comms.; J.P. Norf., 30 June 1476 till his attainder. His mother, was heiress of the Fitzwalter barony, 1485, and he was sumnd. to Parlt. for that barony on 15 Sept. that year, although his mother seems still to have been alive. He was at once made steward of the Household, steward of the Duchy lands in Norf. and Suff.,⁴ warden and chief justice of forests south of Trent; then, of all forests, and, jointly with the Duke of Bedford, steward of England at the Queen's coronation, 10 Nov. 1487. Early in 1495 he was arrested for treason with Warbeck, and attainted in that Parlt., Oct. 1495. He was imprisoned at Calais, is supposed to have attempted to escape, and was beheaded in consequence, 24 Nov. 1496. His attainder was reversed 1504,⁵ for the benefit of his only s. Robert, afterwards 1st Earl of Sussex.⁶

RADCLIFFE, WILLIAM (1455-1530); ald. of Stamford. M.P. Stamford 1497.

Said to be of a Yorkshire family; s. of William Radcliffe, for in 1475 a pardon was issued to William Radcliffe esq. s. of William Radcliffe;⁷ and the father may well be the keeper of the wardrobe at Windsor who *d.* 1501.⁸

Alderman (= Mayor) of Stamford 1495, 1503, 1512, 1522;⁹ two charters were confirmed to him, "alderman and burgess of Stamford", 11 May 1504; comnr. of sewers, Lincs., 1503 onwards; of gaol delivery, Stamford, 1513; subsidy comnr., as "ald. of Stamford", Aug. 1524; a J.P. in Stamford 1514.¹⁰

D. c. 1530; all his lands in Stamford for the perpetual maintenance of a Free Grammar School which he had erected. Ratified by Act of Parliament of 1548.¹¹ The free school still flourishes.

RADFORD, JOHN¹² (1400-60); of Oakford, Devon. M.P. Plymouth 1450-1.

¹ *Test. Ebor.* iii. 169. n.

² *L. & P. Hen. VIII.* i. p. 1299.

³ *Comp. Peer.* v. 486.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 374.

⁵ *ibid.* vi. 504, 526; *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.* ii. No. 10.

⁶ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir John Radcliffe.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1475), 511.

⁸ *ibid.* (1501), 233.

⁹ Drakard, *Stamford*, 100.

¹⁰ *L. & P., Hen. VIII.* i. 1366.

¹¹ Drakard, *op. cit.*, 101, 315-6.

¹² *Paston Letters*, i. 351.

S. and h. of John Radford of Oakford, and second cousin to Nicholas Radford of Upcott, Devon, M.P.¹

After the murder of Nicholas Radford, controversy arose between Thomassine, sis. and h. of Nicholas, and John s. and h. of John Radford, which John junior was M.P. Barnstaple 1455-6.²

RADFORD, JOHN (1430-78); of Poughill, Devon. M.P. Barnstaple 1455-6, when called "junior".

S. and h. of John Radford of Oakford (*q.v.*) (1400-60).

John Radford, junior, of Devon, gent., and Richard "Boskawen" of Cornwall, gent., were mainpernors for Richard Penpons (*q.v.*) for keeping of land in Treleigh, 18 Nov. 1450.³

D. shortly before 14 Oct. 1478, when his writ *diem clausit* was sent to the escheator of Devon.⁴

RADMILD (RADMYLD), ROBERT (1426-57); of Broadwater, Sussex, esq.

M.P. SUSSEX 1449 (1).

S. and h. of Ralph Radmild of the same, M.P. Sussex 1420-1 (*d.* 3 Aug. 1443) by Margaret, 1st sis. and coh. of Hugh, 2nd lord Camoys.

He had licence to enter on the lands of Ralph Radmild and Margaret his wife, Jan. 1448; heads the list of Kent electors, 1453; was owed 8 marks in Kent, 1454; and was pardoned, 9 Aug. 1455, as "of Bradwater, Sussex, esq., *alias* of West Mallyng, Kent" (m.32). But Broadwater was the chief seat of lord De la Warr at this time, and Radmild may be his servant.

D. 22 June 1457, when William, aged 6, was his s. and h.; lands—Sussex and Oxon.

RAITHBY (RATHEBY), JOHN (1405-53/8); of Lincoln. Of the Chancery

M.P. Lincoln city 1449-50.

Sheriff of Lincoln 1442-3; mayor 1446. In 1450 John Raithby of Lincoln sued Jane, late wife and administratrix of the estate of John Rouse, merchant of Lincoln, for money paid for the said John Rouse for his share of the "Knight's" expenses at the Parlt. of Leicester (1450).⁵ Raithby was a Lincoln elector 1427, 1433, 1450 and 1453; and such a man was pardoned, 1 Dec. 1458, as "of London, gent. *alias* of our Chancery".

RALEGH, WALTER (1410-64); of Fardel, Devon, esq.; lawyer. M.P. DEVONSHIRE 1453-4, (? 1461-2, ? 1463-4).

S. and h. of Piers Raleigh of the same.

In 1442 Walter Raleigh esq. of Devon complained that R. Hill (M.P.) lay in wait to kill him at Ugborough, Devon, cast him into deep waters and stole his goods.⁶ He was arrested at the same time as Thorpe *c.* Jan. 1454, and imprisoned, but apparently set at large in April to attend Parliament.⁷ A Devon and Exeter elector, 1455; exor. of will of John Coppleston (*q.v.*), 1459. He flourished with the coming of the Yorkists; sat on eleven Devon comns. 1460-3; J.P. Devon, of

¹ Nicholas Radford (1390-1455), was M.P., Devon, 1435. He was of lord Bonville's Council and was murdered by the earl of Devon's men, 23 Oct. 1455 (*Chron. Giles*, 46).

² *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

³ Fine Roll, 29 Hen. VI (m.9).

⁴ Fine Roll, 18 Edw. IV (m.19).

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 22/196.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1442), 153.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. 239a.

the quorum, 19 Aug. 1460; probably again M.P.; pardoned, 20 March 1462, as "Rayleigh, *alias* Raley, *alias* of Ferdell, Devon" (m.12).

D. 17 Oct. 1464, when Jane, aged 3, da. of William s. of Walter Ralegh, was g.da. and h. Lands—Devon. A plea of 1480 recites that Walter before his death had enfeoffed lord Dynham, Sir William Paulet and four others, of Fardel, Bolham, Colaton-Ralegh and Widecombe-Ralegh.¹ Jane, widow and exix. of Walter Ralegh, late of Fardel, occurs in 1467.

RALPH (RAUFF), EDWARD. M.P. Reigate 1449 (1); Shoreham 1450-1, 1453-4.

Undiscovered; but Walter Ralph, the King's tailor, jointly with his wife Mundine, Richard II's nurse, had a grant for life of Witley manor, Surrey, and d. 1421.²

RASTELL, THOMAS; lawyer. M.P. Warwick boro' 1472-5.

J.P. Warwickshire, of the quorum, 14 June 1478 to 28 Nov. 1481. A *John* Rastell was on Warw. comms. 1505-9.

RASYN, ROBERT (1395-1450); clerk of Nottingham. M.P. Nottingham boro' 1435, 1447.

Clerk of the Statutes at Nottingham 1422-61;³ elector of both Notts. and Nottingham 1437 and 1442, of the boro' in 1449 (1); mayor of Nottingham 1443-4. In Aug. 1449 Robert Rasyn of Nottingham gent. and Alice his wife release to William Jonson their house on the south side of the Saturday market.⁴

It is not clear whether he died in 1450 or 1461. The estate of Robert Rasyn of Nottingham was being administered in April 1450,⁵ but the Nottingham records show him still Clerk of the Statutes in 1461; and in 1461/2 the Nottingham Chamberlain's Accounts speak of land late in the tenure of Robert Rasyn, deceased.⁶

RATHEBY see RAITHBY.

RAUFF see RALPH.

RAULYN, PIERS; probably of Truro. M.P. Truro 1442.

A *John* Raulyn M.P. Truro 1384, and a *William* Raulyn pardoned 29 Apr. 1469, as of East Looe, souter, show the name to be local.

REDE see REED.

REDENESS, ROBERT (1430-90); of Hailsham, Sussex, gent. M.P. East Grinstead 1459.

Robert Rydness of "Helsham, Sussex, gent., *alias* Rednesse, *alias* late bailiff of the liberty of the duchy of Lancaster in Sussex, *alias* of Ridnesse", was pardoned, 23 Feb. 1484 (m.12).

REDESHULL, JOHN; Yeoman of the Chamber. M.P. Wycombe 1442.

In 1445 he was one of the nine yeomen of the chamber to whom clothes were issued; and, in the Act of Resumption of 1449-50, Redeshull, yeoman of the chamber, was exempted in respect of that office.⁷ Nothing else can be found of Redeshull. He was not a burgess of Wycombe.

¹ *Geneal. N.S.* xx. 92.

⁴ *ibid.* ii. 411.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. 192.

² *V.C.H. Surrey*, iii. 63.

⁵ York Wills, 2/208.

³ *Nottingham Records*, ii. 432.

⁶ *Nottingham Records*, iii. 416.

REDESTON see REDSTONE.

REDMAYNE, EDWARD (1455-1510); of Harewood, Yorks., and Levens, Westd.; lawyer; Squire of the Body 1483-5. M.P. Carlisle 1478, (? 1483 Jan.); WESTMORLAND (? 1484), 1495.

Second s. of Sir Richard Redmayne M.P. (1417-76) by Margaret (Midleton), and bro. and h. to Sir William Redmayne M.P. (1445-82); *m.* Elizabeth da. of Sir John Hudleston of Millom (*q.v.*) and widow of Sir William Leigh *q.v.* of Isell, Cumb. (1420-84).

Admtd. to Lincoln's Inn, *c.* 1475; and held all the offices there up to marshal 1480-1;¹ succeeded his bro. 1482, being aged 27; J.P. Westd. and W. Riding, 14 May to 5 Dec. 1483; J.P. Wilts., 5 Dec. 1483 to 1485; on Richard III comns. in the southwest, arresting rebels and arrays, Nov. 1483 to 1485; on subsidy comns. in Yorks. and Westd. Aug. 1483, 18 Feb. 1484.² He was sheriff of Som. and Dorset, 1483-4, and his connection with those counties can only be explained by the grants he had there of the forfeited lands of John Chidiok, Sir Roger Tocotes (*q.v.*), and Sir Thomas Arundel. Squire of the Body to Richard III, 1484-5,³ *i.e.* another northerner to support Richard III.

Pardoned, 23 Oct. 1485, of Harewood and Levens, and also still of Chideock, Dorset. Under the Tudors he continued to thrive in or by the law—though he was attached for forgery in 1494.⁴ Lent Reader at Lincoln's Inn 1489-90;⁵ sheriff, Cumbd., 1492-3; J.P. Cumbd. and Westd., of the quorum, 18 Feb. 1495 till death; on gaol delivery and subsidy comns. from 1497; pardoned, 1509, of Isell, Cumbd., of Levens and late of London, knt. (which he never was).

D. 26 Sept. 1510, when his g.s. and h., John s. of Henry s. of Edward, was aged 21 weeks;⁶ but when the inquest was held on his Yorkshire lands at Doncaster, 19 Oct. 1514, the h. was Jane, aged 3, da. of Henry—not John s. of Henry.

REDMAYNE, (Sir) RICHARD⁷ (1417-76); of Levens, Westd., and Harewood, Yorks. M.P. WESTMORLAND 1442.

S. of Matthew (*d.* 1419) (and g.s. and h. of Sir Richard Redmayne, the Speaker, *d.* 1426), by Jane da. of Sir Thomas Tunstall; *m.* Margaret, da. and coh. of Thomas Middleton of Middleton, Westd.⁸

On 14 Mar. 1437 Richard Redmayne, squire to John, late duke of Bedford, was granted, during pleasure, the office of master forester of Kendal; and in November the grant was extended for life. Eschr., Cumbd. and Westd., 1439-40; called "junior" when elected 1442;⁹ tenant of the manor of Harewood, Yorks., in 1445; on a Yorks. comn. the same year; pardoned 1446.¹⁰ In 1450 he had a grant of

¹ In 1481 he was put out of the society for using presumptuous and unsuitable words in answering the governors and other benchers openly in Hall, and readmitted on paying 20*d.* (*Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, 62-71).

² This makes his 1484 election for Westmd., when he was sheriff of Dorset, seem more probable. ³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 501. ⁴ *Geneal. N.S.* xxv. 89.

⁵ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, 90, 125.

⁶ *Inq. p.m.* 2 *Hen. VIII*, No. 3.

⁷ He was nephew of Ric. Redmayne, bp. of Ely.

⁸ Vincent, *Pedigree in Herald's College*; *Geneal. N.S.* xx. 97.

⁹ There was a contemporary Richard Redmayne of Bossall, Yorks, from whom he had to be distinguished.

¹⁰ Pardon Roll, 1 July 1446, as late eschr. and "cousin" and heir of Richard Redmayne knt. (m.40).

lands in Hincaster, Westd. from his uncle, 1450;¹ pardoned July 1458 as of Harewood, Yorks., esq., *alias* of Levens, Westd., and 19 June 1465; knighted between then and 1 July 1469, when, described as knt., he was a co-feoffee with Clarence and Warwick for the castle of Mintished by Kendal. If he went with Clarence he escaped, and was pardoned, 14 June 1472, as of Levens, knt., *alias* of Harewood, Yorks.

D. 21 March 1476; when William, aged 30, was his s. and h. Lands, Yorks.

REDMAYNE, (Sir) WILLIAM (1445-82); of Levens and of Harewood, Yorks.

M.P. WESTMORLAND 1478.

Eldest s. of Sir Richard Redmayne of same M.P. (1417-76) by Margaret (Midleton); *m.* 1458,² Margaret da. and h. of Sir Walter Strickland of Sizergh.

Kntd. Jan. 1478/June 1480; on comn. of array, W. Riding, June 1480; made a banneret by Richard of Gloucester in Scotland, 24 July 1482.³ In 1482 he was sued for illegal distress in Selshede (Selside) and Whinfell, Westd., and defended the distress, claiming as s. of Richard, s. of Matthew, s. of Richard Redmayne, knt.⁴

D. 13 Sept. 1482, when Edward was his bro. and h., aged 27; lands, Levens and Harewood. Will, dat. 12 Sept. 1482; to be bur. at Heversham; no surviving issue. Exor., his bro. Edward.⁵ His widow *d. c.* 1490 and was also buried at Heversham.⁵

REDSTONE (REDESTON), WILLIAM (1405-58); of Southwark; King's Serjeant.

M.P. East Grinstead 1442; Southwark 1447; Shoreham 1449 (1); Southwark 1449-50; Bletchingley 1450-1.

Perhaps s. of that William Redstone who was Member for Southwark 1415-21. Redstone is a manor in Reigate, but in 1442 William Redstone of Southwark sued John Tingelden (*q.v.*) for the detention of a bond;⁶ and in 1447 William Redstone held land in Southwark.⁷ He was on a Sussex comn. in Jan. 1452 and an elector in Surrey 1447, when returned for Southwark, and in 1449 (1), when returned for Shoreham.

He was dead by 1459, when Hugh Kyngeston and Agnes his wife, late wife of William Redstone, sued the feoffees of William Redstone *viz.* Richard Profite and Thomas Wesenham (*q.v.*), for houses and lands in Southwark, Bermondsey, Penge and Battersea.⁸ Serjeants-at-arms lived in Southwark; both Tingelden and Wesenham were such; possibly Redstone was one also.

REDWYN, HENRY (1425-90); of Barnstaple, gent. M.P. Barnstaple 1449 (1), 1450-1.

Perhaps s. of Richard Redwyn, mayor of Barnstaple in 1436.⁹

Exempted from all office, 1445; John Wydeslade of Wydeslade, Devon, gent., and Henry Redwyn of Barnstaple, gent., were mainpernors for John Monke, 5 Dec. 1450.¹⁰ In 1502 Edmund Holcomb granted certain lands to feoffees, which he, with other feoffees all dead, had had from Henry Redwyn in Barnstaple for pious uses for the anniversary of Henry Redwyn and Agnes his wife.¹¹

¹ Levens Hall Deeds.

² Dispensation granted, 22 July 1458.

³ Shaw, *Knights*.

⁴ *Geneal. N.S.* xx. 97.

⁵ *Ex inf.* Mr. Redmayne of Newcastle-on-Tyne.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 9/62.

⁷ *Surrey Arch. Soc.* i. 163.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/4.

⁹ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* ix. 209; *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. 363.

¹⁰ Fine Roll, 29 Hen. VI (m.28).

¹¹ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* ix. 209; Chanter & Wainwright, *Barnstaple*, i. 205.

REE, Sir ROGER (1430-76); of Woodham-Ferrers, Essex. York's servant; Usher of Chamber 1461-76. M.P. MIDDLESEX 1467-8, 1472-5. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Roger Ree of Stratford atte Bowe, usher to the Duke of York in 1451.¹

Eschr., Essex and Herts., 1457-8, 1461-3; J.P. Essex, 14 July 1461 to 1470, 14 July 1472 till death; sheriff, Essex and Herts., 1464-5, 1471-2; on comns., Herts. and Mdsx., from 1471. The Roger Ree pardoned in 1452 and Dec. 1455 may well be the father, but Roger pardoned 21 Jan. 1456—"of London esq., late of Foderingey" (York's castle)²—must be the son, who was trustee next year for the marriage of John, duke of Suffolk.³ When Edward IV won the Kingdom Ree was made usher of the chamber, obtained forfeited lands in Essex and London ("for good service to the duke of York"), and shared with Sir William Hastings the next presentation to a canonry at St. Stephens. His pay was £40 a year.⁴ He was pardoned, Oct. 1462, "of Wodeham-Ferrers, late escheator". A grant of Erpingham, Norfolk, in 1467 was followed by being made sheriff, Norf. and Suff., 1468-9 and 1472-3. Probably he accompanied Edward IV into exile for further grants followed the re-establishment of the Yorkists, and all were exempted from resumption. J.P. Mdsx., from 29 Sept. 1472, after election for Mdsx.; he took out a pardon again after the French expedition, 16 Nov. 1475; but died 19 Feb. 1476, when William, aged 15, was his son and heir.⁵

REED (REDE), Sir EDMUND (1418-89); of Checkendon, Oxon., and Boarstall, Bucks.; lawyer. King's Servant 1447. M.P. OXFORDSHIRE 1450-1.

S. of Edmund Rede (*d.* 1430), by Christine (1400-34), da. and h. of Robert James of Checkendon and Boarstall;⁶ *m.* (1) Agnes da. of Sir John Cottesmore C.J., and (2) by 1471 Katherine, widow of John Gaynesford (*q.v.*)⁷ (1419-60), of Hampton-Poyle, Oxon.

Sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 1438-9; J.P. Bucks., of the quorum, 28 Nov. 1439 to July 1458; sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1442-3; on Bucks. comns. 1441 to June 1457; had letters of protection and exemption from office as King's servant, 1447; elector, Oxon., 1449 (Nov.); returned for Oxon. 1450; sheriff (while M.P.), Oxon. and Berks., 1450-1; pardoned Nov. 1452. He was made emergency sheriff of Beds. and Bucks. again, 24 Nov. 1454, "to collect what he could"; and, with John Pulter, he was comsnd. to levy all farms etc. due from those counties.⁸ Pardoned, 24 Oct. 1455,⁹ and Feb. 1458; on all Lancastrian comns. for Oxon. from 1454 to 1471; again sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1460-1; pardoned with other ex-officials, 3 Feb. 1462;⁶ J.P. Bucks., 19 Mar. 1463 to 1 Oct. 1464, and 13 May

¹ The Duke of York granted his servant Roger Ree, usher of his chamber, for his services in France, the Hundred of Berestaple, Essex, with reversion to his sons Roger and William, 1 Jan. 1451 (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1451), 62).

² Pardon Roll 1452—of London esq. (m.34); Pardon Roll 1455—of Wodeham-Ferrers esq. (m.8); Pardon Roll 1456—of London esq., late of Foderyngey (m.10).

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 27. ⁴ *Rot. Parl.* v. 535. ⁵ *Inq. p.m.* 15 Edward IV, No. 34.

⁶ Pardon Roll, 1462, as "of Borstall, Bucks., esq., late sheriff, *alias* son and heir of Christine Rede" (m.46).

⁷ In Nov. 1471 the Gaynesford manor of Hampton-Poyle was settled on Reed and his wife Katherine for her life, reversion to George Gaynesford and Isabel and heirs of their bodies, remainder to heirs of body of John Gaynesford and Katherine (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1471, 295). ⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1454), 203. ⁹ "*alias* of Fyfyhyde, Oxon." (m.26).

1466 to 14 May 1483; on the Yorkist comn. in May 1471, and on Richard III's in May 1484, adjusting himself without trouble throughout. He was knntd. at the coronation of Queen Elizabeth, 25 May 1465. Pardoned in 1468; pardoned in Nov. 1471, not by the Lancastrian Readeption; pardoned by Richard III, "*alias* keeper of Bernewode forest," 24 May 1484 (m.22); pardoned by Henry VII, 4 Mar. 1486—simply "of Borstall and Chakenden" (m.12).

D. 7 June 1489, when William, aged 22, s. of William s. of Sir Edmund, was his g.s. and h.; will, dat. 7 Apr. 1487, pr. 1489. To be bur. at Boarstall. Bequests to his w. Katherine, to William Rede his h., and to John, Sebastian and Thomas, bros. of said William and to Katherine their sis. To his s. Thomas Rede, clerk, a rose cup. Bequests to Alan Rede his s., and to Jane Wykeham his da. To George Gaynesford his second best mare called a "stodmare", and to William Gaynesford his third best mare. Residue to w. Katherine. Exors:—w. Katherine, Richard Halle, John Sampson, clerk, and Robert Arderne, gent. (P.C.C., 23 Milles).

REED (REDE), THOMAS (1435-92); of Westham, Sussex. King's Servant. M.P. Hastings 1472-5.

It is certain that the M.P. was the Thomas Rede put on a comn. at Hastings, 1463. It is probable that he was the King's servant made bailiff of Bagshot, 1461, and forester of Bernewood in Cambs. and Hunts. in 1465, to date from 1461. The forestership was exempted to "our well beloved servant", 1467,¹ and confirmed to him, 11 Mar. 1484. Possibly it is the same man who, claiming through his mother, da. and h. of Nicholas Grimbaud, sued Thomas Wysshard (*q.v.*) and Alice his wife for Chalvestone (Chawston), Beds., in 1465. Alice declared the land was her inheritance.² Probably, too, he is the Thomas Rede whose will was pr. as of Westham, Sussex, in 1492.³

He cannot be the mayor and jurat of Faversham (*d.* 1503);⁴ nor the man of Leeds, Kent, whose will was pr. 1515.⁵

REED (REDE), WILLIAM (1415-85); of Reading. M.P. Reading 1453-4, 1459, 1463-5, 1470-1.

He was a minor and a burgess of Reading in 1432. A collector of the 10th and 15th at Reading 1445; elected keeper of the merchants 1447; elected taxer 1448; elected cofferer for one year 25 Sept. 1450; elected constable, 5 May 1452; mayor of Reading 1452-7, 1464-5, 1467-8, 1469-70, being mayor when elected M.P. in 1453. One of those elected but not selected for mayor by the abbot of Reading in 1481.⁶ In 1453/4 he proved that he was no descendant of a serf, but freely born at the monastery of Eynsham. Elector, Reading, 1478.

REMSTON, ROBERT (1395-1456); of Godlingston near Swanage. M.P. Shaftesbury 1442.

Perhaps s. of Sir Thomas Remston.⁷ Elector for Dorset 1421, 1423, 1426, 1427, 1432, 1435, 1437; for Wareham 1425. The King, as guardian of John, earl of Somerset, sued Robert Remston for breaking the free chase of Purbeck, 1414/24.⁸

¹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 610.

² *Geneal. N.S.* xix. 101, 102.

³ P.C.C., 9 Doggett.

⁴ *Arch. Cant.* xviii. 113.

⁵ P.C.C., 6 Holder.

⁶ Guilding, *Reading Diaries*, i. 2-72.

⁷ Margaret, widow of Sir Thomas Remston, and Robert Remston were feoffees in Notts., 1441.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 6/177.

On Dorset comns. 1421 till 1424; sworn to the peace in Dorset 1434; witness to a Cerne Abbey deed, 1436.¹ Robert Remston of Godlingston was licensed to alienate the manor of Himbury (Henbury in Sturminster-Marshall) to the prior of Christchurch, Hants, 1448; he was owed 4 marks by a goldsmith of Wells, 1448.

D. 10 Feb. 1456—heirs, Isabel, aged 30, wife of William Hackett and da. and h. of Robert Remston and Margaret his wife; and Jane, aged 2, da. and h. of Walter Payn and Elizabeth his wife, the other da. of Robert and Margaret; lands, Godlingston, Dorset.

RENDEL (REYNELL), WALTER (1405–75); of Malston in Sherford, Devon.

M.P. Totnes 1447; DEVONSHIRE 1453–4.

S. and h. of Walter Reynell of Bradlingham (perhaps the Walter Reynell, M.P. 1404, deputy to the Admiral of England), by Margaret da. and h. of William Stygill of Malston.²

Sworn to the peace in Devon, 1434; sued Thomas Heath of Mildenhall, Suffolk, for a moiety of the manor of Bradlingham, Cambs., and for assaults and menaces, 1435/6.³ Pardoned, May 1437⁴ and 1446, as of Malston, Devon, esq.; on comns. in Devon (latterly Yorkist) 1442 to 1461; a witness at Combe, 1445; at Dartmouth, 1446.⁵ In July 1450 a comn. was apptd. to enquire touching the names of the malefactors who, with Robert Wenington of Dartmouth (*q.v.*) assaulted and imprisoned Walter Reynell of Dartmouth, so that his life was despaired of, until he had delivered to Wenington a writing whereby he released to him all suits. He was a Devon and Exeter elector in 1455; sued for Malston and East Ogwell, Devon, in 1472.

D. 25 Feb. 1475, when John, aged 15, s. of Robert s. of Walter Rendel, was his heir. In 1489 Walter s. of Robert s. of Walter Reynell, s. and h. of Walter Reynell and Margaret, sued for Botterlegh, Devon.⁶

RESTWOLD, RICHARD (1405–75); of Sonning, Berks., and the Vache, Bucks. Master of the King's Harriers, 1440–50. M.P. BERKSHIRE 1425, 1432; OXFORDSHIRE 1439–40; BERKSHIRE 1442, 1445–6.

S. of Ralph Restwold.⁷

A witness at Sandhurst, Berks., 1431;⁸ sworn to the peace in Oxon. 1434; sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 1434–5; J.P. Berks., 12 Dec. 1435 to 11 Dec. 1459; pardoned 1437;⁹ eschr., Oxon. and Berks., 1440–1; sheriff, Wilts., 1441–2; eschr., Hants and Wilts., 1444–5; elector, Berks. 1427, Bucks. 1449 (1); repeatedly on comns. for Berks. 1431 to 1459; apptd. forester of the nether ward of the forest of Inglewood, Cumbd., 20 May 1438, resumed by the Crown 1450; pension of 1s. a day, Dec. 1440, renewed for life in Nov. 1443, being then master

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1452), 550.

² *Geneal. N.S.* xix. 31.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 6/325.

⁴ Pardon Rolls, 1437, as of Malston, Devon, esq., *alias* heir of Walter Reynell, late of Bradlynham (m.25).

⁵ Watkin, *Dartmouth Records*, *passim*.

⁶ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiii. 93.

⁷ *V.C.H. Berks.* iii. 253. We know neither the name of his mother nor of his wife, but in Sept. 1476 there was a release by Thomas Restwold son and heir of our Restwold, to feoffees of Wingfield and Stradbroke, Suffolk, which had descended to him from his father (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 70).

⁸ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 157.

⁹ Pardon Roll, 1437, of Berks. esq.

of the King's harriers;¹ again pardoned 1446; J.P. Bucks., 22 Nov. 1454 to 29 July 1459; with Hampden and Tuddenham he was a feoffee for William de la Pole, duke of Suffolk (murdered 1450),² but the fact that he was removed from both benches in 1459 seems to show that he was Yorkist at that time. Certainly he was made sheriff of Oxon. and Berks., Nov. 1461 to Feb. 1464; pardoned 1468.³

D. 4 Sept. 1475, Thomas, aged 30, was his s. and h. Lands at Lee and Sonning, Berks.⁴

REVER,⁵ JOHN (1435-85); of Ipswich, mercer. M.P. Ipswich 1459.

John Rever of Harkstead, Suff., mercer, was pardoned outlawry in Berks. for not appearing to answer Bartholomew Marton for having left his service before the end of his term, 1454. He and William Worsop were paid for being at the Parlt. of 1459—if at Coventry or York 18*d.* a day, but if at London or Canterbury only 12*d.* a day.⁶ Elected coroner of Ipswich, 25 Apr. 1460, and again in June 1461 and Sept. 1464, 1465, 1471; "Claviger" (treasurer) of Ipswich 1466, 1467, 1468, 1470, 1471.⁷ He was pardoned outlawry again Feb. 1466 for not appearing when sued by Geoffrey Feilding (*q.v.*) of London, mercer, for a debt of £8.⁸ In 1471 a garden called "Bonbroke's garden" in Ipswich was granted to him at a yearly rent of 4*d.* Bailiff of Ipswich 1475-6, 1478-9. Justice 1479-80.⁷

REVERS (RYVERSE), WILLIAM (1440-96); of Rochester. M.P. Rochester 1472-5.

Mayor of Rochester 1482. D. 1496, buried in Rochester cathedral. Will, see Thorpe, *Reg. Roff*.⁹

REVISE see BEAUFITZ.

REYNE see REYNEY.

REYNES (REYGNES), THOMAS (1400-51); of Marston-Moretaine, Beds., and Clifton Reynes, Bucks., esq. M.P. BEDFORDSHIRE 1442.

S. of Richard Reynes (*d.* 1412), and g.s. of Thomas Reynes (M.P. Beds. 1370, 1377), *d. c.* 1389.¹⁰

7 Mar. 1439 a pardon was issued to Lord Fanhope, Thomas Reynes of Marston, Beds., esq., John Enderby (*q.v.*) and òrs. who had been accused of coming upon the justices in the judgment hall in Bedford armed and in a riotous manner.

D. shortly before 6 Feb. 1452, when his writ of *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Beds. and Bucks.;¹¹ bur. at Marston, M.I.¹²

REYNEY (REYNE), JOHN (1425-80); of Devon. M.P. Appleby 1467-8.

John Reyny s. of John s. of John Reyney sued for land in Eggesford, Devon,

¹ As Richard Restwold, King's esquire, he had a grant in tail male of the office of Master of the King's Dogs called Harriers, with 1*s.* a day in 1446; obviously the earlier grants of that pension were for the same service, though an earlier grant of the Mastership has not survived.

² Pardon Roll 1458 (m.9).

³ Pardon Roll 1 Oct. 1468 Richard Restwold esq., late sheriff of Wilts., Oxon. and Berks., late eschr. of Oxon. and Berks., late occupier of the tolls in Crowmarsh, *alias* of the Vache, Bucks. (m.24).

⁴ Inq. *p.m.* 15 Ed. IV, No. 8.

⁵ Given incorrectly as KEVER in the printed official Return.

⁶ Bacon, *Annals of Ipswich*, 117.

⁷ Bacon, *op. cit.*

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1466), 418.

⁹ F. F. Smith, *Rochester in Parlt.*, pp. 82-3.

¹⁰ Lipscomb, *Bucks.* iv. 103.

¹¹ Fine Roll, 30 Hen. VI (m.25).

¹² Macklin, *Monumental Brasses*, 145.

in 1458.¹ Such a man was on a Devon comn. of array, Apr. 1470; eschr. 1474-5. Pardoned, Feb. 1477 "of Devon, gent., late escheator".

D. shortly before 3 July 1480 when his writ *diem clausit* was sent to the eschr. of Devon.² Appleby generally elected strangers.

REYNOLD (REYGNOLD), ALEXANDER; of Sandwich. M.P. Sandwich 1460-1.

He was mayor of Sandwich, Dec. 1460 to Dec. 1461, elected while M.P.

REYNOLD, THOMAS (1435-95); of Southampton, mercht. M.P. Southampton 1483 Jan., 1485-6.

An exor. of the will of John North, draper of Southampton, 1457/60.³ Sheriff, Southampton, 1469; pardoned, Dec. 1470; apptd. deputy butler in S'hampton, 17 June 1471; pardoned, 4 Mar. 1484—always "of Southampton, merchant".

REYNOLDS see PILTON.

REYNWELL, JOHN (1380-1445); ald. of London; fishmonger. M.P. London 1410, 1415, 1433, 1445 till death.

S. of William and Isabel Reynwell.⁴

Auditor of London 1409-11, 1414, 1417, 1419; sheriff 1411-2; alderman 1416 to death; mayor of London 1426-7;⁵ mayor also of the staple of Calais.⁶ He was lending money to the King by 1417,⁷ and continued the practice. In 1430, as citizen and mercer of London, he was granted a "ruinous tenement in Calais" called the Earl of Hertford's Inn, in the King's hands; pardoned July 1437 (m.3), and had licence the same year to ship to London wheat and beans that he had bought in Lincolnshire and Norfolk to meet the scarcity. He was exempted from all offices in Oct. 1442, and was that year a London elector, as in 1407, 1417, 1421, 1422, 1425, 1426, 1427, 1435 and 1437.

The great house, described by Stow as being in Dowgate Ward, sometime belonging to John Reynwell, fishmonger and alderman, was made over by him to the commonalty for pious uses, as was also his property in Calais.⁸ In 1475 the great house was granted by the mayor to the Hanse merchants and became known as the steelyard or *Guildhalla Teutonicorum*.⁹

He d. 1445 while member for the city; and the administration of his will was granted at Lambeth in Nov. 1446 (164 Stafford).

RICHARDSON, JOHN; of Newcastle, merchant, customer. M.P. Newcastle-on-Tyne 1459.

A John Richardson was sheriff, Newcastle, 1448-9; mayor 1454-8, 1459-60, 1461-2; collr. of customs and subsidies there in 1458.¹⁰ On comns. on the Tyne 1454, 1458, and measuring "keles", July 1460 while mayor. But John Richardson junior was an elector 1450; and with John Ward and John Penwith, sued in the court of the Exchequer concerning the loss of the ship *Peter* in which they owned

¹ *Geneal. N.S.* xviii. p. 241.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/361.

⁵ "The goode Mayre of the cytte of London" in Gregory's Chronicle.

⁶ J. Gairdner, *Colls. of a London citizen in the 15th century*, Camden Soc. N.S. 17, p. 164.

⁷ *Letter Bk. I.* p. 203.

⁸ *Letter Bk. K.* p. 322.

⁹ Stow, *Survey of London*, i. 234; ii. 319.

² Fine Roll, 20 Edw. IV (m.15).

⁴ Sharp, *London Wills*, ii. 576-7.

¹⁰ Issue Roll, 36 Hen. VI, No. 814.

the cargo of wool, 1450. On the pardon roll, 10 Dec. 1455, he is "of Newcastle-on-Tyne, junior, merchant" (m.11). This "junior" is more likely to be the 1459 M.P.

RICKDON (RYKEDON), RICHARD (1395-1450); of Hythe, brazier.¹

M.P. Hythe 1421 (2), 1422, 1423-4, 1433, 1436, 1437, 1449-50.²

Perhaps s. of Robert Rickdon of Hythe, who was presented in 1409 for throwing rubbish into the Holywell.

In 1430 Hythe paid 30*d.* when John Overhaven, Richard Rykedon and their servant went to Canterbury for appraising the cloth canopy which the "barons" held over Henry VI at his coronation.³ Richard was a jurat of Hythe in 1447. Most people living in Kent at the time were pardoned for being out with Cade. As Rickdon's name is not in this long list, he may have died in 1450, possibly while still M.P. We cannot think that the name is the same as that Richard Rikthorn of Winchelsea, merchant, who was pardoned in 1455. Thomas Rickdon, M.P. Hythe 1459, may well be his son.

RICKDON (RYKEDON), THOMAS; of Hythe, fisherman. M.P. Hythe 1459.

Perhaps s. of Richard Rickdon (1395-1450) M.P. Hythe. Richard Smallwood and Thomas Rykedone were elected 6 Nov. 1459 to the Parliament at Coventry, wages to be 2*s.* 4*d.* a day while at Coventry. They both returned on Christmas day.⁴

RIDEOUT (RYDOUT), WILLIAM (1415-70); of Ipswich. M.P. Ipswich 1447.

He was an elector of Ipswich 1449 (2), 1450, 1453, 1467; also, and then described as "portman", he was an elector in 1459.

RIDLEY, ROGER (1420-71); of Canterbury, gent. M.P. Canterbury 1460-1.

Roger Ridlee of Canterbury, gent., took out a pardon for Cade's affair in 1450; mayor of Canterbury 1452-3, 1459-60, 1468-9;⁵ and his will, dat. 8 Jan., was pr. at Canterbury 21 Mar. 1471. To be bur. in St. Mildred's, Canterbury. Residue to w. Alice, and she sole exix. (Cant. Prob. Reg. A.ii, ff. 46-47*d.*)

RIDLEY (RYDLEY), THOMAS (1400-56); ald. of York, spicer. M.P. York city 1442.

M. Eustachia, widow of Richard Fairfax of Walton.

Made free of York city, 1424;⁶ sheriff, 1434-5; mayor, 1439-40; on York comms. from 1442, when he was called alderman, to 1448; elector of York 1437, 1447, 1449 (1) (when he heads the list), and 1449 (2).

D. intestate in 1456, when administration was granted of the estate of Thomas Ridelay, alderman of York.⁷

¹ Described as lattener (brazier) and jurat (Wilks, *Parl. Rep. of Hythe*, 17).

² Robert Bird was chosen by the community on the recommendation of Dover Castle, provided he come and pay for his freedom. But Bird was elected for Rye, and Rickdon took his place as 2nd baron for Hythe—evidently Bird was not prepared to come and to pay his footing.

³ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* iv (Hythe MSS.), 433.

⁵ William Cotton, *Grey Friars of Canterbury*, 88.

⁶ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

⁴ Hythe Accts. *per* Miss E. Scroggs.

⁷ *York Wills*, ii. 334.

RIGHTWISE, JOHN (1460-1520); of Norwich, merchant. M.P. Norwich 1504.

As "of Norwich merchant" he was a feoffee at Reepham, Norf., 1492;¹ comnr. of gaol delivery, while mayor, 1 Dec. 1501; on gaol delivery again 1507; subsidy comnr. for Norwich, 1504;² diverse debts were owing to Henry VII on bonds, signed *inter alia* by John Rithwise;³ and in 1508, as cit. and ald. of Norwich he demised land in Reepham, Norf., in execution of the will of Walter Carter.⁴

RINGSTONE, PHILIP (1455-1507); of Bristol, merchant. M.P. Bristol 1497.

An overseer of the will of Edmund Westcote (*q.v.*) in 1485. Bailiff of Bristol 1485; sheriff 1493-4; one of the two constables of the staple, 22 Sept. 1494; pardoned, 28 July 1496, as merchant of Bristol; elected for one year mayor of the staple at Bristol, 21 Sept. 1498;⁴ mayor of Bristol 1498, 1506.⁵

D. 1507. Will, dat. 20 Aug., pr. 8 Nov. 1507.⁶ Bequests to sons John, Thomas, William and John, and to das. Jane and Agnes. Children to be governed by wise advice of exors. Masses for souls of self, etc., and of John Mede. To w. Jane, house in Balon st., where he lives and which descended to him from his father. Wife Jane, exix.; John Broke and Richard Thorn, overseers.

RIPES (RYPS), RICHARD (1420-70); of Rye. M.P. Rye 1453-4.

Ripe is in Sussex. Richard was formerly the mayor's attendant; mayor of Rye 1455-7; collr. 1449-50; jurat from 1451 to 1462 and later. In 1453 he was paid for being at the Parlt. at Reading and London, at 16*d.* a day, £3 8*s. od.*, *i.e.* 51 days.⁷ And later, "for his being behind off ye Parlt., of the debt which was left by Robert Onwyn to Agnes Hakeley's shoppe, 5*s.*";⁸ and "for his being behind of ye Parlt. by 3 terms, allowed in his maltod" (local tax), 10*s. 5d.*⁹ Dead by 1479.

Being behind of the Parliament may not have meant payment of arrears of wage. While all the Cinque Port "barons" attended the first part of each Parliament, some (? half only) remained behind till the dissolution.

RISELEY, Sir JOHN (1450-1512); of Lavenham, Suff., and of London. Sq. of the Body 1480-3; knt. of the Body 1485-1509; keeper of Eltham 1485-1512. M.P. MIDDLESEX 1491-2, 1495, (? 1497), (? 1504).

S. and h. of John Riseley, of Chetwode, Bucks., by Jane da. and h. of — de la Lune; *m.* (1) Thomassine, divorced from Richard Charlton, and da. and h. of Richard Turnaunt of Tottenham;¹⁰ and (2) Jane who survived him. He died without leaving issue.

He must have had the King's favour, perhaps already squire of the body, when he accompanied Edward on the French expedition with 8 men at arms and 20 archers in 1475.¹¹ Elector, Norf., 1478; farmer of subsidy on cloth in East

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 362. ² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 535. ³ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, I. i. p. 680.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1498), 158. ⁵ Barrett, *Bristol*, 681-2. ⁶ P.C.C., 28 Adeane.

⁷ Rye, Chamberlain's Accts., i. f. 37.

⁸ *ibid.* f. 44.

⁹ *ibid.* f. 44*d.*; also further ff. 48, 49*d.*, 55.

¹⁰ In 1475/85 John Riseley esq. and Thomasyn his w., da. of Richard Tournaunt esq. sued Richard Charlton, divorced husband of Thomasyn, for money etc. bequeathed to Thomasyn by her father and by said father's mother Jane Gedney of London (*Early Chan. Proc.* 66/286).

¹¹ *Foedera*, V. iii. 56.

Anglia before 1484. He was issued with tawny satin, 1480,¹ and carried Edward's corpse to the Abbey, Apr. 1483.² He did not serve Richard III, but avoided trouble in Oct. 1483, and was pardoned 21 May 1484.³ Perhaps he had already escaped to France, for he was knntd. at the landing, Aug. 1485. He was at "our late victorious field", and all followed from that:—steward of the Duchy in Essex and Herts.; constable of Pleshey castle; keeper of Dunmow; keeper of "our lodge" in the forest of Waltham; keeper of Eltham palace; knnt. of the body; and a regrant of Wyke, Mdsx., once granted to him as squire of the body by Edward IV. Parlt. exempted all these from resumption, 1485–6. J.P. Mdsx., 20 Sept. 1485 till death; Thomassine's inheritance in Mdsx. and Catesby's lands were granted him, 1488; in Dec. 1488 he was sent to treat with Maximilian;⁴ in Sept. 1490 he was with the French King, being called "Councillor".⁵ A feoffee of the will of Henry VII in 1491 and 1496;⁶ acted as interpreter at the reception of Lord Querdes the French Ambassador, 1492;⁷ at York's creation 1494; J.P. Herts., 1497 to 1509; denounced by Warbeck as one of the "caitiffs and villains of simple birth", 1497;⁸ treating with Archduke Philip of Austria, Aug. 1498;⁹ and at the Archduke's reception in England, 1500; at Catherine's reception 1501; J.P. Kent, in connection with Eltham, 1501 till death;¹⁰ subsidy comnr. for Mdsx., 1504;¹⁰ pardoned by Henry VIII, 9 June 1509; as farmer of Eltham, late knnt. of the Body to Henry VII; and exempted from all office, 28 May 1509.¹¹

D. 1511/2; will, dat. 13 Sept. 1511, pr. 14 May 1512.¹² Fresh grants of Thomassine's Tournaunt lands in Tottenham and of the lands in Chigwell, Essex, which had been granted him in tail male, were made on his death.¹³

RITTE, JOHN (1425–80); of Ugborough and Wembury, Devon. M.P. Totnes 1453–4.

In 1457/60 William Ritte, Isabel his wife and John their son sued Agnes late wife of Richard Fortescu and her son *re* an award concerning lands in Holcombe, Keaton, etc., late of Richard Holcombe, father of Agnes Windsor, and lands in Plympton-Earle late of Margaret Wilberton.¹⁴ A juror in Exeter, May 1461;¹⁵ in 1467/72 John Ritte of Ugborough sued Sir Walter Assherygge, priest, for a false suit about a testament.¹⁶ In 1475–80 John Wynell sued John Ritte of Doun-Thomas for detention of deeds of Plympton-Earle.¹⁷ Long after a John Ritte of Totnes was on a Totnes jury, 1511.¹⁸

¹ *Wardrobe Accts. of Edw. IV*, 158.

² Gairdner, *L. & P.* i. 5.

³ As esq. of body to Edw. IV, *alias* of Lavenham, Suff., *alias* late farmer of subsidy on cloth in Norf., Suff., Essex, Herts., Cambs. and Hunts., *alias* of London esq. (m.13).

⁴ *Foedera*, V. iii. 195.

⁵ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 505.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 444, 510.

⁷ Gairdner, *op. cit.* ii. 291.

⁸ Pollard, *Doc. Illustr.* i. 153.

⁹ *Foedera*, V. iv. 129.

¹⁰ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 540.

¹¹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 94 (7).

¹² To be bur. in Barking ch. Bequests to vicars of Tottenham, Eltham and Greenwich for tithes forgotten. To sis. Margaret £20. Gifts to Jesus Coll., Cambridge. Prayers for self and late w. Thomassine. Residue to present w. Dame Jane, and she exix., with Richard Broke, serjt.-at-law, *John Roper*, Edward Skern, William Marin and John Brown of Eltham. Masses for Dame Thomassine, for Richard Turnaunt and Margaret his w., and for Dame Jane Gednay mother of Richard Turnaunt (P.C.C., 8 Fetiplace).

¹³ *L. & P., Hen. VIII*, i. 1562 (58), 2055 (130).

¹⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/565.

¹⁵ *Anc. Indict. K.B.* (penes A. T. Butler, esq.).

¹⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 10/315.

¹⁷ *ibid.* 54/257.

¹⁸ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

ROBERT (ROBARD), THOMAS (1415-60); of Winchester. M.P. Winchester 1449 (2).

A collr. of subsidies for the city of Winchester, 1452; mentioned as selling flints, stone and lime to the city, 1455; chosen as one of 18 representatives of the commons who, with 18 of the XXIV, should have power to administer the affairs of the city. He seems to belong to the earlier class of Winchester M.P.s, *i.e.* men who had held no post of distinction in their city before being sent to Parlt.¹

ROBERTS, JOHN (1430-95); of Leicester, draper. M.P. Leicester boro' 1467-8, (? 1470-1), 1472-5, 1483 (1), 1484.

He had a tenement at the East Gate in 1458 and was then steward of the chantry of Corpus Christi.² Chamberlain 1459-60; bailiff 1461-2; mayor of Leicester 1474-5, 1483-4 returning himself; bailiff of the fair 1461; a steward thereof 1477-80, 1481-4, 1486-7, 1488-9, 1492-3.³ Deputy bailiff for Piers Curtis (*q.v.*) 1462, 1466. He had a stall in the Swine market, a house abutting on the town wall or dyke, a barn in Parchment Lane.⁴ Pardoned outlawry for not appearing 1466, as "late of Leicester, draper"; on Leicester gaol delivery comms. 1486 and 1492. It may be his son of the same name who was a cutler in 1495 and 1505.

ROBINSON, JOHN (1420-89); of Scarborough, mercer. M.P. Scarborough 1453-4, (? 1461-2), 1467-8 "senior".

M. (2) Anne's widow of William Dring who had been godfather to two of Robinson's children (dispensation granted, 20 May 1449).⁶

A John Robinson of Flamborough, husbandman, was one of the fishermen who fought the men of Grimsby in 1441. This or another John was bailiff of Scarborough by Aug. 1454 when he and Richard George (*q.v.*) and Andrew Trollop, "who keeps the seas", were ordered to be arrested.⁷ But he was pardoned 24 Nov. 1455, "of Scarborough, merchant, *alias* burgess" (m.15), and again pardoned all treasons, as was Trollop too, 16 Dec. 1459, "of Scarborough, merchant". He was pledge for the Scarborough M.P.s in 1447, 1449 (2), 1453 when elected and bailiff, 1472, and 1478 when bailiff. The Pardon Roll, 8 June 1462, includes the anonymous "Burgesses of Scarborough" and the next item on the Roll is "John Robinson of Scarborough, merchant, *alias* senior, *alias* mercer, *alias* one of the bailiffs of Scarborough", tested at Westminster, 12 June 1462 (m.21); which makes it extremely probable that he was the burgess in Parlt. at that time. He was certainly elected again in 1467, being then "senior". He was suing for loss of a horse in Beverley in 1467/72;⁸ and the arrest of the whole family seems to have been ordered in June and July 1471—John Robinson of Scarborough, Richard Robinson of Scarborough and John the younger. They were to be brought before the Council and their goods seized into the King's hands.⁹ However, John Robinson of Scarborough, merchant, *alias* late bailiff of Scarborough, *alias* late of Hull, was pardoned 20 Apr. 1472 (m.21).

¹ *Ex inf.* J. S. Furley.

² Bateson, *Records of Leicester*, 268-9.

³ *ibid. passim.*

⁴ *ibid.* pp. 278, 335, 349.

⁵ Pardoned, 2 Dec. 1455, as "of Scarborough, formerly wife and executrix of William Dryng, merchant, collector of the 10th and 15th on wool in the North Riding, which office had been granted him in 24 Hen. VI." (m.14).

⁶ *Test. Ebor.* iii. p. 331.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1454), 179.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 46/167.

⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), pp. 286-7.

D. 1489; will of John Robinson, burgess of Scarborough, dat. 4 Feb., pr. at York 14 July 1489.¹

ROBINSON see GREEN.

ROCHE, NICHOLAS (1410-70). M.P. Bodmin 1433; Truro 1442.

Elector, Cornwall, 1437 and 1442, when he himself was returned for Truro, and on a Cornwall comn. in 1462. There was a *John* Roche who was pardoned 30 Nov. 1455 as of Trevelyas, Cornwall, gent. (m.17).

RODEN (ROUDON), WALTER (1455-1513); of Gloucester, and of Roudon, Heref.; lawyer. M.P. Gloucester boro' 1491-2.

An attorney, Glos., on the Plea Rolls of 1480. In 1483/9, Edward Grey, visct. Lisle, demised to him a messuage in Gloucester worth 30s. at a rent of 40s.;² on Gloucester comns. 1488 to 1508, mostly gaol deliveries at Gloucester; sheriff, Gloucester town 1488-9; mayor 1492, 1503; J.P. Glos., 2 Dec. 1493 till death; pardoned, 28 Nov. 1496, late of Roudon and of Gloucester. On 11 Feb. 1500 the keeping of two virgates of land in Sandhurst in the town of Gloucester was committed to Walter Roudum;³ feoffee for uses for William Hartland, 1503;⁴ J.P. Heref., 4 June 1501 to 1503/5; helped to endow St. Mary's, Tewkesbury, 1504; made *Custos Rotulorum* for Glos. *vice* William Greville, justice, 17 Mar. 1513.⁵ Frequently mentioned in the Fine Rolls as taking out writs.

D., to judge from his J.P.ships, May 1513.

RODENAILE, RICHARD, D.D.; lawyer? M.P. Midhurst 1450-1.

A Mr. Richard Rodale was doctor of decrees in 1443; and this is probably the same man.

RODES, ROBERT (1400-74); of Newcastle, lawyer; customer. M.P. Newcastle-on-Tyne 1427-8, 1429-30, 1431, 1432, 1433, 1435, 1437, (? 1439-40), 1442.

S. of John Rodes, a Newcastle lawyer and mayor of that city, 1429-31, by Isabel; *m.* (1), by 1425, Jane, da. and h. of Walter Hawycle of Little Eden, Durham; and (2) Agnes —.

Eschr. of Nhd. 1434-6; J.P. Nhd. 18 July 1437 to 18 July 1442; elector of Nhd. 1449 (2); on a dozen Nhd. comns. 1434 to 1472. On the Duke of Bedford's death in 1436 he was made steward of the Bedford lands in Nhd.; received a special reward for his labour and diligence in the King's business, Xmas 1437 to Xmas 1438.⁶ Made controller of customs in Newcastle, July 1441—grant renewed 1444; exempted for life from being mayor, sheriff or eschr., 1441. He was a lawyer,⁷ benefactor of the churches of Newcastle, and is the reputed builder of the tower of St. Nicholas' cathedral. Pardoned, 1452, as late of Newcastle-on-Tyne, gent. or esq. (m.21); and he died without issue 20 Apr. 1474.

RODNEY, Sir WALTER (1410-67); of Rodney-Stoke. M.P. SOMERSET 1447.

¹ York Wills, 5. 359.

³ Fine Roll, 15 Hen. VII (m.14).

⁵ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. p. 789.

² *Inq. p.m.* Edward IV, Edw. Lisle, i. No. 787.

⁴ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 720.

⁶ Issue Rolls, 18 Hen. VI.

⁷ He had lent money to the convent of Durham, and in 1444 he had letters of fraternity from the convent addressed to him as "learned in the law."

S. of John Rodney of the same (*d.* 1417/8), by his wife, Agnes.¹ *M.* Margaret da. of Walter, lord Hungerford.

He was in ward to Richard Beauchamp, lord Despencer, and later to Walter, lord Hungerford, who married him to his daughter; owned many Somerset manors besides Rodney-Stoke; presented to Blackwell in 1438 and thrice subsequently, and to Saltford in 1442; sheriff of Som. and Dorset, 1439-40; J.P. Somerset, 15 Oct. 1439 till sheriff, and 14 Nov. 1441 to 1461, being of the Hungerford-Lancastrian faction. He was knighted 1445/6, probably at the coronation of Queen Margaret; pardoned 14 Nov. 1446, as Walter Rodney knt. (*m.* 15).

He was called "King's Esquire, late sheriff, and keeper of Ilchester gaol," when he petitioned the Crown in 1441. He was frequently a feoffee for the Hungerfords, 1441-8.² Lord Hungerford in his will, dated 1449, leaves a bed of silk of black and green colours to my da. Margaret, wife of Sir Walter Rodney. He was put on the Duke of York's coun. in Dec. 1455, to help to suppress the troubles in the West. Apparently about 1460/5, Walter Rodney knt., s. of John Rodney, sued Nicholas, abbot of Glastonbury, for the forcible seizure of his manor of North Load during his minority³—which proves his father to be John, not Sir John. In 1463 he was an apportioner of the subsidy in Somerset.⁴

D. 17 Jan. 1467, when Thomas, aged 30, was his s. and h.; lands—Somerset, Glos. and Bristol.

ROGER (ROGGERS), JOHN (1420-90); of Headcorn, Kent. King's Serjeant 1453-61; Constable of Newcastle 1455-8; Teller of the Exchequer 1468-70; Under Treasurer of England 1467-70; bailiff of Sandwich 1468-90. *M.P.* Ludgershall 1455-6; Bletchingley 1460-1, 1467-8, (? 1470-1), 1472-5; Rochester 1478.

Perhaps s. of a John Roger, a Kent elector 1442-9; *m.* (1), by 1468, Allison, (2), after 1486, Parnell.

He was serving at the Exchequer by 1445;⁵ a King's serjeant 1453-61; with Thomas West, joint keeper of the armoury in the Tower, Mar. 1453; and, with Morgan Meredith (*q.v.*), joint keeper of the armouries in the castles of South Wales; surveyor of Hampstead-Marshall, Berks., and of Freemantle park, Hants, June 1453; constable of Newcastle-on-Tyne, 20 May 1455; with other officials he was pardoned, 12 Feb. 1462, as "late of Headcorn, gent., late of Ledys, late of London, esq., late receiver genl. of Edmund (Tudor), earl of Richmond, and of Jasper (Tudor), earl of Pembroke"; and 3 Oct. 1468, as "of London, gent., collr. of tunnage and poundage in the port of London."⁶ £6,500 was due to Roger and others—to be paid from the tunnage and poundage in Sandwich, 24 Aug. 1467. Other loans, which this "King's serjeant" had made, were to be repaid out of the farm of Rochester, 10 June 1468. With his wife Alice he was granted certain woods at Leeds, 28 Sept. 1468. King's bailiff in Sandwich 1468-71.⁷

It will be the same man who was clerk to the Treasurer (Earl Rivers), *i.e.* Under Treasurer of England, in succession to Hugh Fenne (*q.v.*), July 1467 to July 1469,

¹ *Geneal. N.S.* xvii. 19.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/95 & 28/276.

⁵ Issue Roll, East. 23 Hen. VI, No. 757.

⁶ Collector of Customs and subsidy in London also 1466-7 (Issue Rolls, *passim.*).

⁷ Boys, *Sandwich*, p. 424.

² *Tropenell Cart.* ii. 89, 104, 106.

⁴ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

maybe longer.¹ Teller of the Exchequer 1468-70.² It was this officer of the Exchequer who was commanded to seize the lands of Clarence in Kent and Mdsx., 25 Apr. 1470; apptd. deputy butler of Sandwich, 22 June 1471; pardoned, 1 Dec. 1471.³ He and his "brother" John Adams account for Sandwich 1472-9;⁴ Wolsley (*q.v.*), the teller of the Exchequer, owed John Roger (ex-teller) and Alice £200 on 22 Oct. 1476. John Roger was an elector in Kent, 1478, when elected for Rochester; keeper of Leeds castle (whereof Sir Thomas Bouchier was constable) 1473.⁵ His bailiwick of Sandwich was exempted from resumption, 1473,⁶ and a fresh grant of it, to him and wife Alice, was held to have cancelled the £570 they had advanced to the crown, 12 Apr. 1480. This bailiwick was confirmed to him again in Oct. 1480 and in June 1485; he was pardoned, with special reference to it, 22 June 1486.⁷

D. 1490; will, dat. 31 Dec. 1489, pr. 1490. To be buried at Leeds where Alison Rogers, his late wife, is buried. Bequests to Parnell, his present wife (P.C.C., 27 Milles).

It will be noted that he sat for Bletchingley which will have been controlled in those years by the Lady Margaret, wife of Sir Henry Stafford and widow of Edmund Tudor. This John Roger must not be confused with John Rogers of Brianston, Dorset (*d.* 1451); nor with John Rogers (1410-60) of Lambourn, Berks., and Freefolk, Hants (*q.v.*).

ROGER, JOHN (1430-90); of Cambridge. M.P. Cambridge boro' 1472-5.

Perhaps s. of William Roger, treasurer of Cambridge, 1436,⁸ living 1453.⁹

A Cambridge deed of 1470 refers to the garden of John Roger there;¹⁰ and in 1494 receipts refer to an acre of land, the gift of John Roger.¹¹ Thomas Roger was the bailiff of Cambridge who made the 1472 return and he was an elector 1478—obviously a near relation.

ROGERS (ROGER), JOHN, the elder (1410-60); of Benham and Lambourn, Berks., and of Freefolk, Hants, esq., lawyer. M.P. BERKSHIRE 1449 (1); HAMPSHIRE 1453-4.¹² Yorkist.

M. in 1432 Elizabeth da. of John Shottesbroke, and she was surviving 1467.¹³

Sworn to the peace in Berks. 1434; on comns. in Hants and Berks., 1436-59. As of Benham-Valence, Berks., he and others were sued by the bishop of Winchester in Nov. 1450; pardoned, Sept. 1452, as "of Benham, alias of Lambourne, Berks., *alias* of Freefolk, Hants (m.18). J.P. Berks., 22 Mar. 1452 to 11 Dec. 1459; sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 1452-3; elector, Berks., 1450; J.P. Hants, of the quorum, 23 June 1453 to 18 Dec. 1458; pardoned, 12 May 1458, as "late of

¹ Issue Rolls, 7 to 9 Edw. IV. We know certainly of no other Under Treasurer till 1478, when Sir John Say was apptd.

² Issue Rolls, 8 to 9 Edw. IV.

³ As "late of Leeds, late of London, late collr. in London, *alias* bailiff of Sandwich."

⁴ *Enr. Accts.* F. 12 Edw. IV, c.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1473), 374.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 73.

⁷ Pardon Roll, 22 June 1486, as of Leeds, gent., *alias* late of London, *alias* John Rogers and Alice his wife, late bailiff of Sandwich (m.18). It will be observed that they were one bailiff, not two bailiffs—a joint office held in fee.

⁸ C. H. Cooper, *Annals of Cambridge*, i. 186.

⁹ An elector 1442 to 1453.

¹⁰ C. H. Cooper, *op. cit.* I. 217.

¹¹ C. H. Cooper, *op. cit.* I. 244.

¹² Fine Roll, 31 Hen. VI.

¹³ *V.C.H. Berks.* iv. 105.

Lambourne, Berks., sen., esq., *alias* late of Benham, Berks., *alias* late of Fryfolk, Hants, *alias* late of Bury-Blountesden, Wilts., *alias* late sheriff of Oxon. and Berks." (m.20).

He was with the Yorkists at Ludford, and was attainted accordingly in December 1459. He forfeited amongst other matters the stewardship of Hook-Mortimer, 30 May 1460, which he had had with wages of the grant of the Duke of York. He was probably dead by then; certainly he was dead on 27 Nov. 1460 when Thomas Rogers (M.P. 1433-71) of Lambourne s. and h. of John Rogers the elder, esq., was pardoned entry without licence on his father's lands.

ROGERS, ROBERT (1440-95); ald. of Bath. M.P. Bath 1478.

Mayor of Bath 1474-6; alderman from June 1475 at least to June 1492.¹ Robert Rogers, mayor of Bath, and the whole commonalty of the city of Bath leased tenements in Walkote Street to John Slogge, citizen of Bath, 12 May 1476.² In 1488/9 Robert Rogers of Bath was apptd. collector of the 10th and 15th in Somerset.³

ROGERS (ROGER), THOMAS (1433-71); of Lambourn and Benham-Valence, Berks. M.P. BERKSHIRE 1453-4, (? 1455-6), 1460-1. Yorkist.

S. and h. of John Rogers of same, M.P. (1410-60), by Elizabeth da. of John Shottesbroke. John Rogers the yr. was his father's yr. bro.

Pardoned, 27 Nov. 1460, for entering as s. and h., without livery. In Jan. 1461 Thomas and John Roger esqs.,⁴ were comnd. to arrest Lancastrians. An apportioner of the subsidy in Wilts., 1463;⁵ sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 9 Feb. to Oct. 1464; comnr. Berks., 1465; elector, Berks., 1467; J.P. Berks., 12 June 1471 till death. In 1465, as of Speen, Berks., he and Edward Langford (*q.v.*) were mainpernors for John Collingridge.⁶

D. 31 Aug. 1471, when Thomas, aged 16½, was his s. and h. In May 1472, Thomas Isebury—"administrator of the goods of Thomas Rogers esq., late sheriff, *alias* of the diocese of Salisbury, who died intestate"—was pardoned (m.33). The s. Thomas (1455-88) had a da. and h. Elizabeth, born 1474, who carried Lambourne to her husband William Essex.⁷

ROGERS, THOMAS (1434-78); of Bradford, Wilts.; serjeant-at-law 1478. M.P. Marlborough 1472-5.

S. of Thomas Rogers, mayor of Bristol in 1455 and 1460; *m.* (1) *c.* 1456 a da. and coh. of William Besills of Bradford, Wilts., by whom his heir William Rogers; and (2) Katherine, widow of Sir Thomas Pomeroy and da. of a Courtenay of Powderham.⁸ She *rem.* Sir William Huddesfield (*q.v.*) and was mother of George Rogers.⁹

Rogers of Bristol was admtd. to Lincoln's Inn 1454;¹⁰ J.P. Wilts., of the quorum,

¹ *Bath Ancient Deeds*, pp. 39, 66, 69, 93, 106, 126.

² King and Watts, *Municipal Records of Bath*, pp. xxiii and xxiv.

³ Fine Roll, 4 Hen. VII (m.14). ⁴ His father's yr. bro.

⁵ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV. ⁶ Fine Roll, 4 Edw. IV. ⁷ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiii, 26.

⁸ *Visitn. Glos.*, Harl. Soc., 141; *Geneal. N.S.* xii. 238.

⁹ Pardon Roll, 12 July 1509. Katherine Hudlesfeld of Shyllyngford and Exeter, widow and exix. of William Hudlesfeld knt. (*q.v.*), *alias* Kath. Rogers, late wife and exix. of will of Thomas Rogers late of Bradford, Wilts., serjt.-at-law, and George Rogers of Shillingsworth, esq., son of Thomas Rogers (3 m.18). ¹⁰ *Admn. Regr.* 12.

22 July 1461 till death; on Wilts. comns. from 1461, including the Readeption; settled Collingbourne-Valence on himself and son William, July 1469; made serjt.-at-law, 1478.¹

D. 5 Oct. 1478, when William, aged 20, was his s. and h. of lands in Wilts. and Somerset.²

ROKES, JOHN, the elder (1405-65); of Sherborne, Dorset, esq. Receiver of Wallingford 1439-41. M.P. (? Wallingford 1439-40, 1445-6); Hindon 1449 (1); Downton 1449-50.

Sworn to the peace in Berks. 1434; on comns. at Wallingford 1438-39; apptd. receiver of Wallingford (in place of John Brid (*q.v.*)), 28 June 1439, but surrendered this, 10 Mar. 1441; eschr., Wilts. and Hants, 1445-6; eschr., Berks. and Oxon., 1449-50; Berks. elector 1447, 1459; gauger at Southampton, 21 Jan. 1450; controller of customs etc. at Poole and Melcombe, 12 Apr. 1449, and reapptd. yearly till 12 Mar. 1453 when his place is taken by John Rokes the younger. The 1453 M.P. for Melcombe, although not called "younger", is more likely to be the new customer than the old; but the "elder" survived, and as "John Rokes the elder of Sherbourn" he bound himself in £50 to John Rokes (*q.v.*) son of Thomas Rokes (decd.) of Ascot, Bucks., 10 Oct. 1464.³ It will be the elder who was a feoffee of land granted to the abbey of Abingdon in 1452. Apparently he left no issue and his heir was John Rokes junior M.P.

ROKES (ROKIS), JOHN, the younger (1430-90); of Sherborne, Dorset, esq., customer. M.P. Melcombe 1453-4; Wareham 1467-8; Dorchester 1472-5. Lancastrian.

S. of Thomas Rokes of Ascot (*d.* 1450/3) and nephew of John Rokes M.P. (1405-65), and bro. of Thomas Rokes, M.P. (1425-1500).

In Mar. 1453 John Rokes junior was made customer of Poole in place of John Rokes senior, and he was elected for Melcombe that same year. He was pardoned, 5 May 1462, with Lancastrians, as "of Shirborn, Dorset, esq., *alias* late collector of customs in Poole, *alias* gent." (m.23). In Oct. 1464 John Rokes, senior (*q.v.*), of Sherborn, engaged himself in £50 to John Rokes s. of Thomas Rokes of Ascot, Bucks., deceased⁴—which Thomas Rokes was M.P. Bucks. in 1436. John Rokes of Sherborne, gent., was pardoned outlawry for not appearing in July 1471, and it must be he who, as steward of the late Sir Robert Harcourt (*q.v.*) (1410-70), was sued by Harcourt's widow in 1473/5, for bonds long since paid of which she had been despoiled.⁵ Rokes was a comnr. in Bucks. in 1486, but does not occur thereafter.

ROKES, THOMAS (1425-1500); of Ascott and Fawley, Bucks., esq. Servant of Household 1454-61. M.P. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 1472-5.

S. and h. of Thomas Rokes of same (*d.* 1450/3),⁶ by Margery da. and h. of Thomas Sackville;⁷ m. a da. of Fowler of Rycote.⁸

J.P. Bucks., 4 Aug. 1453 to 7 July 1458, and 10 June 1461 to Dec. 1470, and 1 June 1473 to 5 June 1479. On Bucks. comns. 1457, in Oct. 1460 and Apr. 1465.

¹ Haydn, *Book of Dignities*.

² Inq. p.m. 18 Edw. IV, No. 7.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 494.

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 494.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 48/410.

⁶ An elector in Bucks. 1449 (2); his son J.P. and not called "junior" 1453.

⁷ *Geneal. N.S.* xx. pp. 28, 31, 95.

⁸ Berry, *Bucks. Pedigrees*.

But he was also of the Household, for Thomas Rokes, clerk of the accounts, was allowed one yeoman by the Privy Council, 1454,¹ and as King's server (*dapifer*) he was made keeper of the lions in the Tower, Oct. 1460, paid at the usual rate out of Bucks.—which proves his identity. Eschr., Beds. and Bucks., 1461–2; apportioner of subsidy in Bucks., 1463;² removed from the bench by Warwick, 1470; elected 1472; pardoned 1473;³ helped to found a guild at Stoney-Stratford 1476; sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1477–8. After prolonged litigation he obtained "Falley", Bucks., from the Sackvilles, 1475–81;⁴ failed to go to Calais as he should, tarrying at Fawley, Jan. 1482; eschr. again 1483–4; pardoned, Dec. 1485; comnr. Mar. 1486; sheriff again 1486–7 (with a £70 reward).

D. 1500; will, dat. 1500, pr. at Canterbury, same year. To be bur. at Fawley; Flocton, &c., Suffolk, to wife Elizabeth for life; "Redelsworth," Norf., to s. William and heirs up to 100s. a year; s. Thomas to have Riddlesworth, remainder to s. Richard. Fawley to wife for life, reversion to s. Thomas, remainder to right heirs. For mother church of Lincoln 12*d*. Residue to exors, Humphrey Wellisborne esq., and Edmund Ayleyarde, clerk. (Cant. Cath. Lib. Reg. F. ff. 19*d*–20.)

ROKESLEY (ROKESLE), JOHN (1410–72); of London, brewer. M.P. Southwark 1449 (1).

His bro. Robert was murdered in 1445, and Henry Elvedon, gent., John Smith, yeoman, and John Chidcroft, gent., all of Southwark, were outlawed at his suit for the death. Long after, in 1467, Henry Elvedon of Southwark, gent., was pardoned for the death and for his outlawry in Yorkshire.⁵ John Rokesley was purveying cattle to the Household in 1448 and 1451.

But John Rokesley was dead in 1472, for, on 29 Aug. John Cawode entered into a bond of £40 for the payment to the chamber of Aldermen of £40 to the use of John⁶ and Agnes, children of John Rokesley, late brewer.⁷

ROKIS see ROKES.

RONGE (ROUGE *alias* WRONG), JOHN (1400–55); of Colchester. M.P. Colchester 1449–50.

Ronge was on a comn. for the arrest of sailors in Essex in 1435; bailiff of Colchester, 1436, 1441, 1443 and 1447. In Dec. 1439, there being famine in the land, John Ronge and other merchants of Colchester had licence to buy barley in Norfolk and Suffolk and ship the same to Colchester. Pardoned, 21 July 1446, as John Ronge of Colchester (m.8).

ROOS, JOHN (1405–60); of Laxton, Notts. M.P. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1449 (1).

M. c. 1425, Isabel, lady of Laxton, da. and coh. of Miles de Etton, and had a s. and h., Robert.⁸

Probably eschr., Worcs., 1434–5;⁹ in France in Jan. 1436, when he was serjeant

¹ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 227.

² Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

³ Thomas Rokes esq., *alias* of Ascot, Bucks., *alias* late eschr. in Beds. and Bucks. (m.30).

⁴ See note ⁷ on p. 724.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1467), 47.

⁶ John Rokesley the son was dead by 1480/3, leaving a widow Margery, and his heirs were his married sisters, Agnes Markes, and Agnes Myller, and his unmarried sis. Jane, holding land at Erith, Kent.

⁷ *Letter Book L.* 106.

⁸ *Comp. Peer.* v. 193; *Harl. Soc.* iv. p. 92.

⁹ This, however, may be John Roos of Ragley, Warw., esq., who was pardoned in 1458.

to John Burgh esq., lieut. of Cherbourg. He was certainly the eschr., Notts. and Derbys., 1443-4; possibly the J.P. Warw., 12 Feb. 1444 till 1461; elector, Notts., 1447, 1450; on comns. Notts. and Warw. 1450-8. Roos was granted, Sept. 1446, the subsidy and ulnage on cloths for sale in N'hants. and Rutland—revoked Feb. 1449; a feoffee for Laurence Cheyne (q.v.) in 1449; pardoned the King's suit for the killing of Gabriel Shambet of Savoy, Jan. 1453.

If the Warwickshire J.P. is the Notts. M.P., he probably died 1460/1.

ROSE (ROUS), Sir HENRY (1435-1504); of West Grinstead. Constable of Roxburgh 1458-60. M.P. SUSSEX 1491-2.

S. and h. of Sir Robert Roos;¹ *m.* (1) Margaret, lady Powys (*d.* Jan. 1481),² (2) Maud who survived him—no issue.

Pardoned, 16 Feb. 1458, as const. of Roxburgh, s. and h. of Sir Robert Roos; already a knt. when reported to be in Scotland with Queen Margaret after Towton;³ and he was not pardoned till 26 Feb. 1472 when he is described as knt., without any domicile. Elector, Sussex, 1472;⁴ feoffee of Basing, Hants, for John Poulet, 1475; sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1476-7; J.P. Sussex, 22 Nov. 1478 till death; pardoned 1483 (1 Ric. III) as of West Grinstead, late sheriff; on Sussex comns. 1484 onwards, mostly array, or *oyer & terminer* 1495, subsidy comnr. (apptd. in Parlt.) 1504;⁵ jointly with Thomas, lord Burgh of Gainsboro, he was made steward of the lands in England of Edmund, lord Roos, 15 Mar. 1486; at Court, at the creation of the Duke of York, 1494. He was joined with Empson and Dudley in a demise to the earl of Surrey and õrs. of Colstaple in Horsham, Feb. 1504.⁶

D. 1504; will, dat. 1 Oct., pr. 1504—Henry Roos, knt., to be bur. in ch. of West Grinstead. Bequests to Matilde Herberd £20; to wife Matilde, and she sole exix. Master Gerard Burell, archdeacon of Chichester, supervisor.⁷

ROTHERHAM, JOHN (1432-92); of Canterbury and of Someries by Luton, Beds., esq.; lawyer. Customer of Sandwich 1469-72. M.P. Canterbury 1472-5; BEDFORDSHIRE 1478, (? 1483 Jan.).

Born at Rotherham, s. of Sir John Rotherham *alias* Scott of Rotherham by Alice,⁸ and bro. of Thomas Rotherham (bp. of Rochester 1468-71, of Lincoln, 1472-80, archbp. of York 1480-1500, Keeper of the Privy Seal 1467-74; Lord Chancellor 1474-83). *M.* by 1469 Alice da. and h. of John Winter (*q.v.*) of Canterbury, widow of William Denington and of Thomas Forster,⁹ by whom he had Sir Thomas, George, and a da. Alice, who *m.* Thomas St. George of Hatley.¹⁰

Educated at Eton and admtd. to Kings College, Cambridge, 1448; made freeman of Canterbury 1469; apptd. controller of customs at Sandwich, 8 Nov. 1469 and again, 10 June 1471; M.P. Canterbury 1472. Then he moved to Someries; J.P. Beds., of the quorum, 22 Oct. 1472 till death; sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1476-7; on Beds. comns. often heading the list, 1474 to 1484, including

¹ Pardon Roll 1458—the contemporary Henry Rous “of Denington” was s. of Reynold Rous (*q.v.*).

² Fine Roll, 20 Edw. IV (m.14).

³ *Paston Letters*, ii. 46.

⁴ Though knt. yet second on the list of electors, following “John Dudley esq.”—or Hon. John Dudley as we should now call him.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 541.

⁷ P.C.C., 15 Holgrave.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 53/164.

⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 387.

⁸ Harl. MS. 4600; *Harl. Soc.* xix.

¹⁰ *Misc. Gen. & Hen.* iii. 78.

all those of 1483-4, except the array of March 1484. With his bro. he founded a guild and chantry at Luton, 1474, and was its first master, 1475. Canterbury gave him a dinner for his many benefactions 1480/1.¹ Again sheriff of Beds. and Bucks., 1488-9.

D. shortly before 10 Aug. 1492, when writs *diem clausit* were sent to the eschrs. of Beds., Herts. and Kent.² Will of John Rotherham of Someries, Witham and Luton, Beds., dat. 29 July 1492, pr. 27 Jan. 1493. To be bur. in his chapel at St. Thomas's, Luton. To wife Alice the manor of Houghton-Witham, with reversion to son Thomas. Other lands in Canterbury to son George; bequest to da. Alice. Residue to wife Alice, and she exix. with his bro. the Archbp., John Blyth, Doctor of Laws, and the Archdeacon of Richmond and Huntingdon.³

ROTHES (ROTYS), JOHN (1465-1520); of Sussex. M.P. Bramber 1491-2.

On 2 Jan. 1501 John Rotys paid 13s. 4d. for a writ of ingress;⁴ a Sussex comnr. 1505; comnr. of sewers in Pevensey marsh, 1508; J.P. Sussex, 23 Sept. 1512 till death, after 15 Nov. 1515.

ROUDON see RODEN.

ROUGE see RONGE.

ROULOND see ROWLAND.

ROUS (ROOS), REYNOLD (1405-64); of Dennington, Suffolk. Norfolk's servant; ? lawyer. M.P. Dunwich 1437, (? 1439-40), 1442.

Yr. s. of Robert Rous by Margery, da. and h. of Richard Roys; m. Elizabeth, da. and h. of — Denston, of Dennington, Suffolk, and he is the ancestor of the present earl of Stradbroke.

A witness to a Suffolk deed, 1431;⁵ elector, Suffolk, 1437; J.P. Suffolk, 6 Apr. 1439 till death; on many Suffolk comns. from 1439 till 1463 including sewers and gaol delivery, and the Lancastrian array in Dec. 1459; "feid with my lord of Northfolke", 1440;⁶ pardoned July 1446, as of Denington, gent. (m.10); feoffee for Robert Clere of Ormsby (*q.v.*), and exor. of the will of William Shelton, 1451; one of those who informed against Robert Ledham for riot, 1454;⁷ again pardoned with the Lancastrians, Nov. 1455, described as before (m.17). In 1463 he was an apportioner of the subsidy for Suffolk, when M.P.s were not appointed.⁸

The *Paston Letters* tell us without regret, 12 May 1464, that "Rowse of Suffolk is dead."⁹ Will, dat. 30 Apr., pr. Nov. 1464.¹⁰ To be bur. at Denington. Bequests to wife Elizabeth. His da., Anne, to be m. to his ward, Thomas Fastolf. The settlement of his wife's dowry is left with the exors. of the will of his bro.-in-law, John Denston. Exors. :—his sons Henry and Robert, and John Norfolk, clerk. Overseers :—John Heydon, and Roger Drury.

¹ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* ix. App. 1.

² Fine Roll, 7 Hen. VII (m.3).

³ P.C.C., 20 Dogett.

⁴ Fine Roll, 16 Hen. VII (m.7).

⁵ *Cal. Cl. Roll* (1431), 130.

⁶ Touching a suit of Reginald Rous *versus* William Burgess. This suit was instituted originally for 5s. 4d. rent; but when Rous found that he could not prevail by right, he maliciously sued the other for trespass in having fished his water and driven him away by force. He afterwards got him arrested upon an obligation. Judge Paston advised Burgess not to plead, as Rouse "is feid with my lord of Northfolke, and much he is of his counsel" (*Paston Letters*, i. 42).

⁷ *ibid.* i. 277.

⁸ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

⁹ *Paston Letters*, ii. 160.

¹⁰ P.C.C., 12 Godyn.

ROUS, THOMAS (1447-90); of Eton, Bucks. Yeoman of the Avenary 1471-5. M.P. Wallingford 1472-5.

Perhaps s. of John Rous of Warw. (*d.* 1476).¹

In Jan. 1472, and repeatedly down to July 1474, Thomas Rosse, yeoman of the avenary of the Household, was apptd. to take hay, etc., for the Household.² It may be the same man (Roos) who as citizen and merchant of London, complains in 1482 that his ship had been looted in 1479.³ Certainly the M.P. for Wallingford and yeoman of the Household will be the Thomas Rous who died in 1489/90 as of Eton, Bucks., "yeoman". Will, dat. 4 May 1489, pr. 10 Feb. 1491.⁴ To be bur. in church of Eton. Bequests to das. Elizabeth and Florence. Residue to Agnes his wife. Exors:—Agnes, Thomas Burgeys of Westminster, Abraham Cheke.

ROUS, WILLIAM (1410-70); Clerk of the Crown in Chancery 1443-70. M.P. Horsham 1449 (1); Reigate 1449-50.

Perhaps s. of Robert Rous by Margery, da. and h. of Richard Roys, and therefore yr. bro. of Reynold Rous of Dennington, Suffolk, M.P. (1405-64).

William Rous, servant of the earl of Suffolk, was paid "for special secret matters", 4 June 1442.⁵ He was granted the reversion, on the death of Richard Sturgeon, of the office of clerk of the crown in chancery with £20 a year, May 1442; and from 24 Nov. 1443 he had a pension of 20 marks a year for life for good service.⁶ Moreover, the Parlt. of 1449-50 (in which he sat) exempted him from resumption in respect of office and pension. In July 1450, after the rising of Parlt., Rous was comsmd. to seize the goods, in London and the suburbs, late of William, bp. of Salisbury, deceased; but in Nov. 1450 the office of clerk of the almonery of chancery was taken from William Rous and granted to Nicholas Baley. The almonery was something different, for in 1455 clothes were delivered to William Rous, as clerk of the crown in chancery.⁷ He was paid in Oct. 1455 for taking a message to the earl of Wilts.⁸

When the Yorkists came he continued in his office, with the old fee, re-granted to him in July 1461 and again 1465; he sued John Hole, a feoffee of Sir Roger Chamberlain (*q.v.*), for tenements in London which he had bought from Sir William Oldhall 1460.⁹

D. shortly before 12 Oct. 1470, when a new grant was made of the office of clerk of the crown, *vice* William Rous deceased. He is not William Rous of Inner, Wilts.¹⁰

ROWE, THOMAS DEL (1405-55); of Chilham, Kent. Clerk of the Common Bench; lawyer. M.P. Horsham 1449 (1).

An attorney—Kent, Lincs., Cambs.—on the plea rolls of 1439. In 1443, at the time of the trouble between Norwich and the King, Wetherby, the citizen of Norwich who had begun the quarrel, briefed Thomas del Rowe as attorney for the city. Rowe defended in the morning, but in the afternoon, with no just reason,

¹ John Rous *d.* 28 Mar. 1476, when Thomas, aged 28, was his s. and h., of lands in Co. Warwick (*Inq. p.m.* 16 Edw. IV, No. 51).

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls, sub annis.*

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1482), 313.

⁴ P.C.C., 41 Milles.

⁵ Issue Roll, 20 Hen. VI, No. 745, *et seq.*

⁶ *ibid.*, East., 23 Hen. VI, No. 757.

⁷ *Enr. Accts.* 361/6.

⁸ Issue Roll, 32 Hen. VI, No. 809.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 29/94.

¹⁰ *Ex inf.* Mr. Young of Oare.

he entirely relinquished his plea.¹ He was one of the clerks of the Common Bench, and jointly with John Ulveston, receiver of Eton College, obtained a grant in Oct. 1444 of the office of keeper of the writs and rolls of the Common Bench. Returned for Horsham, 1449; justice of gaol delivery at Aylesbury, 1452; a comnr. of sewers on the Thames, Oct. 1452.

In 1456 he was dead, for Laurence Leventhorp (*q.v.*) and Thomasine, his wife, late wife of Thomas del Rowe, sued "Sir" John del Rowe, feoffee of Thomas, for a messuage and lands in Chilham, Kent.²

ROWLAND, JOHN (1410-64); of Brasted, Kent. M.P. Midhurst 1442.

Sir Roger Fiennes (*q.v.*) of Hurstmonceaux ruled Sussex, and on 10 Apr. 1436 a mandate to reside was issued to John Rowland, born in Mechlin, dwelling at Hurstmonceaux. This alien may well be a servant of Fiennes and the M.P. for Midhurst. He probably died Aug. 1464, married to a wife Juliana. Will dat. and pr. in Aug. 1464. John Rowland, of Brasted, Kent. To be bur. in St. Martin's, Brasted. Lands and goods to his wife Juliana. Exors:—wife Juliana, and John and Thomas Lake of Brasted.³

ROWLAND (ROULOND), JOHN (1425-85); of Plymouth and of Norton, Corn.; lawyer, customer. M.P. Plymouth 1467-8. Yorkist.

An attorney, Cornwall, on the 1459 plea rolls; mayor of Plymouth 1463-66, 1469-70;⁴ as of London, gent., with Robert Betts, he was mainpernor for Thomas Bynde in Devon, 12 June 1471.⁵ John Horne of St. Clement's Danes and Nicholas Henscote (*q.v.*) were mainpernors for John Rowland and Nicholas Henscote in Devon and Cornwall, 14 Nov. 1471;⁵ pardoned, 1472, "of Plymouth, gent., late of Norton, Corn., junior, gent.", and in Nov. 1477 as late customer in Plymouth and Fowey.

RUCK (RUGG), RALPH (1425-80); of Chichester. M.P. Chichester 1459.

He was an elector of Chichester 1453, 1460 (Rukke), 1472 (Ruck).

RUDDING (RUDYNG), WILLIAM; of Warwick, gent. M.P. Warwick boro' 1442.

There was a William Rudding, M.P. for the same town in 1399, and there was a John Rudding of Coventry, gent., coroner, pardoned 1462.

On 14 July 1444, William Rudyng of Warwick, gent., and John Touke of Dover (*q.v.*) were mainpernors for William Beaufitz in Purleigh, Essex.⁶

RUDHALE, WILLIAM (1460-1530); of Rudhale. Attorney genl. to Prince of Wales and to Queen Catherine 1496-1530; Serjt.-at-law 1521-30. M.P. HEREFORDSHIRE 1491-2 and probably often thereafter. Summoned as serjt.-at-law (? 1523), 1529-30.

S. of John Rudhale; *m.* Anne 3rd da. and coh. of Simon Milborne of Tillington, Heref., and Icomb, Glos.⁷

Entered Inner Temple (of which he was bencher 1506); on Heref. comns. from 1489, sewers and gaol delivery; J.P. Heref., of the quorum, 3 Sept. 1492 till death; attorney general to Prince of Wales, 1496-1502; a justice in eyre and added

¹ Hudson and Tingey, *Records of Norwich*, I. p. xci.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 25/186.

³ P.C.C., 5 Godyn.

⁴ R. N. Worth, *Hist. of Plymouth*, 126.

⁵ Fine Roll, 11 Edw. IV (m.12). ⁶ Fine Roll, 22 Hen. VI (m.4). ⁷ Williams, *Heref. M.P.s.*

to the bench in 7 other counties, 1503-9; attorney general to the Queen at the coronation 1509;¹ made steward of Hereford 1511-3; serjt.-at-law by 1521; of the Queen's council, 1529; a justice of assize on Midland circuit 1523-4;² King's serjt.-at-law by 1530.

D. 22 Mar. 1530, when John, aged 4 on 6 Dec. 1529, son of John son of William, was his g.s. and h.; lands in Worcs.³ Buried in Ross ch., M.I. Will pr. 27 July 1530.⁴

RUDYNG see RUDDING.

RUGG see RUCK.

RUKYN, THOMAS. M.P. Carlisle 1459.

The surname is not found in any northern county.

RUSHE, WILLIAM. M.P. Melcombe 1491-2.

Undiscovered, but perhaps father of Sir Thomas Rush, knt. of the Body to Henry VIII.⁵

RUSSE, JOHN (1430-92); of Yarmouth. Collector of Yarmouth 1473; Deputy Butler 1479; Servant to John Paston. M.P. Yarmouth 1467-8, 1472-5, 1478, 1483 (1).

He writes to John Paston in 1456 that he had entered Cowhaw to collect—"ferm of rents,"⁶ and in writing, Aug. 1461, he calls himself Paston's servant.⁷ Russe and Robert Glover were sending a ship with corn to Flanders in Nov. 1461.⁸ He asked Paston in Apr. 1462, should Lord Worcester be made Treasurer, to get him (Russe) made controller or searcher at Yarmouth, "which Paston should be able to get for one of his servants."⁹ The depositions touching Sir John Fastolf's will say that John Russe was illiterate; "did not understand Latin," and contradicted the witnesses on his own side. "It is said that Russe used to go to Yarmouth on Saturday to buy provisions for Fastolf's house," and he was a tenant of Fastolf's.¹⁰ Paston and Howes were alleged to have bribed witnesses, among others Russe, to whom had been offered lands at half their value.¹¹ Bailiff of Yarmouth, returning himself to Parlt. 1467. In 1472 Paston supported Dr. Aleyn and John Russe for election at Yarmouth.¹² Then Russe had special admission to Lincoln's Inn, Hillary 1473¹³—i.e. while M.P. He was pardoned, 20 Mar. 1473, "of Yarmouth, merchant, *alias* late collector in Yarmouth, *alias* late Burgess of Yarmouth"—and it is important to note that he was called burgess of Yarmouth *while* M.P. for the boro'.

Bailiff of Yarmouth 1466, 1467, 1470, 1471, 1476, 1477, 1478, returning himself on certainly two occasions. Appointed deputy butler there 1479. Pardoned, 5 Mar. 1483, after Parliament was dissolved, "of Yarmouth, merchant, *alias* late

¹ L. & P., Hen. VIII, i. 43.

² *ibid.* iii. pp. 1316, 2732; iv. pp. 55, 56.

³ Inq. p.m. 22 Hen. VIII, No. 114.

⁴ Of Rudhales, Heref., King's Serjt.-at-law. To be bur. with Christian burial wherever he may die. Bequests to Hereford cathedral; for reparation of the West bridge at Gloucester; to "my patient sister" late w. of John a Madoc; to Anne my beloved w.; to John my s. and h.; to Charles my yr. s. Exors. :—his two sons and Mr. Robert Hering. Supervisor, Mr. Thomas Inglefield, justice of Common Bench (26 Jankyn).

⁵ L. & P., Hen. VIII, v. p. 372.

⁶ Paston Letters, i. 390-1.

⁷ *ibid.* ii. 37-39.

⁸ *ibid.* ii. 70.

⁹ *ibid.* ii. 96-7.

¹⁰ *ibid.* ii. 155-8.

¹¹ *ibid.* ii. 272.

¹² *ibid.* iii. 55.

¹³ Adm. Regs. p. 18.

bailiff, *alias* gent., *alias* one of the two collectors of subsidy and customs in Yarmouth, *alias* late clerk of the deputy Butler in Yarmouth, *alias* burgess" (m.3). M.P. Yarmouth again in 1483 (1), "if the bishop does not get his nomination."¹ In 1486 and again 1487 he and others, collectors of subsidy in Yarmouth, paid in £50.² In 1487 and again in 1488 he was one of those told off to oversee the Cinque Ports wafers to protect shippers and fishers.

D. Oct. 1492. His wife Christine and son Robert predeceased him. Lands in Westleton, Suffolk, in right of Christine.

RUSSELL (*alias* GASCOIGNE), HENRY (1400-63/4); of Weymouth. Ship-owner, customer, deputy butler. M.P. Weymouth 1425, 1427-8, 1433, 1442.

S. of Stephen Russell³ of same (*d.* 1438) by Alice, h. of la Tour; ⁴ *m.* (1) Elizabeth (*d.* 1455) da. and coh. of John Herring, and (2) Isabel Hymerford (*d.* 1479).⁵ By Elizabeth he was gt.g. father of John Russell, 1st earl of Bedford.

An elector at Weymouth 1431, 1432, 1435, 1437, and for the county 1431, 1449 (1), 1460, omitting always the occasions when he was returned. Sworn to the peace in Dorset 1434, in which year he witnessed a Weymouth deed. Bailiff of Weymouth, Mich. 1440-1.⁶ Apptd. a collr. of customs at Dartmouth and Exeter, Nov. 1440;⁷ and with Hugh Yon had £40 reward for the same, 21 Nov. 1441;⁸ pardoned likewise, Nov. 1441, as of Weymouth, mercht., *alias* Henry Gascoigne of Weymouth. With Adam Moleyns (later bp. of Chichester, then Privy Seal) he was licensed to found a guild and chantry at Weymouth, May 1442. He was ship-owner as well as merchant, for the directions for the safe keeping of the seas issued by Parlt. in 1442 (the Parlt. in which he sat) mentions a barge and "spyne" (pinnacle) to be had of Henry Russell of Weymouth.⁹ About this time Richard, abbot of Alcester, Warw., sued Henry Russell, *alias* Gascoyn esq., of Weymouth, for the manor of "Blynchfeld", Dorset.¹⁰ Pardoned, 1446¹¹ and 1452;¹² apptd. to levy £50 in Weymouth, Apr. 1454; had licence to alienate land to his chantry, July 1455; apptd. deputy butler in Melcombe and Poole, Nov. 1455; pardoned by the Yorkist govt. Aug. 1462.¹³

D. between 31 Oct. 1463 and Oct. 1464;¹⁴ bur. in Holy Trinity, Dorchester.¹⁵ He was probably called *alias* Gascoyne because he traded with Bordeaux, and must be distinguished from Henry Russell, the Norfolk attorney (1440-70).

¹ *Paston Letters*, iii. 431. ² Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 90.

³ Mayo, *Mun. Rec. of Dorchester*, No. 517.

⁴ Assise Rolls 1531, m.11; *ibid.* 1536, m.9. The pedigree of Alice recited before the juror at these courts proves that the Russells did inherit Berwick from a de la Tour heiress, contrary to the statement made by Dr. J. Horace Round in his monograph on The Origin of the Russells in *Peerage and Pedigree*, ii.

⁵ Exch. Inq. *p.m.*, Ser. 1, file 240, 6, *per* Miss G. Scott Thomson.

⁶ Exch. K.R. Mem. R., "Mich. Recorda," m.xxiv.

⁷ Exch. K.R. Mem.R. 218, "Mich. Recorda," m. vi. *d.*

⁸ Issue Roll, E. 403/744, m.5.

⁹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 59.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/503.

¹¹ Of Weymouth, *alias* Gascoigne, mercht.

¹² *alias* mercht., *alias* Gasken, of Dorset.

¹³ Of Weymouth, gent., *alias* of Dorchester, *alias* mercht. (m.18).

¹⁴ G. Scott Thomson, *Two Centuries of Family History*.

¹⁵ This tomb showed, and now proves, the arms of Russell, as well as the coat presumably of Hymerford. The Inquest of 1479 settles the matter and disproves the well-known monograph by Dr. J. Horace Round on the "Origin of the Russells" (E. A. Fry and Miss G. Scott Thomson).

RUSSELL, JOHN (1400-55); of Melcombe. Clerk of the Exchequer. M.P. Melcombe 1427-8, 1432, 1435, 1437; Weymouth 1449-50.

Perhaps bro. of Henry Russell M.P. (1400-63/4), but he may possibly be the John Russell of Lidiard Millicent who was elected for Calne in 1426, and for Wilts. in 1450.¹

Elector, Melcombe, 1427, 1429, 1432, 1435, 1437. In Oct. 1440 John Russell, clerk in the Exchequer, was repaid expenses in connection with detaining ships, etc., for the passage of Lord Scales and others of the King's retinue to France from the port of Poole; and in Feb. and Nov. 1441 there were similar payments for shipping the Duke of York to France.² He was a comnr., dealing with shipping at Poole in 1440 and 1441. The boroughs of Melcombe and Weymouth adjoin and were afterwards united. The Lidiard Millicent John is more likely than the Melcombe John to have been the bailiff for Wells Cathedral in 1455 and 1461, who was in jail at Ilchester in 1455.³

RUSSELL, JOHN (1405-69); of Lydiard Millicent, Wilts. M.P. Calne 1426; WILTSHIRE 1450-1. Yorkist.

S. of Thomas Russell⁴ by Sibil (Nicholas); *m.* (1) Katherine, (2) Lettice.

He settled his estates, Sept. 1451;⁵ pardoned 3 July 1452, as of "Lydiard Millicent, Wilts., esq." He held some office under the Duke of York at Fastern, Wilts., which he lost on the Duke's forfeiture in 1459. Russell's treasons, as a Yorkist, were pardoned in Mar. 1460 for a fine of £40 at the Exchequer. When the Yorkists came to power he was an elector in Wilts. 1460, and put on a Wilts. comn. in Sept. 1461.

D. 1469. Will of John Russell of "Hullavington", Wilts. esq., dat. 6 Oct. 1469, enrolled with the mayor and bailiffs of Oxford.⁶ His s. and h. John *d.* 6 May 1471, and in Feb. 1472 the surviving trustees of his settled lands (Lyneham and Ebbisham) demised them to William Collingbourn (Russell's heir), William Temse, William Peche and John Butler for the use of Collingbourn.

RUSSELL, JOHN (1431/2?-1505); of Berwick on Swyre, Dorset, esq. Capt. of Artillery 1461; yeoman of the Avenary 1472. M.P. DORSET 1472-5.

S. and h. of Henry Russell of Weymouth M.P. (1400-63/4) by Elizabeth (Herring); *m.* Elizabeth (or Alice) da. of John Froxmere of Droitwich.⁸

¹ Miss G. Scott Thomson, *Two Centuries of Family History*, p. 104.

² Issue Rolls, *passim*.

³ *Hist. MSS. Com.* iii. p. 364.

⁴ S. of Sir Robert Russell s. of Sir Oliver. Sir Oliver's yr. s. John left a da. and h. Jane who *m.* Collingbourne and was grandmother to William Collingbourne (36 in 1471) cousin and h. to John Russell of Lidiard.

⁵ In Sept. 1451 he had vested his lands in trustees—John Langley esq., John Dewall esq., Robert Collingbourn esq., Walter Bagge, clerk, John Lynam, clerk, and William Ebiesham.

⁶ Prayers for souls of Sir Robert Russell, Thomas Russell, Sibil Russell, Katherine Russell and John Russell (grandfather, parents and first wife). Plate to the church of Lidiard for that obit. To his w. Lettice his land in Salisbury and the tenement in which William Shirwood dwells; also land in Bradfield by Malmesbury and a toft in Wootton-Bassett for life, as her jointure, with reversion to his s. John and his heirs of body. To da. Alice for her marriage 100 marks. Residue to Lettice his w. and she sole exix. Supervisor, Sir John Willoughby. Witnesses—Mr. William Goodyer, D.C.L., Richard Gilbert of diocese of Salisbury, gent., and William Baker of Hungerford, gent. (Oxford Old White Book, 125b).

⁷ In 1456 he was found h. to his grandfather Herring, being then 24 (Chan. Inn. *p.m.*, Hen. VI, file 162, No. 21.)

⁸ G. Scott Thomson, *Two Centuries of Family History*.

Heir to his grandfather, John Herring, in 1456;¹ comnr. of array in Isle of Wight 1456 and 1457; elector, Dorset, 1460; one of the five constables of the Isle of Wight in the service of the governor of Carisbrook castle, Dec. 1460; had custody of the artillery at Carisbrook from 4 Mar. 1461 at 3*d.* a day; took the muster of the force for France at Weymouth, 23 June 1475. We may suppose that he is the John Russell, King's servitor, who was granted the custody of the New Inn at Fotheringhay in 1475. If so, he was probably the man made yeoman of the avenary of the Household 1472; probably the man who sold land to Magdalen College, Oxon. in 1475; probably the eschr. of Oxon. and Berks. in 1484; almost certainly the Dorset comnr. of 1492 and 1501.

D. 1505, bur. at Swyre M.I.; so he probably lived at Berwick, Dorset.² His s. James *d.* 1509 and was father of John the first earl.³

RUSSELL, ROBERT (1405-61); of Strensham. M.P. WORCESTER-SHIRE 1435, 1439-40.

S. of William Russell (s. of Sir John), by Anne da. and coh. of Thomas Hoddington;⁴ *m.* by 1423 Elizabeth eld. da. of John Throckmorton of Coughton M.P., his colleague in Parlt.

Eschr., Worcs., 1435-6; elector, Worcs., 1442; sub-sheriff, Worcs., 1442-3; comnr. to raise a loan in Worcs. 1449. At Christmas 1441 Russell was a feoffee of Wantings, Berks., for his wife's sis. Agnes, wife of Thomas Wynslow (M.P.).⁵

D. 1461, for on 11 Feb. 1462 Elizabeth Russell of Strensham, Worcs., widow of Robert Russell, late of same, appears on the pardon roll. Issue, Robert, *d.* 1494.⁶

RUSSELL, THOMAS; of Hythe. M.P. Hythe 1442, 1445-6.

It is possible, though not probable, that he is the Thomas Russell, M.P. for Midhurst 1419, Reigate 1432, East Grinstead 1433.⁷ In June 1447 Thomas Russell was bailiff of Hythe.⁸

RUSSELL, THOMAS; of Bristol. M.P. Bristol 1461-2.

Thomas not found—the name was supplied by Miss Harding. Williams gives the font name as John. There was, however, an earlier Thomas Russell of Bristol who *m.* Jane, both mentioned in will of Alexr. Bagenham, clerk, 9 Feb. 1413.⁹ In any case he may well be the son of Robert Russell who sat for Bristol, 1416, 1419, 1433.

RYKEDON see RICKDON.

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SACHEVERELL (SAUCHEVEREL), JOHN (1400-55); of Hopwell and of Aston-on-Trent, esq. M.P. DERBYSHIRE 1449 (1), 1449-50.

S. of Robert Sacheverell of Hopwell. He is said to have *m.* Anne, da. of Roger Leech.¹⁰

Elector, Derbys., 1431, 1437; of Aston-on-Trent in 1436, and occurs again there in 1450, when he granted letters of attorney to Thomas Duffeld and William

¹ See note 7 on p. 732.

² Hutchins, *Dorset*, ii. 785.

³ Dr. J. Horace Round, *Peerage and Family History*, 268, citing Boro' Records of Weymouth.

⁴ *V.C.H. Worcestershire*, iv. 204.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 195.

⁶ Nash, *Worcestershire*, ii. 395.

⁷ A man of this name was also an elector in Mdsx. in 1460.

⁸ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* iv. 433.

⁹ Bristol Wills, 97.

¹⁰ *Visitn., Leicestershire*, 45.

Cobyn to deliver seisin to Ralph Sacheverell his son and Elizabeth, Ralph's wife, of all his lands of Aston-on-Trent. Ralph his son was *m.* in 1450, John Sacheverell therefore cannot be the man of that name who was J.P. for Derbys. 1481-3. This John was probably Ralph's son John, *d.* 1489.¹

SACHEVERELL see CHEVERELL.

SACKVILLE, JOHN (1423-73); of Buckton, Devon. Keeper of Exeter castle 1446-62; lawyer. M.P. Weymouth 1463-5,² 1467-8.

S. of John Sackville; *m.* an heiress Jane (*d.* 1489), and had issue three *das.*³

Admtd. to Lincoln's Inn 1443;⁴ pardoned, 23 Jan. 1447, "son and heir of John Sackville, *alias* keeper of Exeter castle" (m.31); and again 1452, "of Buketon, Devon, gent., *alias* late gaoler of Exeter castle" (m.31). Elector, Devon, 1449 (2), 1450, 1472. Pardoned with other Lancastrian officials, 7 Feb. 1462, "keeper of Exeter gaol for Henry VI and Edward IV, *alias* of Buketon, gent." (m.45). In Mar. 1470 he was one of the followers of Clarence whose arrest was ordered, together with the Courtenays. In 1474/5 Lincoln's Inn received 3s. 2d. from Sakevill, Croftes, Robson and Limberry for costs in the suit against them for arrears of pension.⁵

D. 24 Mar. 1473, when Jane, aged 24, wife of John Copplestone, and Sybil, aged 21, were his *das.* and *hs.*

SACKVILLE (SAKFELD), RICHARD (1459/60⁶-1524); of Whetham, Sussex.

M.P. SUSSEX 1495.

S. and h. of Humphrey Sackville of same (*d.* 1488), by Catherine da. of Thomas Hoo; *m.* by 1488 Isabel da. and h. of Jane sis. and coh. of John Clifton of Selling, Kent.⁷

On Sussex comns. from the array of 1490, including the subsidy of 1504 and 1523; and sewers from July 1508; J.P. Sussex, 6 Feb. 1491 to 8 July 1505, and 24 Feb. 1508 till death; a feoffee for William Heneage in Sussex, 1502; a feoffee of Brabourne, Kent, 1504; had lent money to the King 1504.

D. 28 July 1524, when John, aged 40, was his s. and h.; lands—Sussex, Essex.⁸ His will was proved 1524—Richard Sackville of "Whitheham", Sussex.⁹ Whence come the Sackville-Wests.

SADLER see WALFORD, ROBERT.

SADLER, *alias* DAVY,¹⁰ JOHN (1420-85); of Wells; merchant. M.P. Wells 1455-6.

¹ *Ex inf.* Rev. S. P. H. Statham.

² An agreement made on 8 Apr. 1463 between the bailiffs of Weymouth and John Sackville esq., by which John was to be a burgess to the Parlt. to be held on 29 Apr., for which "whether it is holden long or short" he takes for wages a case of mackerel to be delivered next Christmas (Hutchins, *Dorset*, ii. 433).

³ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 486.

⁴ *Admn. Regr., Lincoln's Inn*, 9.

⁵ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, 59.

⁶ Aged 28 at his father's death, 3 July 1488 (*Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 416).

⁷ *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. 175; Davy, Suffolk pedigrees.

⁸ *Inq. p.m.* 16 Hen. VIII, Vol. 42, No. 128.

⁹ P.C.C., 26 Bodfelde.

¹⁰ Pardon Roll, 12 Jan. 1472; "John Davy of Wells, Som., *alias* John Sadeler, late of Wells, gent., *alias* merchant."

Churchwarden, Wells, 1444; a pledge for freemen, 1444-85;¹ admtd. to freedom on marriage with the da. of a freeman, 1453;² elected for Wells, 26 June 1455;³ juror, Wells, 1462;⁴ mayor, 1471-2;⁵ pardoned, 12 Jan. 1472.⁵

SAGE, THOMAS (1415-61); of Grampound, Corn., gent.; lawyer. M.P. Helston 1449 (1).

He was joined with Sir William Bonville in a comn. in 1444, and sat on a dozen other comns., including the Lancastrian array, Dec. 1459, and those early in the following year. Thomas Sage of Grampound, gent., and John Glynne were mainperners for John Arundel,⁶ 1453; J.P. Cornwall, of the quorum, 26 Feb. 1459 to 1461.

D., to judge from his comns., 1460/1.

SAGE, THOMAS (1430-97); of Scarborough, merchant. M.P. Scarborough 1460-1, 1470-1, 1472-5.

Perhaps s. or g.s. of William Sage, M.P. Scarborough 1388-1431; *m.* Katherine (*d.* 1498), widow of Robert Alcock of Hull (*q.v.*); issue Margaret and Elizabeth.

Pardoned, 12 May 1462, "of Scarborough, gent. *alias* merchant" (m.23). Bailiff 1467, making the return to the sheriff's mandate. Pardoned, 8 Feb. 1469, late bailiff of Scarborough, gent., merchant *alias* yeoman (m.14), and, 6 May 1472, as "of Scarborough, gent., *alias* late burgess of Scarborough,⁷ *alias* late bailiff, *alias* late of York" (m.24). He occurs in Scarborough in 1476, and was on a comn. with William Tunstall, sq. of the body, in 1493, when described as mercht., of Scarborough.

D. 1497. Will of Thomas Sage of Scarborough, gent., dat. 20 Feb., pr. at York 27 May 1497. To be bur. in St. Mary's next to his wife Alice. Dwelling house to wife Katherine for life, and she exix. with Agnes wife of William Tunstall, and Margaret and Elizabeth das., William Tunstall, John York and John Scansby.⁸

ST. JOHN, THOMAS (1420-80); of Luccombe near Minehead. ? King's Servant. M.P. Taunton 1447.

Perhaps s. of *John* St. John who occurs in Somerset in 1417; or there was an *Edward* St. John, a retainer of Lady Luttrell of Dunster, whose will was pr. in 1457.⁹

In June 1452 a comn. was set up to seize ships from Bristol and all ports round to Weymouth; the comn. included such servants of the Household as Sir Edward Hull, Richard George and Vincent Pitlesden (all M.P.s); it also included Thomas St. John. In Nov. 1470 when the Lancastrians came back, a comn. was set up to seize Robert Brent, one of the Canterbury men; Thomas St. John esq. is named first on the comn. along with William Wolfe, another Taunton M.P.

ST. LEGER (SELYNGER), JOHN (1405-53); of Romney. M.P. Romney 1449-50.

Elector, Kent, 1432, 1433, 1435, 1437; on a gaol delivery (Seyntlager) at Canterbury, 1437; on a Kent comn. 1439. He appears in the Hollingbrook Ward,

¹ In 1477 he was pledge for Richard Sadler, freeman by patrimony; *Som. Rec. Soc.*, xlv, *passim*. ² *ibid.*, 148. ³ *Ex inf.* Miss M. L. Kelway, Bath.

⁴ *Anc. Indict. K.B.* (penes A. T. Butler, esq.).

⁵ See note ¹⁰ on p. 734.

⁶ *Fine Roll*, 31 Hen. VI (m.13).

⁷ One of the rare occasions when the Pardon Rolls clearly show membership of Parlt.

⁸ *Test. Ebor.* iv. 25n.

⁹ *Ex inf.* Miss A. D. Greenwood.

Romney, in 1448/9, and in 1450/1 he was owed £4 19s. for his Parliamentary wage. While in 1453/4 40s. was paid to the wife of John Sellynger "for wages of said John in Parliament at Leicester" (*i.e.* 1450).¹ That the wages were paid to his wife and not to himself would seem to indicate that he was dead, though she be spoken of as wife and not as widow.

ST. LEGER, (Sir) THOMAS (1440-83); of Guildford. Keeper of the Mint 1461-83; Squire and Knight of Body 1462-83; Master of the Hart hounds 1478-83; lawyer? M.P. SURREY (? 1463-5), 1467-8, 1472-5; (? HAMPSHIRE 1483 (1)).

S. of John St. Leger of Kent (elector 1442) by Margery da. and h. of — Darnet of Syleham, Suff.;² *m.* (1) ? by whom his s. and h., and (2) 1472/3 the King's sis., Anne who divorced the duke of Exeter, *c.* 12 Nov., 1472. She was granted his lands and those of the earl of Wilts., 1461.

This King's servant was made controller of the Mint, 22 July 1461; for his "services in battle" he was granted Finderne's forfeited lands in Cambs. and Weedon-Beck, N'hants., Feb. 1462; keeper of Chestonwood, Kent., Aug. 1462; keeper of the lands and heir of Thomas Langham, being then called squire of the body, 14 Sept. 1462; keeper of Oldbury, Glos., and of John Thorpe an idiot, Feb. 1463; keeper of Guildford Park, 24 Jan. 1463. In Jan. 1465 he was pardoned for striking the marshal of the hall at Westminster. In Apr. he had a lease of Kennington, Surrey, for 20 marks a year. Parlt. exempted him from resumption in 1467 and 1472.³ His counter-roll of the mint exists from 1468-83.⁴ J.P. Surrey, 15 Feb. 1468 to Dec. 1470, 12 May 1472 till death.

No doubt he followed Edward IV to exile and returned with him to be made sheriff of Surrey and Sussex, 11 Apr. to 9 Nov. 1471. After the reconquest of Kent, Scott was left in charge at Sandwich and St. Leger at Rochester,⁵ and he was granted the castle there previously held by Sir John Fogge, 29 Nov. 1471. He was on every comn. in Surrey from 1472 and in Hants in 1483. He went with the King's army to France in 1475 with 20 men at arms, 200 archers of a retinue.⁶ Edward sent him to Amiens and Senlis to treat with Louis XI, and after the treaty of Pécquiny was signed Louis XI promised him a pension.⁷ On the return from France the unfortunate duke of Exeter mysteriously "died" at sea;⁸ and Anne of Exeter *d.* in childbirth 12 Jan. 1476. Elector, Surrey, 1478; kntd. 17 Jan. 1478. After Clarence's death St. Leger got the duke's lands in the southwest counties and was made keeper of Henley park in Ash, Surrey, also. He and the earl of Essex were made joint masters of the King's hart hounds, 8 July 1478; while Canterbury in 1482 gave him and Sir George Browne two capons at the Swan Inn for their goodwill with the King.⁹ He founded a chantry at Windsor to pray for Anne of Exeter, 1481; J.P. Devon, of the quorum, from 1474; J.P. Hants from 1477. The Parlt. of 1483 (1) exempted him from the Act of Apparel.

He was at the funeral of Edward IV, lost all his posts on the arrival of Richard III, took part in the Buckingham rising as a leader in Devon, but was taken at Torrington

¹ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* v. (Romney MSS.), 542-3.

³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 586, 613; vi. 16.

⁶ *Foedera*, V. iii. 56.

⁸ *ibid.* ii. 151; Ramsay, *Lancaster & York*, ii. 415, 432, 504.

² *Visitn. Kent*, ii. 69.

⁴ *Exchq. Accts.* 298/32.

⁵ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 2.

⁷ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 136.

⁹ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* IX. i. 137.

and beheaded at Exeter, 12 Nov. 1483, with Sir George Browne of Kent and Roger Clifford.¹ He was attainted as Thomas St. Leger of Guildford, knt., as from 18 Oct. 1483. The attainder was reversed in 1485. His da. Anne, b. Jan. 1476, m. George Manners, from whom descend the dukes of Rutland.²

ST. LOO (SEYNTLO), JOHN (1395-1448); of Chew-Episcopi, Somerset. Squire of the Body 1428-48; Constable of Bristol 1439-48. M.P. WILTSHIRE 1447.

M. Alice Paveley of Brook by Westbury, and their son Nicholas St. Loo, described as "of Sutton, Somerset, late sheriff", was pardoned, 20 Apr. 1458 (m.43).

King's squire in July 1428, when he was granted for life a pension of £20 out of the customs of London; repeated and extended, Feb. 1440; sheriff, Som. and Dorset, 1432-3, 1436-7; of Wilts., 1439-40; of Som. and Dorset, 1442-3; on comns. of the two counties, 1439 to 1446. Constable of Rhuddlan, Jan. 1437; called squire of the body by Sept. 1437, when he was granted for life the manor of Ogbourne, Wilts.; grantee of a part of a forfeited ship, the *Trinite of Bristol*, Jan. 1438; constable of Bristol in lieu of Rhuddlan, May 1439; next year his son Nicholas was joined with him in this constableness, and in 1441, still squire of the body, he was granted a tun of Gascon wine yearly, delivered in Bristol. He surrendered Ogbourne in Feb. 1441, that it might then be granted to Cambridge University. St. Loo was at the coronation of Queen Margaret in 1445, and Parliament in 1445-6 confirmed to him grants of land made by the Duchy of Lancaster in 1443, 1444 and 1445.⁴ He was pardoned all offences against the Statute of Liveries, Feb. 1446. In 1446 he founded a chantry at Calne for the soul of Alice his wife, and endowed it with land in Calne and Devizes.

D. 1448. Will, dat. 26 Feb., pr. at Lambeth 30 Apr. 1448; John St. Loo esq., of Chiewe-Episcopi. His wife Alice was dead; Nicholas his son, sole exor. Nicholas, as s. and h. of John St. Loo, squire of the body, had licence in Mar. 1449 to grant to various persons the keeping of Gillingham forest, Dorset. John St. Loo had been farmer of the manor of Gillingham.

SALESBURY, THOMAS (1395-1465); of Lynn; Controller of Customs.

M.P. Lynn 1431, 1439-40, 1449 (1), 1449-50.

S. of John Salesbury (d. 1421) and Agnes his wife.

Apptd. controller of customs at Lynn, 1414, and again Feb. 1423;⁵ admitted freeman 1423/4; mayor of Lynn 1436-7, 1438-9, 1445-6; J.P. Lynn, 12 July 1438 to 12 Mar. 1456; comnr. there 1431 to 1452; sworn to the peace in Norfolk, 1434; was trespassed against in Norfolk, 1454; and £30 was owed to Lord Scales and Thomas Salesbury in Norfolk in 1463.

¹ Fabian, *Chronicle*, 671; *Polydor Virgil*, 204.

² It is doubtful whether St. Leger owed his rapid rise to his own charms or those of Anne of Exeter. He was her accepted lover at least as early as 1467, and from them descend all those recorded in the *Anne of Exeter* volume published by the Marquis de Ruvigny. That he was not kntd. till 1478, after Anne's death, may be due to fraternal caution.

³ He must have been granted, by the Duke of Bedford in or before 1436, the honour of Gloucester in Bristol, for in 1446 John Norris, M.P., was made steward of these Despencer lands, with the exception of those granted to St. Loo.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* v. 70-73.

⁵ There were two collectors of customs at Lynn, as well as Salesbury the "controller" (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1422), 392, 426).

SALKELD, JOHN (1440-85); of Carlisle and Gowbarrow.¹ M.P. WESTMORLAND 1472-5.

Perhaps yr. s. of Thomas Salkeld and Jane (Stapleton). His s. Lancelot *m.* Margaret sis. and coh. of Richard Hudleston (g.s. and h. of Sir John Hudleston (*q.v.*) (1420-93).² A son called Lancelot would be baptised *c.* 1475 as a result of the Arthurian cult—*cf.* Arthur bastard of Edward IV.²

The sheriff of Westmorland was ordered to arrest John Salkeld in Mar. 1464. Richard Salkeld of Corby, William Salkeld of Wigton, John Salkeld of Carlisle, were among the followers of Robin of Redesdale who were pardoned, 10 Sept. 1470, and again pardoned, 22 July 1471—certainly no Yorkist.

SALKELD, Sir RICHARD (1430-1500); of Corby. Constable of Carlisle; Squire of the Body 1483-5; lawyer. M.P. CUMBERLAND 1467-8, 1472-5.

S. and h. of Thomas Salkeld junior of Corby, *d.* 1446, by Jane da. of William Stapleton;³ *m.* Jane sole heir of Roland Vaux of Triermain, Cumbd.

Pardon, issued from Bury, 18 Feb. 1447, Richard Salkeld son of Thomas and cousin and heir of Richard Salkeld (*m.*5). Elector, Cumbd., 1447, 1453; elector, Westd., 1450; sheriff, Cumbd., 1457-8, 1465-6 when succeeded by his father-in-law, 6 Nov. 1470 to 10 June 1471, 6 Nov. 1483 to 12 Sept. 1485, 1494-6. J.P. Cumbd., of the quorum, 20 Nov. 1461 to 10 Feb. 1466, Feb. to Mar. 1471, 24 Mar. 1487 to 18 Feb. 1495; Cumbd. and Westd., 14 June 1499 till death. On Cumbd. and Westd. comms. Nov. 1460 to Feb. 1462; array 1480, and 1484 onwards.

In Feb. 1462 he had a grant to him and to heirs male of his body of the Earl of Northumberland's lands between Derwent and Calder up to £200 a year; and in 1465 this was extended to their full value, and in July 1467 he was granted more Percy lands as a reward for capturing the Earl of Wilts. and taking and defending Carlisle.⁴ These he held under the Earl of Warwick. Salkeld was pardoned, 26 Oct. 1468, "late of Carlisle, esq., late sheriff, s. and h. of Thomas Salkeld and cousin and heir of Katherine Salkeld" (*m.*25). In 1469 and 1470 he sided with the Nevills. He and 100 others were pardoned, 10 Sept. 1470, "of Corby, esq., late constable of Carlisle," and again 22 July 1471, after having been sheriff and J.P. for the Readeption government. He was even elected for Cumberland in 1472. He took service under Richard III—sheriff and King's servant with a £20 pension out of Penrith; pardoned, 24 Feb. 1484; squire of the body by Sept. 1484, when sent to negotiate with the Scots.⁵ In Apr. 1485 he was treating with the Scots emissaries at Loch Maben.⁶

Salkeld was not exempted from resumption in 1485/6, but rallied to Henry VII; knighted, 30 Dec. 1485/24 Mar. 1487, when restored to the bench and again employed to treat with the Scots in Oct. 1487,⁷ and Mar. 1488,⁸ and September 1490,⁹ apparently because he was still constable of Carlisle with 20 men and wages of 300 marks a year.¹⁰

D. 17 Feb. 1500, and his das. and hs. were in 1505 pardoned all arrears of his account as sheriff. He and his wife were buried at Wetherall (M.I.).

¹ *Visitn. Cumbd.* 25.

² Sir Thomas Mallory finished the *Morte Arthur*, *c.* 1469.

³ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. p. 234.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1469), 25.

⁵ *Foedera*, V. iii. 153.

⁶ *ibid.* p. 162.

⁷ *ibid.* p. 185.

⁸ *ibid.* p. 190.

⁹ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 504.

¹⁰ *ibid.* ii. 390.

SALLE see SAWELL.

SALMON, WILLIAM (1440-1502); of Sandwich. M.P. Sandwich 1483 Oct., 1484, 1495, 1497.

A feoffee of Halling, Kent, for Robert Horne (*q.v.*); mayor of Sandwich, Dec. 1478-9, Dec. 1480-1, 1487 to Dec. 1487 in lieu of Robert Mayhew decd.;¹ Dec. 1487-8, Dec. 1494-6 returning himself to Parlt.; Dec. 1501 till death (while mayor) before Dec. 1502.²

SALTER, JOHN (1415-70); of Fowey, attorney, merchant, and of London, haberdasher. Customer of Plymouth and Fowey 1443-61.³ M.P. Truro 1449 (1), 1449-50.

Perhaps s. of John Salter, saddler, mayor of, and M.P. for, Exeter.⁴

On comns. dealing with ships and piracy, 1444 to 1462. His father had been controller of customs, and young Salter was made controller also in Plymouth and Fowey, to exercise the office in person, 28 Oct. 1443. An attorney, Cornwall, on the Plea Rolls of 1450; in 1444/57 he sued Thomas Colan of Bodinnick, for menaces when he, the petitioner, came to Fowey to arrest a Breton ship which had been taken by Hankyn Selander.⁵ Evidently customers had to deal with piracy as well as legitimate trade; mainpennor for John Arundel, 1453.⁶

Pardoned, 4 Nov. 1455 and 10 Feb. 1462, in both cases as "of Fowey, merchant, *alias* of London, haberdasher, *alias* customer of Plymouth and Fowey" (m.22, m.34). Debts were due to him in Cornwall in July 1465, and as he does not appear in subsequent pardon rolls he must have died soon after.

SAMPSON, (Sir) THOMAS (1450-1512); of Playford, Suffolk. Customer, Ipswich, 1485-1509. M.P. Ipswich (? 1470-1), 1485-6.

Probably a servant of the Duke of Norfolk, possibly M.P. 1470, for he was pardoned, 1471, as "late of Westminster, gent., *alias* of Framlingham, Suffolk, gent." In 1478 Thomas Sampson esq. and Thomas Sampson of Horstead esq. were both electors in Suffolk—perhaps father and son, more probably cousins.

Appt. contr. of customs at Ipswich, 20 Jan. 1485—fresh grant 17 Sept. 1485; and grant to him for life of the office of keeper of a garden adjoining Windsor castle with 6*d.* daily and £20 a year from the customs of Exeter and Dartmouth, 20 Feb. 1486.⁷ On comns. in Suffolk, sewers, gaol delivery, etc., 1476 to 1503; kntd. at the marriage of Prince Arthur, 1501; a feoffee with John, earl of Oxford, in Essex; pardoned Nov. 1509. He appears to be King's servant, rather than merchant or even lawyer.

D. Jan. 1512, when Thomas Felton, s. of Margaret late wife of Robert Felton and sister of Thomas Sampson kn., was his nephew and heir; lands—Playford, Suffolk.⁸ Meanwhile Sir Robert Southwell had custody of lands and heir.

SAND (SENDE, SOND), JOHN; of Hythe, fisherman. M.P. Hythe 1483 (Nov.), 1484.

¹ Granted £20 "by way of reward" (Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 225).

² Boys, *Sandwich*, ii. 418.

³ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

⁴ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1430), 66.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/730.

⁶ Fine Roll, 31 Hen. VI (m.13).

⁷ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 302.

⁸ Inq. *p.m.* Hen. VIII, No. 27/3; that same year Thomas Sampson, esq., died, leaving a grandson Simon as heir—also of lands in Suffolk.

William Sonde was pardoned, 1455; *Reginald Sonds*, J.P. 1481, *d.* 1491, paid a bi-annual rent charge for castle guard at Dover.¹

John was apptd. bailiff of Romney, of the archbp's part, in 1492.² Romney and Dover were both controlled by the archbp. But the Hythe Account Books show John Sende as a fisherman and freeman of Hythe, also.³

SANDFORD, HENRY. M.P. Arundel 1478.
Undiscovered.

SANDRES see SAUNDERS.

SAPCOTE, (Sir) JOHN (1448-1501); of Elton, Hunts., and of Bampton, Devon, *j.u.*; Squire of the Body 1472-85; Keeper of Weybridge forest, and Knight of the Body 1488-1501. M.P. HUNTINGDONSHIRE 1472-5; (? DEVON ? 1483, ? 1484).³

S. and h. of John Sapcote of Elton (and cousin and h. to Sir Richard Sapcote of Burghley, Rutland); *m.* 1480 Elizabeth (1450-1516) widow of Fulk Bouchier, lord Fitzwarin (*d.* 1479) and sis. and coh. in 1501 to John Dinham, lord Dinham; they had Richard (*b.* 1482); she *m.* (3) Sir Thomas Brandon (*d.* 1510).⁴

As squire of the body he was sent with Slyfield, the King's secy., to treat with the Duke of Brittany, 23 July, and signed treaty at Château Giron, 11 Sept. 1472;⁵ he was actually returned for Hunts. in Sept. 1472, and Sir Richard Sapcote heads the list of electors, but John must have been an absentee; J.P. Hunts., 12 June 1471; on Hunts. comns. from Aug. 1473 to the two subsidy comns. of 1483; served on the King's expedition to France with three men at arms and forty archers, Aug. 1475.⁶ On his return he was admtd. to Lincoln's Inn—as it might be Brooke's⁷—and made sheriff of Rutland, 1475-6; heads the list of Rutland electors, 1478; exor. to Elizabeth, lady Latimer, Sept. 1480.⁸ That year he *m.* Fitzwarin's widow, and was apptd. to farm the Fitzwarin estates in Salop and Staffs., for £233 a year.⁹ Henceforth he lived on the Audley-Fitzwarin estates in Devon. Sheriff, Devon, 1477-8; J.P. Devon, 17 Nov. 1481 to 14 May 1483, and 20 Aug. 1483 till death; he was on the 1483 subsidy comns. in Hunts., but not on the 1484 comns. nor thereafter in Devon. As sq. of the Body he helped to carry Edward IV's corpse to the Abbey.¹⁰

When Gloucester was made Protector, *c.* 10 May 1483, he made lord Dinham steward of Cornwall and Dinham's bro.-in-law, John Sapcote, receiver of that county. Now lord Hastings had been receiver; so it came about that Sapcote supported Richard III, probably sat in the 1484 Parlt. "For good service against the rebels" he was given lands in Devon with £50 a year; custodies and pardons

¹ Hythe Accounts, G. 93, fo. 25d.

² *Ex inf.* Miss Roper.

³ He was on the subsidy comns. for Hunts., not Devon, in Apr. and Aug. 1483.

⁴ *Comp. Peer*, iv. 381; v. 510; *Visitn. Rutland*, 46.

⁵ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 34; *Foedera*, V. iii. 23.

⁶ *Foedera*, V. iii. 56.

⁷ *Adm. Repr.* 20, and *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, 60.

⁸ *Test. Vetust.* 360.

⁹ Lord FitzWarin held one-third of the Audley barony in Salop, Staffs. and Devon; their coparcener being that (Touchett) lord Audley who led the Cornish rebels to Blackheath, 1497.

¹⁰ Gairdner, *L. & P.* i. 5.

were his for the asking.¹ He lived at Bampton or at Tawstock. He accommodated himself to the Tudors also, and, though his grants were not exempted from resumption in 1485, he was knthd., 16 June 1487, made keeper of the forests of Weybridge and Sapley, Hants (as held by Tiptoft), June 1488², and sat on all the Devon comns. of array. He was at court for York's creation 1494; was sent down to Cornwall to admit the rebels to pardon, July 1497; and, either before or after his defence of Exeter against Warbeck in Sept. 1497, he was made knt. of the body.

He was cousin and h., aged 50, to Richard Sapcote, in Gunthorpe, Rutland, 18 Nov. 1498;³ and himself *d.* 5 Jan. 1501,⁴ when Richard (18) was his s. and h. to lands in Hunts. and Berks. Will, dat. 6 Jan., pr. 28 May 1501. To be bur. in the Abbey church at Hartland, Devon. A gold chain to his s. and h. Richard; bequests to da. Jane and da.-in-law Elizabeth Beaumont; provides for payment of overdue tithes at "Allington", Hunts. Exix., his wife, Lady Fitzwarin.⁵

SAPCOTE, THOMAS (1450-1501/6); of Burley; lawyer. M.P. RUTLAND (? 1484), 1495.

Probably yr. bro. of Sir John Sapcote M.P. (1448-1501); *m.* Alice (*b.* 1460) widow of William Stavely (*d.* 1488) of Bignell, Oxon., and da. and coh. of Sir John Fraunceys of Foremark, Derbys. (*d.* 1464), by Isabel (*d.* 1494) da. and coh. of John Plessington of Burley, Isabel being widow of Sir Richard Sapcote of Burley, Rutland.⁶

He had a grant of the reversion of Clarence's lands in Rutland on death of William Hussey (*q.v.*), 1479; J.P. Rutland, of the quorum, 9 Aug. 1479 to 1485, 20 May 1492 to 5 Feb. 1497, and 3 Apr. 1501 till death; on all the Rutland array and subsidy comns. of 1483-4. Already an esq. of the body he was comsmd. concerning offences in Wales, 1482;⁷ made receiver of Matthew Gurney's lands in Somerset, Dorset and Wilts., 20 July 1483; made eschr. of duchy of Cornwall, 23 Feb. 1484, four days after Parlt. rose; on Cornish comns., Sept. 1483 and Mar. 1485 (as was Sir John); on Rutland comns. 1495; gaol delivery, Oakham, 1501; a feoffee for his bro. Sir John at Harrowden, N'hants., 1500.⁸

D., to judge from his comns. of the Peace, 1501/6.

SAPERTON, ROWLAND (1415-65); of Rochester, gent. M.P. Rochester 1460-1.

Rowland Saperton of Rochester, gent., was pardoned outlawry for not appearing 1445. He *d.* 1465, will dat. 20 June 1465.⁹ To be bur. in St. Nicholas. His feoffees to grant his messuage in Rochester to his wife Margaret. Residue to wife Margaret and she sole exix.

¹ Pardon Roll, 2 Mar. 1484. John Sapcote late of Ayleton, Hunts., esq. of the body, *alias* of Bawnton, Devon, *alias* of Tawstock, *alias* of London (m.14). Pardon Roll, 23 Nov. 1484—as late of Aylton, Hunts., sq. of the body to Richard III, and Elizabeth his wife who was wife of Fulk Bouchier, lord Fitzwarin, knt., *alias* John Sapcote of Bawnton, Devon, or Tawstock or London (m.11). Bawnton is now Bampton!

² Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 327.

³ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. 202.

⁴ *ibid.* ii. 406, 442.

⁵ P.C.C., 21 Moone.

⁶ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 1062, 1172, 1257; *Rutland Magazine*, Oct. 1911.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1482), 322.

⁸ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 406.

⁹ P.R.C. at Somerset Ho., ii. ff. 317, 317v.

SAUCHEVEREL see SACHEVERELL.

SAUNDERS (SANDRES), JOHN (1420-80); of Dorchester; ? lawyer. M.P. Dorchester 1447.

A juror at Dorchester, Oct. 1447;¹ attorney for delivering seisin there, Mar. 1460; an exor. of the will of John Kychyn of Dorchester, Sept. 1461; bailiff of Dorchester, 1463;² repeatedly a witness to Dorchester deeds 1465 to 1476, and a feoffee for John Churchill there in 1470.³ In 1467/72 John Saunders the elder and John Saunders the younger sued Richard Quartermaine (*q.v.*) and other feoffees for a messuage in London.⁴

SAVAGE, Sir HUMPHREY (1465-94/5); of Westminster. M.P. STAFFORDSHIRE 1491-2.

Yr. s. of Sir John Savage of Clifton, Chesh. (*d.* 1495), knt. of the body to Henry VII, by Catherine Stanley, sister of 1st Earl of Derby; *m.* Elizabeth, perhaps heiress of Braughing, Herts.⁵ His eldest bro. Sir John was slain at Boulogne 1493; another bro. was archbp. of York 1501-8.

In 1484 the nine Savage brothers were made freemen of Chester.⁶ Kntd. at Stoke, 16 June 1487; the Stanley influence returned both Staffs. M.P.s in 1491. At the end of 1493 Sir William Stanley and Sir Humphrey Savage were arrested for dealings with Warbeck; and Stanley was beheaded Feb. 1494; both were attainted 1495—Savage as “late of Westminster knt.” Probably Sir Humphrey was beheaded at the same time as Stanley (though a Sir Humphrey Savage of Feckenham, Worcs., and Westminster, was pardoned, 21 June 1499); for Elizabeth, late wife of Humphrey Savage, was pardoned, May 1495.⁵

SAVAGE, Sir JOHN junior (1465-1527); perpetual sheriff of Worcs. 1492-1516. M.P. WORCESTERSHIRE 1491-2.

Yr. s. of Sir John Savage of Clifton, Chesh., knt. of the body (*d.* 1495), by Catherine (Stanley); and bro. of Sir Humphrey (*q.v.*) and of that Sir John who fell at Boulogne refusing to surrender, 1493;⁶ *m.* Anne da. of Ralph Bostock.

Johns senior and junior were exempted from resumption in 1485 and 1487; the father had been permanent sheriff, Worcs., 1488-92, and this John junior, after the rising of Parlt., took his place as sheriff, Mich. 1492 to 18 Dec. 1516; kntd. at Blackheath, 17 June 1497; a feoffee of Wick, Worcs., for Giles Greville 1506.⁷

D. 2 Mar. 1527, when John, aged 34, was s. and h.; lands—Derbys., Notts., Staffs. and Salop.⁸

SAVEY,⁹ JOHN (1410-51/2); of Colchester. M.P. Colchester 1449 (1).

His will was pr., as of Colchester, 1451/2, and his widow Isabel had *m.* John Grenehill by 1452/3. His s. John Savey was also of Colchester,¹⁰ probably a minor at his father's death.

¹ Mayo and Gould, *Dorchester*, 115.

³ Mayo and Gould, *Dorchester*, 292-297.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1495 (m.37).

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 554.

⁹ Printed as Saveyn in the Official Return. Mr. M. A. B. Dawes thinks Savey preferable.

¹⁰ *Ex inf.* Sir W. Gurney Benham.

² Hutchins, *Dorset*, ii. 351.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 38/70.

⁶ *Dict. Nat. Biog.* Sir John Savage.

⁸ *Inq. p.m.* 19 Hen. VIII, Nos. 8, 9, 95(1).

SAVILLE, Sir JOHN (1415-82); of Thornhill by Dewsbury. Steward of Wakefield 1461-82; Constable of Sandal 1471-82. M.P. YORKSHIRE 1450-1, 1467-8. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Sir Thomas Saville of same, M.P. (1390-1449), by Margaret da. of Sir Thomas Pilkington; *m.* Alice da. of Sir William Gascoigne of Gawthorpe¹ (*q.v.*). She had licence to take the veil, 3 July 1482. His son John *m.* Jane da. of Sir Thomas Harington and died 1480/1; their son Sir John succeeded his grandfather and *d.* 1504. Thomas, a yr. s., was ancestor of Saville of Lupset.

Elector, Yorks., 1442; kntd. 1442/50; pardoned, 26 May 1452, as "of Thornhill, knt." (m.8), and 8 Dec. 1455;² and again 10 Feb. 1458 (m.36); sheriff, Yorks., 1454-5. A comn. was issued to confiscate the lands of his son John, 14 Oct. 1459, doubtless because he had gone south with the Earl of Salisbury to Blore Heath and Ludford. Sir John had been a trustee for the marriage settlement of York's da. in Mar. 1459.³

Edward IV rewarded him—sheriff, Yorks., again, two days after Edward reached London; J.P. West Riding, 10 May 1461 to 18 Oct. 1462, 8 May 1467 to 19 Nov. 1470, 24 Feb. 1472 to 10 Nov. 1475; on Yorks. comns. in 1461, Mar. 1470, 1472 and 1473. He was probably made steward of Wakefield in 1461; had a grant of the herbage there in 1465. The Readeption government pardoned him as of Thornhill, Eland and Chete—but failed to secure his services. Edward, returning, made him constable of Sandal Castle by Wakefield, 5 July 1471, and issued him with a fresh pardon. Parlt. of 1473 exempted him and his wife Alice from the Act of Resumption, and their tun of wine and harts and bucks in season. In Mar. 1480 his son John was granted the reversion of the constableness on Sir John's death, but this son John died first—was dead when Sir John made his will.

D. at Sandal Castle, 15 June 1482. Will, dat. 23 Nov. 1481, pr. 21 June 1482.⁴

SAVILLE (SAYVELL), Sir THOMAS (1390-1449); of Thornhill, Yorks. M.P. YORKSHIRE 1442.

S. of Henry (yr. s. of Sir John) Saville by Elizabeth da. and h. of Simon de Thornhill. He inherited Sir John Saville's lands at Eland on the death of his cousin Isabel Darcy. *M.* Margaret, da. of Sir Thomas Pilkington, and had Sir John Saville, M.P. (1415-82) and three das. of whom one *m.* Sir John Harington, M.P.

Kntd. by 1426; on comns. in the West Riding 1430 to 1442; sworn to the peace there in 1434. *D.* Nov. 1449. Will, dat. 16 Nov., pr. at York, 16 Dec. 1449. He was buried at Thornhill, where the senior branch of the Saville family lived thereafter.

SAWELL (SALLE), THOMAS (1445-96); of Much Baddow, Essex.⁵ Justice of the forests 1489; lawyer. M.P. Maldon 1484.

¹ *Geneal. N.S.* x. 157.

² As "*alias* late of Chete, *alias* late of Hundesworth, *alias* late of Tankersley" (m.14).

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 27.

⁴ To be bur. at Thornhill. £40 to his da. Margaret Saville. Heirlooms to his g.s., a spring bed (*lectum pendenleum*), a missal, etc. To sons William, Thomas, Henry, Richard, Nicholas, various bequests. His w. Alice to have Bothamhall manor for life which his father Thomas Saville had given to them at their marriage. Exors. :—his wife, his s. William (*Test. Ebor.* iii. 270).

⁵ Probably not the Thomas Salle who was in gaol in Launceston, 1474, for having killed John Escote in self-defence.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Sawell, warden of the London drapers' guild in 1466.

As Thomas Sawell of Much Baddow, Essex, he enfeofed Hugh Naylinghurst and others of Much Baddow for the use of Naylinghurst and Jane his wife, 1479;¹ admt'd. freeman of Maldon before his election for the boro', 2 Feb. 1484;² an Essex comnr. 1486, and on the array of Aug. 1490; on gaol delivery at Romford and Colchester 1489 to 1495. On 23 Aug. 1489, Bray (*q.v.*), Empson (*q.v.*), Thomas Salle and John Stanford were appt'd. justices of the forests—renewed 1490; J.P. Essex, of the quorum, 28 May 1490 till death. Writs were issued to him and others in 1494 and 1496.³

D. shortly before 15 Nov. 1496, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Essex.⁴ If the M.P. is Thomas Sawell of Much Baddow he lived within ten miles of Maldon and may therefore be regarded as local gentry.⁵

SAXEY (SAXE), WILLIAM (1410–60); of Colchester. M.P. Colchester 1455–6.

William Saxy, citizen and fishmonger of London, occurs 1437.⁶ Therefore he may have come from London, but he was a bailiff of Colchester 1450, 1452, 1455 after election, 1457–8.⁷

SAY, Sir JOHN (1420–78); of Broxbourne, Herts.;⁸ King's Serjeant; Coroner of the Marshalsea, 1444; Yeoman of the Chamber and Crown, 1444–52; Keeper of Westminster Palace, 1445; Squire of the Body, 1448; Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, 1449–62, 1466–71, 1477–8; P.C. and Under Treasurer of England, 1455–6, 1460–3, 1470–1, 1477–8; Keeper of the Great Wardrobe, 1476–8. M.P. Cambridge boro' 1447; CAMBRIDGESHIRE 1449 (1) (SPEAKER); HERTFORDSHIRE 1453–4, 1455–6, (? 1460–1, ? 1461–2), 1463–5 (SPEAKER), 1467–8 (SPEAKER), (? 1470–1), 1478.

Probably s. of John Say of Podington, Beds., and certainly bro. of William Say (*d.* 1468), dean of St. Paul's;⁹ *m.* (1) (probably soon after 1450) Elizabeth (*d.* 1473), widow of Sir Frederick Tilney of Ashwellthorpe, Norf., and da. of

¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.*, i. No. 759.

² Maldon Court Books, 1/2.

³ Fine Roll, 9 Hen. VII, and 11 Hen. VII.

⁴ Fine Roll, 12 Hen. VII.

⁵ See note 5 on p. 743.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1437), 63.

⁷ Rickword, *List of Mayors etc. of Colchester*, p. 13; *Select Cases on the Law Merchant* (Selden Soc.), 122.

⁸ His bro. Dean Say enfeofed him in Broxbourne in 1448 (*Col. Top. et Gen.*, vii, 57; xiii, 167). He bought Lit. Berkhamsted and Bedwell, Herts., of John Norbury, junr., in 1465/6; and on 29 Oct. 1468 had confirmation of a charter, dat. 9 Feb. 7 Hen. IV (1406), granting John Norbury lic. to enclose 800 acres adjoining these manors (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1468), 114). On 17 July 1468 he was granted the reversion of Sayesbury in Sawbridgeworth, Herts., which had previously been held for life by John Heron—*alias* Say, according to some, but only a very distant cousin (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 144). "There is no proof that John Say's estate therein was acquired by inheritance"; *G.E.C.* (S–T), 63, n. (c), citing F. M. Nichols' "The Hall of Lawford Hall" (p. 117, n. 215).

⁹ *Geneal N.S.* vii. 57. Obviously neither he nor the dean was illegitimate; they were not sons of James Fiennes, lord Saye and Sele, because his s. and h. William was only 22 in 1451—or of Sir William Heron, lord Heron or Say, because Heron *d.* 1404—or of Sir John Heron, because he *d.* 1420, and was succeeded by John Heron, *alias* Say, of Sawbridgeworth (*d. s.p.* 1468; see n. 1 *supra*), and Sir John Say of Broxbourne is never called "junr." There was another bro., Thomas, who appears with Sir John among the exors. of Dean Say's will (P.C.C., 26 Godyn).

Laurence Cheyne (*q.v.*) of Fen Ditton, Cambs., by whom he had William (*q.v.*),¹ Thomas, Leonard,² Genofeffe, Anne (*m.* Sir Henry Wentworth, *q.v.*), Elizabeth, Catherine and Mary; (2) in 1477, as her third husband, Agnes (*d.* 1478), da. of Sir John Danvers of Cokethorpe, Oxon.³

Sent abroad as King's messenger, Feb. 1444;⁴ granted, as King's serjeant, the office of coroner of the marshalsea in reversion, 6 Oct. 1444; granted as yeoman of the chamber 6*d.* a day out of the issues of Norf., 21 Oct. 1444; apptd., as yeoman of the crown, keeper of Westminster palace, 8 Mar. 1445; eschr., Cambs. and Hunts., 1445-6, Norf. and Suff., 1446-7; was granted the marriage of his step-da. Elizabeth Tilney, 21 Feb. 1447;⁵ obtained, as gent. usher of the Chamber, the manor of Lawford, Essex, 10 Oct. 1447; on a great many comns. (including the Lancastrian comn. of array, 21 Dec. 1459) in Cambs., Herts., etc., between 1448 and 1478; J.P. Cambs., 12 Feb. 1448 to 10 Nov. 1458, and Herts., 10 June 1454 to 15 Jan. 1455, and 1 Dec. 1455 till death; squire of the body with 50 marks yearly out of Hants and Devon, Xmas 1448;⁶ elected Speaker (in his second Parlt.), 12 Feb. 1449;⁷ pardoned with William Say (his bro.), Laurence Cheyne (his father-in-law), and others, for entering Lawford, and "Baas" in Broxbourne as feoffees, 16 May 1449;⁸ took Tresham's place as Chancellor of the Duchy, 10 June 1449, no doubt a reward for his service as Speaker; sheriff,⁹ Norf. and Suff., 20 Dec. 1449 to 3 Dec. 1450; one of those indicted by Cade at Rochester, June 1450; his banishment from court was demanded by Parlt., Jan. 1451;¹⁰ indicted before the mayor and justices, who were directed to proceed with the indictment, 10 Mar. 1451; pardoned 1452, when described as Chancellor of the Duchy;¹¹ re-apptd., but with John Rede (joint) keeper of Westminster palace, 19 Sept. 1452; one of the four squires of the body, 1454;¹² sumnd. to attend the council meeting at Westminster, 16 Apr. 1454;¹³ apptd. a justice of gaol delivery, Hertford, 15 July 1454; sumnd. to the great council for Herts., 16 Apr. 1455. By 15 July 1455 he was Under Treasurer of England under Bourchier; P.C. also by 1456; replaced by John Brown as Under Treasurer in Dec. 1456;¹⁴ re-apptd., but with Thomas Say, (joint) coroner of the marshalsea of the household, 26 Nov. 1457-9;¹⁵ again apptd. a justice of gaol delivery, Hertford, 20 Mar. 1458; apptd. steward of

¹ He was kntd. at the coronation of Richard III, 6 July 1483 (Shaw, *Knights*, i. 141), and *d.* 1531, being bur. in a chapel which he had built in Broxbourne church.

² Edward IV granted his free chapel in Tickhill Castle, Yorks. (a parcel of the Duchy of Lancaster) to Leonard Say by pat. dat. 10 Aug. 1471 (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1474), 446, 448).

³ Her previous husbands were (1) Sir John Fray, C.J. (*d.* 1461), (2) Sir John Wenlock, Lord Wenlock (slain at Tewkesbury, 1471; *q.v.*).

⁴ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

⁵ She *m.* (1) Sir Humphrey Bourchier (slain *v.p.* at Barnet, 1471) s. and h. of Sir John Bourchier, 1st lord Berners, (2) Thomas Howard (*q.v.*) who lived at Ashwellthorpe.

⁶ He was granted this pay, as from Xmas last, on 3 Apr. 1449 (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1449), 246).

⁷ He was one of the youngest men ever elected Speaker, being then only about 29.

⁸ Probably they were his feoffees to uses.

⁹ The fact of his holding this office probably accounts for his not sitting in the Parlt. of 1449 (2); which Parlt. exempted both him and his w. Elizabeth from the Act of Resumption, save for a fee of 6*d.* a day out of Norf., which he relinquished (*Rot. Parl.* v. 192).

¹⁰ *ibid.* v. 216.

¹¹ Pardon Roll, 1452 (m.24), described as "late Yeoman of the Crown, *alias* Usher of the Chamber, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, Esquire of the Body, *alias* of London, *alias* of Broxbourne, Herts." ¹² *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 223. ¹³ *ibid.* vi. 174-5.

¹⁴ For their accts. (1457-9), see *Exchq. Accts.*, 259/27.

Ware, Herts., 29 Dec. 1459;¹ became a Yorkist during 1460; put on the council after Northampton, July 1460;² again pardoned, 14 Jan. 1461; again Under Treasurer of England by 17 July 1461—probably from June 1460 to Oct. 1463, when Hugh Fenne (*q.v.*) held that office.³ Apptd. with Sir John Wenlock, Sir John Fogge and Sir John Scott (*qq.v.*), (joint) custodian of the forfeited possessions of the Earl of Oxford, 18 Mar. 1462; P.C. with £40 a year by Nov. 1462;⁴ again elected Speaker, 30 Apr. 1463;⁵ kntd. 26 May 1465;⁶ again chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster by 4 May 1467;⁷ a comnr. to negotiate with Philip of Burgundy, 9 Jan. 1467;⁸ again elected Speaker, 3 June 1467; perhaps again Under Treasurer of England, 1470-1;⁹ pardoned during the Readeption of Henry VI, 25 Jan. 1471;¹⁰ on the restoration of Edward IV again pardoned, 1471/2;¹¹ exempted from the Act of Resumption, 1473;¹² licensed with Bouchier the Treasurer to ship wool "in any ports of the realm", 25 June 1475; apptd. keeper of the gt. wardrobe, 13 Oct. 1476; apptd. with John Sturgeon *q.v.*, (joint) steward and parker of Walkern, Herts., and "Halyngbery Morley", Essex, during the minority of Henry, lord Morley, 23 Nov. 1476; again Under Treasurer of England and Chancellor of the Duchy by 14 Feb. 1478—probably succeeding at Fowler's death, 3 Nov. 1477.

D. 12 Apr. 1478;¹² William, aged 26, was his s. and h.; will dat. 10 Apr. 1468;¹³ M.I. Broxbourne Church.¹⁴

SAY, WILLIAM (1410-70); of Worth next Sandwich; of the Household 1437-60; keeper of Eltham. M.P. Canterbury 1442, 1447; Bletchingley (?) 1450-1; Shoreham 1453-4. Lancastrian.

Groom of the buttery; keeper of Newenton by Hythe, and of Eltham, with wages of 2*d.* a day, June 1437; by Feb. 1438 he had been made yeoman of the crown with a wage of 6*d.* a day; with Adam Chancellor (joint) warrener of

¹ On 23 Dec. his w. Elizabeth had been granted John Cheyne's forfeited possessions in Bucks. for services to Queen Margaret and the Prince of Wales.

² Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 94-5.

³ See note 4 on p. 745.

⁴ Margaret Paston, writing to her husband (6 May 1463), mentions "... Fynys, that is now Speker of the Parliament," thus also confusing Fiennes and Say; *Paston Letters*, ii, 131.

⁵ At the coronation of Elizabeth Wydeville and on the dissolution of the Parlt. of which he was Speaker (Shaw, *Knights*, i, 135).

⁷ *Foedera*, v. ii, 143.

⁶ Lancashire return to Parlt. of 1467.

⁸ Pardon Roll, 1471/2; see n. 10 *infra*.

⁹ *ibid.*, 25 Jan. 1471; described as "of Broxbourne, Herts., Knt., *alias* late sheriff of Norf. and Suff., *alias* Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster."

¹⁰ *ibid.*, 1471/2; as in n. 9, with the additional description of "*alias* of London" and "lately Under Treasurer of England." It may be inferred from these pardons that he was actually under-treasurer during the Readeption, possibly with the Chancellorship of the Duchy. He also received a general pardon, 8 June 1471.

¹¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi, 83.

¹² *Inq. p.m.*; lands, Rutland, Herts., Essex.

¹³ P.C.C., 35 Wattys (probate not entered). To be bur. in Broxbourne church beside his w., late Dame Elizabeth; 100 marks worth of plate to both sons, William and Thomas; £40 worth to s. Leonard; to da. Genofeffe, the "cornysh" silver bowl; to each da. Anne (Wentworth), Elizabeth (Compton), Catherine (Bassynghorn), and Mary (Chalthorpe), a silver cup; his widow, Dame Agnes, to enjoy her goods and chattles as she had "before our marriage"; to his confessor, and other servants, £60; residue for prayers for the King, and for the soul of Henry VI "in whose service I was brought up and preferred"; exors., John Russell, bp. of Rochester, Sir John Moorton, s. William Say, bro. Thomas Say, and John Pulter; overseers, Dom Domynyk, bro. of the Order of St. Austin, William Say, Henry Chancy, Clement Perchild, and others.

¹⁴ Brass, with effigy, illustrated in Dasent, *Speakers*.

the castle of Dover (apptd. by Gloucester then Warden of the Cinque Ports), Feb. 1438; keeper of the King's privy wardrobe, with 4*d.* a day, June 1438. Being called yeoman usher of the chamber, he was granted the King's right, title and interest in the aldermanry of Westgate, Canterbury; and the Canterbury accounts show payment made for letters taken to him 1442/3. He was elected for Canterbury 1442 and on the Kent comm. of array, Mar. 1443; his aldermanry at Canterbury secured his return in 1442 and 1447. He was granted the reversion of the office of bailiff of Sandwich, Apr. 1443; clothes were issued to him for the coronation of Queen Margaret, 1445;¹ as valet of the crown he was sent to Normandy in June 1445;² exempted as usher of the chamber from the Act of Resumption 1449, and had grants of ulnage that year. In Sept. 1450 York put the blame for his hostile reception when coming from Ireland on "Sir" William Say "usher of your chamber, saying that I am against your intent and held as a traitor".³ From May 1449 to Dec. 1450 he was a collr. of customs and subsidy at Sandwich.⁴ By 1451 he was bailiff of Sandwich; and his wage as usher of the chamber (late yeoman of the crown) was, in May 1452, the usual 6*d.* a day; in June he recovered wages as keeper and porter of Eltham, to date from Nov. 1449 when his grant of 1437 had been resumed. An elector, Kent, 1453, 1460—therefore probably elected for Shoreham without having been at Shoreham.

The Household lists of 1454 show him as yeoman of the buttery with two grooms and a page under him. He fell into line with the Yorkist lords; after St. Albans there is a letter to Say, as bailiff of Sandwich, and others, directing them to deliver to the Earl of Salisbury the lands that had been forfeited by "Lord" Camoys; and in Aug. 1455 the King (or rather the Yorkist lords acting for the King), in writing to the Treasurer of the Exchequer refers to "our trusty and well-beloved squire, William Say, bailiff of Sandwich"; he continues to account for his office there from 1451-63.⁵

The Yorkist Parlt. of 1455 exempted him from the Act of Resumption in regard to his office of warrener of Dover, and he was paid for a journey to York, Oct. 1458.⁶ In 1460, William Say, yeoman of the buttery, was made chamberlain of Waterdown, Sussex. The last notice of him is his pardon, 1 Feb. 1469, "of Worthe, Kent, gent., *alias* late of London, *alias* late yeoman of the Crown, *alias* late of Worthe next Sandwich" (m.10). As he is not described here as bailiff of Sandwich or keeper of Eltham, he probably ceased to hold a position at Court after 1460, but retained Sandwich till 1463. He conformed successfully in like manner to Sir John Say, the Speaker, but he was not that Speaker's bro., William Say, dean of St. Pauls, *d.* 1468. As he does not occur in the 1470 pardon roll he probably *d.* 1469/70.

SAY, Sir WILLIAM (1452-1529); of Broxbourne, Herts. M.P. Plympton 1472-5; HERTFORDSHIRE (? 1485-6), 1491-2, 1495.

S. and h. of Sir John Say the Speaker (1420-78) by Elizabeth (Cheyne). M. (1) by 1472 Genevieve (*b.* 1455), da. and coh. of John Hill of Spaxton (*q.v.*)

¹ *Exchq. Accts.* 361/6.

² Issue Roll, 23 Hen. VI, No. 757.

³ Gairdner, *Paston Letters* (ed. 1904), i. 81.

⁴ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

⁵ *Enr. Accts.* F. 28 Hen. VI, G.

⁶ Issue Roll, Mich. 37 Hen. VI; *Early Chan. Proc.* 19/386.

by Margaret sis. of Sir Walter Rodney (*q.v.*) and (2) Elizabeth, widow of Sir Thomas Waldegrave¹ and da. and coh. of Sir John Fray (*d.* 1461).²

Pardoned in May 1470 while a minor; aged 26 at his father's death; had seisin of his wife's lands in Somerset, Dorset and Cornwall, Nov. 1472,³ and therefore elected for Plympton. Eschr., Som. and Dorset, 1472-3; sheriff of same 1478-9; elector, Herts., 1478, when his father was elected; sheriff, Herts. and Essex, 1482-3; kntd. by Richard III, 1483/4; Sawbridgeworth, Herts., was settled on him and issue in tail male, Feb. 1484. He may have sat in the 1485 Parlt. for he was pardoned, 15 Feb. 1486, as of Kesburn (? Brokesburn), *alias* late of London, *alias* late sheriff.⁴ But at this time his riots or war with Sir John Fortescu (*q.v.*) was at its height, and the King "heard to our great displeasure",⁵ and enforced peace. Sir William was on the subsidy comn. of 1504 and on other Herts. comns., but never J.P.; pardoned 1509; he had lent the King 1,000 marks in 1522;⁶ and was patronised by his son-in-law, lord Mountjoy.⁷

D. 4 Dec. 1529, when his da. Mary (30) wife of Henry Bouchier, earl of Essex, K.G., and Gertrude wife of Henry marquess of Exeter and da. and h. of lord Mountjoy and Elizabeth his wife decd.,⁸ another da. of Sir William, were his da. and g.da. and heirs. He had only a life interest in the Hill lands in Dorset etc.⁹

SAYER, JOHN (1440-95); of Exeter. Town clerk. Lawyer.¹⁰ M.P. Exeter 1483 Jan.

Admtd. freeman of Exeter 1458/9; town clerk in 1474/5.¹¹ He was owed £11 in Devon 1473; sued the widow of John Chowne for detaining the deeds of a messuage in Exeter, 1475/85;¹² sued feoffees for land in Toryton, Devon, 1475/85.¹³ He was paid £4 for attendance at the Parlt. of 1483. He was recently dead, 20 Sept. 1495, when his widow, Elizabeth, conveyed property to his exōrs.¹⁴

SAYNTON, JOHN (1425-90); of Lincoln, lawyer; clerk of the Statute Merchant 1466-86; Coroner; Feodary of the Duchy. M.P. Lincoln city 1467-8, 1472-5; Grimsby 1485-6, 1487.

John, gent. of Stoke by Newark, Notts., and Thomas Saynton, glover, were bound in £100 to the sheriff of Notts., Dec. 1451. Eschr., Notts. and Derbys.,

¹ Feoffment by Elizabeth widow of Sir Thomas Waldegrave, upon William (s. and h. of Sir John Say), for life, of Walden, Essex (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 156). According to the pedigree in *Misc. Gen. et Her.*, Series V, vol. VI, p. 290 "Jenofefa" was coh. of John Hill and also heiress of Cecilia wife of Sir Thomas Kyriel (*q.v.*) widow of Sir John Hill of Spaxton who *d.* 1434, i.e. Genevièvre's g. mother. (See *ante* pp. 454, 521.)

² First husband of Sir William's stepmother—see Sir John Say.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 168.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1486 (m.8).

⁵ Ellis, *Original Letters*, 1st ser. I. 40.

⁶ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, iii. p. 1049.

⁷ Lord Mountjoy writes asking him to send venison, pigeons and rabbits for the wedding of his servant William Uvedale and Jane Dansey, one of his wife's gentlewomen, 1513; and to Wolsey, 1515; "trusts that his 'brother' (*sic*) Sir William's cause hath come to a good end;" and again, May 1518, asks "mine own good father" that his bailiffs shall bring up to London such men as he has pressed (*L. & P. Hen. VIII, passim*).

⁸ In Lord Mountjoy's will, 1534, he complains that his father-in-law had not put a stone over Elizabeth's tomb in Essenden church, Herts. (*Test. Vetust.* 67).

⁹ He was bur. in Broxbourne church with his two wives.

¹⁰ Named as attorney in an Exeter case, therefore a lawyer (*ex inf.* J. J. Alexander).

¹¹ Exeter deed 1322 (*ex inf.* J. J. Alexander).

¹² *Early Chan. Proc.* 54/47.

¹³ *ibid.* 58/179—John Renell of Lutcot was one of the feoffees.

1452-4, 1458-9; accounting for land in Norfolk 1456;¹ exor. in 1458 of a Nottingham will. On 13 Nov. 1466, he was made clerk of the statue merchant in the city of Lincoln.² Pardoned, 12 July 1468³ (the Parlt. in which he sat having been dissolved on 7 June); one of the Lincolnshire men whose arrest was ordered after Tewkesbury; J.P. Notts., 3 May to 9 Nov. 1470, removed from the bench by the Lancastrians. Pardoned, 24 Nov. 1471, "late escheator, *alias* appraiser of the subsidy of ulnage of cloth in Lincoln city, *alias* feodary as before, *alias* of Lincoln, gent." Again eschr., Lincs., 1474-5 while M.P., and pardoned arrears, 3 July 1476. In 1478 he intended to go on a crusade,⁴ but was elected sheriff of Lincoln city 1478-9; and in Feb. 1479 he was one of the two coroners of the city. Under Henry VII he was on gaol delivery comms. in 1486, 1487 and 1488. Pardoned, 10 July 1486;⁵ elected again for Grimsby in 1487—and then no more is heard of this remarkable pluralist.

SAYVELL see SAVILLE.

SCALES (SCOLES), JOHN (1410-67); ald. of Hull; shipowner. M.P. Hull 1447, 1460-1.

Perhaps s. of Richard Scoles, M.P. for Hull 1439.

Chamberlain of Hull 1435; bailiff 1437; alderman 1443.⁶ He was part-owner of the ship *Le Lyon* which had been plundered by pirates in 1446; pardoned, as "John Schalys of Hull, merchant, *alias* Scalys", 4 Nov. 1446; mayor of Hull, 1448-9, 1456-7; elector of Hull 1442, 1449 (1) (when called alderman), 1450, 1467; on a piracy comn. in Lincs., Oct. 1449; pardoned again 1452 and 1458; on comms. to press ships and men, 1454.

D. 1467; will, dat. 25 Oct., pr. at York, 17 Nov. 1467—John Scalys, alderman of Hull (4.242).

SCALES (SCOLES), RICHARD (1390-1445); ald. of Hull, mercht. M.P. Hull 1439-40.

He suffered loss of wool and "sarplers" in the wreck off Dover of the *Isabel* of Calais, 17 Sept. 1424.⁷ In 1426 he had licence to ship wool from Hull; chamberlain 1427,⁸ and one of the two bailiffs of Hull, 20 Oct. 1430;⁹ alderman 1440.⁸

He was probably dead by 1446, and John Scales M.P. may be his son.

SCANESBY, THOMAS (1420-70); of York, mercer. M.P. York city 1461-2.

Perhaps son of Robert Scanseby, sheriff of York 1446.

Elector, York, 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1450, 1453; pardoned, 20 June 1458, mercer,

¹ *Enr. Accts.* F. 37 Hen. VI, G.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1466), 531.

³ "Of Lincoln, gent., late of Stoke next Newark, feodary of the Duchy of Lancs. in Notts., Derbys., Leics. and Yorks.; late feodary of Henry VI in said counties, *alias* one of the Protonotaries of the Common bench, *alias* late of London, gent." (m.24).

⁴ *Abbot Whethamstede's Chronicle*, 191.

⁵ "Late escheator for Edward IV in Lincs., late escheator of Notts. and Derbys., *alias* feodary (as above), *alias* late J.P. Notts., *alias* farmer of Sir John Nevill's lands in Grimsby, *alias* late coroner of Notts., *alias* deputy to Sir John Elrington late feodary of the Duchy, *alias* late sheriff of Lincoln, *alias* coroner in Lincoln city, *alias* late farmer of the subsidy in Lincoln, *alias* clerk of the statute merchant." (m.15).

⁶ *Ex inf.* A. S. Harvey.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1424), 385.

⁸ *Ex inf.* A. S. Harvey.

⁹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 60.

citizen, or merchant of York (m.10); and, 12 Feb. 1462, Thomas Scanceby of York, mercer, *alias* Scanceby, citizen and merchant (m.6). A creditor in York, 1464.

SCARGILL (SKARGILL), THOMAS (1410-76); from Yorks.¹ Yeoman of the Chamber 1435-60; Keeper of Havering 1437-76; Rider of Waltham 1439-60.

M.P. Bedwin 1447; Bridport 1449 (1); Westbury 1449-50.

M. Elizabeth widow of — Rookwood, and da. of Sir John Tyrell of Heron, Essex, M.P., Treasurer of the Household.²

Granted 6*d.* a day out of Yorkshire³ as yeoman of the chamber, 1435; "yeoman of the crown" when made keeper of Havering park, July 1437; made, jointly with William Bolton, rider of Waltham and keeper of Havering, July 1439; apptd. tronon and peseur at Ipswich for life, June 1440; shared with Bartholomew Halley (*q.v.*) the usual tun of Gascon wine; and had the reversion of the custody of Byfleet, Surrey, after the death of John Penycok (*q.v.*), Mar. 1442. As yeoman-usher of the chamber he served at the coronation of Queen Margaret; pardoned, Nov. 1446, as of Havering atte Bower, yeoman of the crown (m.22). He and his colleague in the Household shared the representation of (Stafford's) Bedwin in 1447, and when Parlt. rose he obtained a grant of land at Rainham, Essex. Elector, Essex, 1449 (1) when elected for Bridport; elector, Suff., 1459. Parlt. exempted Scargill, as usher of the chamber, from the resumption of 1449-50. He served on comns. in Essex so long as the Lancastrians were in power, and again during the Readeption; retained his 6*d.* a day out of Yorks., Havering, the ridership of Waltham forest, and the tronage and pesage in Ipswich right up to 1460, and he accounts in 1460-1 for works at Havering. In 1461 he lost most of his appointments but was pardoned 1468 as "of Havering atte Bower, esq., *alias* late parker of Havering, *alias* officer of tronage and pesage at Ipswich".

D. 1475/6. Will, dat. 18 Aug. 1475, pr. 16 May 1476. To be bur. where he dies. Mentions land in Yorkshire. To Elizabeth his wife, lands in Hornchurch, Essex. Bequest to his da. Anne (P.C.C., 22 Wattys).

SCHERMAN see SHERMAN.

SCOLES see SCALES.

SCOTT, Sir JOHN (1423-85); of Smeeth and Brabourne, Kent. Deputy Butler of Sandwich 1459; Tronon of port of London 1461; Controller of Household 1461-71; Lieut. of Dover 1460-70; Marshal of Calais 1471-6. M.P. KENT (? 1461-2, 1463-5),³ 1467-8; Appleby 1472-5, (? 1483(1)).

S. and h. of William Scott of same, M.P. 1431 (*d.* 1433), by second wife Isabel Herbert who rem. Sir Gervase Clifton M.P.⁴ M. Agnes (*d.* 1487/8), da. of William Beaufitz of the Household and of Grange by Gillingham.

On Kent comns. from 1450 to Jan., Feb. and May 1460, but not the array of Dec. 1459. On 26 Nov. 1456 the King's squires, Scott, Horn and Fogge, being bound in 500 marks to William Porte, which sum they had expended by the advice of the council for the destruction of Jack Cade, were granted repayment from the

¹ William Scargill was an elector, Yorks., 1442; and see will.

² *Essex Visitn.* 113.

³ But in 1463 he was apptd. to apportion the subsidy from Kent, and from this list M.P.s were expressly excluded in the Act (Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV).

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 67/234.

customs on wool in London. He was pardoned, 10 Jan. 1458, "of Smeethe, Kent, gent., *alias* late of Brabourne" (m.42). Deputy Butler of Sandwich, 1 May 1459; sheriff, Kent, from Sir Thomas Browne's death (*q.v.*) to Nov. 1460; J.P. Kent, 2 Dec. 1458 to Dec. 1470, 27 June 1471 to 30 Oct. 1475, 15 Nov. 1481 till death.

Scott, Horn and Fogge, "the three captains", received and joined the Yorkist earls at Canterbury in June 1460.¹ After Edward's coronation Scott was made tronage and pesage officer in the port of London, 17 Apr. 1461, till he had recovered £256 that he had advanced to the cause; he had a 50 marks pension from St. Augustine's, Canterbury, 12 June, was kntd. 27 June, and made controller of the Household;² joint chirographer of the common bench, 1 Dec.; granted the reversion of Chilham castle on death of Margery Roos, 26 Feb. 1462; keeper of Higham, Bucks., 28 May; pardoned, 6 Feb. 1462, as "of Smethe, Kent, knight, sheriff of Kent, *alias* late of Brabourne" (m.46). The Bp. of Durham being a Lancastrian suspect, Fogge, Scott and Colt were made keepers of the temporalities of the See, 28 Dec. 1462. The keepership of Old Swinford, Worcs., followed, Jan. 1463, and he was able to pay his private debts to Cheyne and Fogge.³ As controller of the Household his pension of 50 marks was exempted from resumption in 1463 and 1467. Lieut. of Dover castle and the Cinque Ports 1460-70 during the wardenship of the earl of Warwick;⁴ and grants comns. and custodies continued to be showered upon him. In Sept. 1467 the Controller, with lord Scales and Hastings, joined Vaughan in Burgundy to treat of the marriage;⁵ and, with Wenlock and Howard, he accompanied the Lady Margaret to Burgundy in July 1468. From May 1469 till Feb. 1470 he was negotiating with the Hanse in Flanders. When Warwick lost the wardenship, 4 Apr. 1470, Scott was reapptd. lieut. of the Cinque Ports by letters patent,⁶ and in May the council sent him to hold Dover castle.⁷

He was abroad during the troubles of 1469, but in 1470 he almost certainly went into exile with his master and returned to fight at Barnet, going thence into Kent with Rivers to fight the Kentish men.⁸ When Kent was subjugated St. Leger remained in charge at Rochester and Scott at Sandwich.⁹ "Our Counsellor John Scott, knight"¹⁰ was Marshal of Calais by Mar. 1472;¹¹ on a boundary comn. there, June 1472;¹² in Sept., lord Howard and Scott feasted Gruythuyse at Calais on his way to England. Scott and Hastings were sent to Burgundy, Jan. 1473; next month he was made one of the councillors and tutors of the Prince of Wales. From May to Oct. 1473 and again Dec. 1473 to Apr. 1474 he was on embassy at Utrecht and Bruges.¹³ During the invasion of France, Scott was left in charge of Calais, and he was still marshal, still negotiating, in Sept. 1476.¹⁴

In the numerous grants and comns. to him which occur after 1470, concerning Chilham, Romney, Old Swinford, etc., he is never described as "Controller of the Household", and he had certainly ceased to hold that office by June 1471, when Sir William Parr was appointed. He was on all the Kent comns. in 1483, 1484, adhering to Richard III and retaining his pension and his ambassadorial functions.¹⁵ He may have sat in the 1484 Parlt. for he was pardoned, 20 July 1484, "late of

¹ Stowe, *Chron.*, 79; Worcester, *Chron.*, 772; Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 76.

² Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 158. ³ *Arch. Cant.* x. 251. ⁴ Statham, *Hist. of Dover*.

⁵ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 430. ⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1470), 206. ⁷ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 522.

⁸ *ibid.* i. 588. ⁹ *ibid.* ii. 2. ¹⁰ *Arch. Cant.* v. 124. ¹¹ *Foedera*, V. iii. 14. ¹² *ibid.* V. iii. 22.

¹³ Scofield, *Edward IV*, 37, 47, 63. ¹⁴ *Foedera*, V. iii. 72. ¹⁵ *ibid.* V. iii. 135.

Smethe, knight, late of London, late of Iden, Kent" (m.14). He continued to draw his pension under Henry VII,¹ but *d.* 18 Oct. 1485 when William Scott esq., aged 26, was his s. and h. Lady Agnes² *d.* in 1488 when her will was pr. in P.C.C. (15 Milles). His s. Sir William Scott (1459-1524) was also M.P. for Kent.

SCOTT, WILLIAM (1428-91); cadet of Smeeth, Kent. M.P. Huntingdon boro' 1450-1; Rochester 1455-6.

Third s. of William Scott of the same M.P. 1430 (*d.* 1433), by Isabel Herbert who remarried Sir Gervase Clifton M.P.; therefore yr. bro. to Sir John Scott M.P. the controller (1423-85) and uncle of Sir William Scott M.P. (1459-1524).

He was commissioned to arrest mariners in 1457; to arrest enemy vessels and to go to sea to defend Winchelsea against Warwick for one year with 200 men, 11 Dec. 1459.³ When the Yorkists came, and his bro. became one of the highest officials of the Court, William Scott was commissioned to deal with the Hungerford lands in the west, June 1462. He lived at his wife's place, Stapleford, Essex, and was on Richard III's comms. for Essex.

D. 3 Nov. 1491, when John, aged 35, was s. and h. of William and Margery, who were seised jointly of Stapleford, Essex.

SCOTT, Sir WILLIAM (1459-1524); of Iden, and Brabourne, Kent. Marshal of Calais 1491-2; Lieut. of Dover 1492; P.C. and Controller of Household?⁴ M.P. KENT 1495 etc.

S. and h. of Sir John Scott M.P. (1423-85) controller of the Household, by Agnes (Beaufitz); *m.* Sybil (*d.* 1527) da. of Sir John Lewkenor of Goring, and had Sir John Scott (*d.* 1533), who *m.* Anne Pimpe.

In Oct./Nov. 1483, acting for Richard III, he took part in the reduction of Bodiam castle, Sussex, held by the last of the Buckingham rebels. On his father's death he succeeded to many of the offices he had held; pardoned 26 June 1488, as of Iden, Sussex, esq.; J.P. Kent, 1 Apr. 1494 to 1506, kntd. 29 Nov. 1489; sheriff, Kent, 1490-1; marshal of Calais 1491; lieut. of Dover and Cinque Ports, 1492; controller of Household and King's Councillor about 1489; sheriff again 1501-2. He had succeeded to Brabourne, Kent, in 1495 on the death of Jane, widow of Sir John Lewkenor (killed 1471); for Brabourne had been settled in 1464 with remainder to Sir John Scott and heirs, failing issue to Jane Lewkenor.⁵ He rebuilt Scotts hall in Smeeth; was at court at York's creation 1494, and at Catherine's reception 1501; pardoned 1509 (where called also "tenant of Orlanston," *i.e.* Orlestone); again sheriff of Kent, 1516-7; at the Field of the Cloth of Gold 1519; at the reception of Charles V, 1522.

D. 24 Aug. 1524, M.I. Brabourne church.⁶

SCRASE (SCRAAS), ROBERT (1420-74); of Romney, merchant. M.P. Romney 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1460-1, 1463-5, 1467-8, 1470-1, 1472 till death.

Robert Scrase and John Ford were paid in 1452 for riding to the archbp. in

¹ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 257.

² In 1486 the Prior of Christchurch, Canterbury, granted to Lady Agnes Scott, to Edward Poynings and Isabel his wife (da. of Sir John Scott) and to William Scott and Isabel his wife licence to have private chaplains (*Arch. Cant.* xxix. 257).

³ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 55. ⁴ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*

⁵ Jane Lewkenor was da. of Richard s. of John Halsham. ⁶ *Dict. Nat. Biog. sub voce.*

London about the Romney charters.¹ 40s. was owed to him and to Godard Pulham (*q.v.*) in Sussex, 1455. In 1456 the barons of the Cinque Ports sued the provost of Yarmouth for arresting Robert Unwin (*q.v.*), Scrase, and John Golding, contrary to the liberties of the petitioners.² In connection with this bad business Romney paid Scrase 6s. 8d. He was paid as M.P. in 1463/4, and with John Castlake (*q.v.*) for riding to Dover about the prisoners in Scotland in 1469/70. Again in 1471/2 he had been riding to Arundel to see the Warden of the Cinque Ports. He was pardoned while in Parlt., 20 Aug. 1472, "as of Romney, merchant, *alias* yeoman." (m. 17).

D. before the dissolution of Parlt.; will, dat. 17 Mar., pr. at Canterbury 12 May 1474.³ About 1475 John Hunt, citizen and grocer of London, and Jane his wife, late wife of Robert Scrase, mercht., sued Richard Scrase as feoffee for uses of a house in Romney.⁴

SCUDAMORE (SKYDMOR), Sir JOHN (1385-1461); of Ewyas-Lacy and Kentchurch, Heref. M.P. HEREFORDSHIRE 1414 (1), 1414 (2), 1426, 1429-30, 1433, 1445-6, 1449 (1). Lancastrian.

S. of Philip de Scudamore of Kentchurch,⁵ beheaded in London 1409, and the heiress of Ewyas-Lacy; *m.* Alice, da. and coh. of Owen Glendower, and had a son John (attainted 1461) and others, from one of whom descends that family of Scudamore which still lives at Kentchurch.

Kntd. 1405/6; sheriff, Heref., 5 Feb. to 4 Nov. 1409; with four men-at-arms and twelve archers he fought at Agincourt in Henry V's retinue; sheriff, Carmarthen, 13 Feb. 1424 to 28 Sept. 1430; sheriff, Heref., 1430-1; J.P. Heref., 20 July 1424 to 24 Jan. 1433, and on Herefordshire comms. from 1414 to 1451. Called "knight to the King", 1429.⁶

In 1433 Scudamore was removed from the bench in Herefordshire and a fresh grant was made of the custody of Carmarthen castle and of many other offices and fortresses in South Wales, "because Sir John Scudamore was ineligible under the Act of 4 Henry IV, he having *m.* Alice, da. and h. of Owen ap Glendourdy, the traitor"; and for many years he was under an eclipse. He was, however, a Herefordshire elector in 1442 and 1447, and he was pardoned, 15 July 1446; sheriff again 1449-50. In Apr. 1455 the Lancastrian govt. sumnd. him to the meeting of the great council for Herefordshire; and the chroniclers relate that this old knight and his three sons were beheaded after the battle of Mortimer's Cross by the orders of Edward, earl of March, on 2 Feb. 1461.⁷ Chroniclers are not always correct. Thomas Fitz Harry, whom they beheaded on the same occasion, lived to fight many another day. John the eldest of the Scudamore sons lived to be attainted; and Sir John himself, together with ap-Harry (*q.v.*) and Thomas

¹ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* v. 543, Romney MSS.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/566.

³ Bequests, 40s. to John Chenew, and 13s. 4d. to William Chenew—sons of John Chenew (*q.v.*); silver cup to Ric. s. of Ric. Scrase "my brother" and to Alice da. of said bro., a small maser; to sis. Isabel a silver cup, and to her s. Ric. Hokynden 13s. 4d.; to the s. of Wm. Scrase of Winchelsea 2d.; to Kath. w. of John Chenew of Romney (*q.v.*) a maser. Residue to w. Jane, and she exor. with Richard my brother (Cant. Prob. Reg. C. ii. ff. 272d-273).

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 54/44.

⁵ Beheaded in London as being lieutenant to Owen Glendower, 1409.

⁶ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1429), 34.

⁷ Also Owen Tudor, g.f. of Henry VII.

Cornwall, were excepted by name from the general pardon offered in Wales on 12 Aug. 1461.¹ This exception was made by Edward IV, who must have known if the man he excepted from pardon had already been executed by his orders. War correspondents do exaggerate, and, possibly, perhaps, even that grey head of Owen Tudor, "which had lain on the bosom of a Queen", may after all have rested finally, not on a block, but on a pillow.

SCULL see SKULLE.

SCUTTING, RICHARD (1410-65); of Dunwich. M.P. Dunwich 1449-50, 1453-4.

Scutting was bailiff of Dunwich 1445 and 1456.² He was burgess and elector 1450.

SCY (? SAY *q.v.*), WILLIAM. M.P. Bletchingley 1450-1.

Probably William Say M.P. (*q.v.*).

SEATON (SEYTON), THOMAS (1410-65); of Maidwell, esq. M.P. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 1450-1.

Probably s. and h. of Sir John Seyton M.P. N'hants., 1438.

An elector of N'hants. in 1442 and 1455; lord of Maidwell, 1437, 1450. His s. and h. Thomas *m.*, at the age of 9, Jane Boughton, 1450.³

SEE, PIERS DE LA (1445-1500); ald. of Grimsby. M.P. Grimsby 1484.

Related to that "Sir" Martin de la See who attempted to resist Edward IV in Mar. 1471 at Ravenspur, and to Stephen de la See (*q.v.*).

A Lincs. elector 1467, called gent.; alderman of Grimsby 1483;⁴ collector of the 10th and 15th in Lindsey 1493/4, being called of Grimsby.⁵

SEE, STEPHEN DE LA (1440-1500); ald. of Grimsby. M.P. Grimsby 1485-6.

Related to Don Martin de la See (*fl.* 1453-95), and to Piers de la See (*q.v.*).

A Lincs. elector 1467, called gent.; mayor of Grimsby 1475, 1478;⁶ alderman 1485.⁷ In 1480/3 the coroners of Grimsby sued various burgesses, including Stephen de la See, concerning the election of the Mayor of Grimsby.⁸

He is said to have planted a pear tree in commemoration of his return (? to Parlt., or ? home afterwards), under which Shakespeare is said to have sat "when he penned the well-known lines:—'Hark, Hark! the lark'."⁹

SEELES see GINNOUR.

SEGRIM (SEGRYME), RALPH (1410-53/5); ald. of Norwich. M.P. Norwich 1449 (1).

A feoffee in Cavendish, Suffolk, 1437; elector, Norwich, 1442, 1449 (2), 1450, 1453 then alderman; sheriff of Norwich 1442 and 1447. Alderman from 1450/3 till death. The pardon roll, 14 Apr. 1456, includes "Richard Brown of Norwich, (M.P.), late mayor, citizen and alderman, *alias* exor. of the will of Ralf Segryme, late cit. and alderman of Norwich" (m.3). So that Segrim must have died between 1453 and 1455.

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1461), 45.

² Gairdner, *Hist. of Dunwich*.

³ Finch-Hatton Colln.—*ex inf.* Rev. H. Isham Longden.

⁴ Oliver, *Grimsby*, 117.

⁵ Fine Rolls, 7 Hen. VII (m.16).

⁶ Shaw, *Grimsby*, 116.

⁷ Oliver, *Grimsby*, 118.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 32/339.

⁹ Shaw, citing Oliver, *Grimsby*, 116, quoting Shakespeare.

SELHAM, WILLIAM (1400-50); of Reading. M.P. Reading 1445-6.

Perhaps g.s. of Thomas Selham, M.P. Reading 1397.

He was one of the XXIV of Reading in 1432; elector 1436 when bailiff, 1437; mayor 1438-9; a taxer of the London ward of Reading in 1442, 1443 and Jan. 1445; mayor again 1442-3.¹

SELLOWE, WILLIAM (1425-90); of Canterbury, mercer. M.P. Canterbury 1453-4, 1459, 1469, 1470-1.

In 1450 William Sellowe of Canterbury, mercer, was pardoned for being out with Cade. In Nov. 1471 he was pardoned for Faucomberg's rebellion in Kent. The Canterbury Accounts (1471-2) show a payment to him for riding to London to the King to bring back the liberties of the town;² a Canterbury elector in 1472. In 1480/1 a dinner was given to the mayor and the two chamberlains, and William Sellowe and John Whitlock, past chamberlains. In May 1482 he was exempted, for life, from office as "of Canterbury, mercer". In 1485, 6s. 8d. was paid by Sellowe, late mayor and escheator of Canterbury, out of the issues of his bailiwick.³ We may assume that he died soon after.

SELWOOD, HENRY (1400-50); of Wells, chapman. M.P. Wells 1439-40; Lyme Regis 1442.

Henry Selwood was made a freeman of Wells by patrimony, being son of William Selwood, 1423; pledges, William Selwood and John Cutte. He appears regularly as a pledge until 1448.⁴ In May 1438 Henry Selwood of Wells, chapman, was pardoned for not appearing in a plea of debt. There is no trace of any contemporary Selwood of Lyme Regis, and the Wells freeman was probably the M.P. for Lyme.⁴

SELYNGER see ST. LEGER.

SEMAN, JOHN (1430-97); ald. of Oxford, mercer. M.P. Oxford boro' 1478.

Bailiff of Oxford 1459;⁵ took part at the King's coronation, as one of the Oxford citizens, 1461;⁶ in 1473 an apportioner of the subsidy in Oxford;⁷ alderman from 1463 to 1496;⁸ on the mayor's council 1474; mayor 1476-7 and 1477-8 when returning himself for the borough, and 1482-3. Elector for the county (called mayor) 1478. His last appearance as an alderman was in 1496, and he was no longer alderman, probably dead, 1498.⁸

SEMAN, ROBERT (1400-55); of Chichester. M.P. Chichester 1449-50.

Constable of Chichester (named second) 1439, (named first) 1441, 1442, 1447; elected mayor on death of John Fust, 20 Jan. 1451 to Mich. 1452.⁹

SEMAR see SEYMOUR.

SERGEANT, JOHN (1410-67); of Nottingham. M.P. Nottingham boro' 1459.

¹ Guilding, *Reading Diaries*, i. pp. 1-21.

² *Hist. MSS. Comm.* ix. appendix i.

³ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 235.

⁴ Wells City Charters, *Somerset Record Society*, xlv. pp. 140-7.

⁵ *Liber Albus Oxon.*, 131. ⁶ *Munimenta Civitatis Oxonie*, 222. ⁷ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

⁸ *Ex inf.* Dr. Salter.

⁹ *Sussex N. & Q.* v. pp. 164, 165.

Surety for John Melton, 1433; bailiff of Nottingham 1446-7; elector, Nottingham, 1467, and died that year. Will of John Sergeant of Nottingham, dat. 8 July, pr. at York, Nov. 1467. It was presumably his son John whose will was pr. 1481, as of Nottingham, mercer.¹

SERLE, JOHN (1400-52); of Plympton-Earle. Customer 1436. M.P. Plympton 1431, 1432, 1433, 1435, 1437, (? 1439-40), 1442 and 1449 (1).

Either son of John Serle, M.P. Plympton 1414, or himself that Member. *M. Alice*, who survived him, and had another John Serle.²

£28 was owed to John Serle in Devon, June 1431; pardoned, May 1437, as late collector of customs on wool and skins, etc., in Plymouth and Fowey (m.10); sued Richard Fortescu *re* an award concerning a messuage in Plympton-Earle, 1437/8; and was sued by John Grybbe for a messuage and land in Plympton-Earle, enfeoffed by Robert Solers.³

In 1453/4—if that indeed be the date—Alice, late wife of John Serle and the exor. of his will, sued William Hole, token, *re* the lease of land in Drewsteignton, Devon,⁴ but in the next year a John Serle sued William Symonds and others for lands in Liskeard,⁵ and in 1460 a John Serle was an elector both for Devon and Devon boroughs. These two last entries may, of course, be the son of the M.P.⁶

SEWARD, JOHN (1445-92); of Wells and of Henton-Bluet, Som., esq. M.P. Wells 1483 Jan.

S. and h. of William Seward of Wells, a Somerset elector 1449 (1); *m.* Agnes.

Made freeman of Wells by patrimony 1463;⁷ pledge for Richard Hewet, when admitted to freedom, 1491.⁸ *D.* 10 Dec. 1492, when Henry, aged 10, was his s. and h.; lands—Henton-Bluet, and six messuages in Axbridge held of the bp. of Bath and Wells, and lands granted to him and his wife Agnes by his father William.⁹ The custody of the lands and heir was granted to Roger Trelauny, 28 Nov. 1493; and the heir, Henry, had licence of entry without proof of age, 29 Oct. 1506.

SEYMOUR, Sir JOHN (1402-64); of Wolfhall, Wilts. M.P. Ludgershall, 1422; WILTSHIRE 1435, 1439-40, 1445-6.

S. and h. of Roger Seymour of the same (*d.* 1420/1), by Maud da. and h. of Sir William Esturmy of Wolfhall.¹⁰ *M.* Isabel da. and h. of Mark Williams, mercht. of Bristol, and had John, M.P. (1425-63), and Richard, M.P. (1435-73).

Seven times sheriff—Hants, 1430-1; Wilts., 1431-2; Somerset and Dorset, 1433-4;¹¹ Hants, 1436-7; Wilts., 1450-1; Hants, 1453-4; Heref., 1457-8. Kntd. between 6 Sept. 1435 and 8 Nov. 1436. J.P. Wilts., 22 May 1443 to 29 Aug. 1459, and 8 Dec. 1459 to 22 July 1461. Constable of Farnham castle, 1448-55;¹²

¹ York Wills. 4. 231 and 5. 104.

² Cf. also Walter Serle (M.P. Totnes 1430) and John Serle (M.P. Portsmouth 1419).

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 15/181 and 16/446.

⁴ *ibid.* 24/110.

⁵ *ibid.* 24/196.

⁶ He is certainly not the John Serle of Essex, servant of the Duke of York; nor the John Serle, yeoman of Stourpaine, Dorset; nor the John Serle of Southampton; nor the John Serle, Common Clerk of Sandwich. How was the name so widespread.

⁷ *Som. Rec. Soc.* xlv. 150.

⁸ *ibid.* 161.

⁹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.* i. No. 870.

¹⁰ A writ of 9 Nov. 1451 shows him to be s. of Maud da. and h. of Sir William Esturmy, and as g.s. and h. of Esturmy he sued John Benger for Wolfhall in 1452/3 (*Early Chan. Proc.* 19/112).

¹¹ Called "of Hacche-Beauchamp."

¹² Pipe Rolls of Bp. of Winchester.

pardoned Nov. 1446;¹ and again June 1452; and again Nov. 1455, with other Lancastrians, when called for the first time "of Wolfhall".² Next month he was comsmd. to help the duke of York against the rioters in Devon. Pardoned again 1458,³ and pardoned all arrears of account as sheriff of Heref., Nov. 1458. He was also pardoned with other ex-Lancastrian officials, Apr. 1462.

D. 20 Nov. 1464, succeeded by his g.s., John, aged 14. He held at his death the castle of Marlborough,⁴ and he left rents at Marlborough to his second s. Richard. Will, dat. 30 Nov. 1464, pr. 23 Feb. 1465.⁵ To be bur. in Eston conventual church before the figure of the Trinity. Bequest to church at Bedwin. Residue to wife Isabel. Sons Roger, Richard, and Humphrey, exors.⁵ This ancestor of the Dukes of Somerset held the 15th century record for sheriffs and put both his sons into Parliament.⁶

SEYMOUR, JOHN (1425-63); of Stapleford, Wilts. M.P. Hindon 1450-1; WILTSHIRE 1453-4; Hindon ? 1455-6;⁷ WILTSHIRE 1459.

S. and h. apparent of Sir John Seymour of Wolfhall, M.P. (1402-64)⁶ by Isabel (Williams) of Bristol; *m.* 1447, Elizabeth da. and h. of Robert Coker of Laurence-Lydiard, Som.⁸

Sheriff of Wilts., 1457-8, while his father was sheriff of Herefordshire; pardoned with ex-Lancastrian officials, 28 June 1462; and died in his father's lifetime, presumably in 1463, leaving a son John, born 1449/50.⁹

SEYMOUR (SEMAR), RICHARD (1435-73); cadet of Wolfhall. M.P. Marlborough 1459, 1467-8.

Yr. s. of Sir John Seymour of Wolfhall M.P. (1402-64) by Isabel (Williams) of Bristol; and yr. bro. of John Seymour M.P. (1425-63).

His father, Sir John, was keeper of Marlborough castle when he died in 1464 and probably in 1459, which would explain Richard's first election for Marlborough. The feoffees of his father's will settled land and rents in Marlborough upon Richard and Isabel his wife and their issue, remainder to bro. John and issue, remainder to right heirs of their mother Isabel (Williams), 28 Sept. 1465.¹⁰ In 1465/70 Richard Seymour sued Tropenell (*q.v.*), a feoffee of Richard Erlegh (*q.v.*), for a corrupt verdict in an assise of novel disseisin concerning Stotescombe manor brought by Tropenell and other feoffees against the complainant.¹¹ But in Dec. 1470 Richard Erlegh granted to Richard Seymour land in Mildenhall, Wilts.¹²

D. 2 Apr. 1473, when Humphrey Seymour junior, aged 6, was his s. and h. Lands—Somerset, Oxon. and Wilts. There is a pardon, 2 Aug. 1468, to "Richard

¹ Pardon Roll, 1446, Knt., *alias* late sheriff of Hants, Wilts., Som., and Dorset, *alias* J.P. Wilts. (m.4). ² Pardon Roll, 1455 (m.16).

³ Pardon Roll, 1458, late of Wotton-Ryver, Wilts., *alias* late of Wolfhall, *alias* sheriff, etc. (m.38). ⁴ Waylen, *Hist. of Marlborough*. ⁵ P.C.C., 8 Godyn.

⁶ Although the Knight of the Shire making the deductions in 1445 is called John Seymour with no indication of knighthood, I think it certain that he was Sir John Seymour—the M.P. in 1439. It will be noticed that he is named first of the two, and the second, called John Beynton, was certainly a knight at that time.

⁷ The surname of the M.P. for Hindon in 1455 is hardly legible. It may be "Surnour", or "Swinour", or "Semour".

⁸ Licence was given to Sir John Seymour to grant one-half of Stapleford, Wilts., to John Seymour esq., and Elizabeth, his wife, 1447. ⁹ Hoare, *Modern Wilts.* i. 111.

¹⁰ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 310. ¹¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/197. ¹² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 321.

Semar *alias* Seymour, of London, merchant, citizen, woolman, *alias* fishmonger." Yr. sons did go into trade. But for "fishmonger", one might have linked the two contemporary Richard Seymours.

SEYNTLO see ST. LOO.

SEYTON see SEATON.

SHAA see SHAW.

SHARNBOURNE see SHERNBORNE.

SHARPE, JOHN (1395-1455/60); of Bristol, merchant. Customer 1443-6. M.P. Bristol 1429-30, 1432, 1442.

Perhaps s. of John Sharpe, mayor of Bristol 1415. Probably father of John Sharpe, junior (M.P. 1447 to 1461).

Sheriff of Bristol 1427-8; on comns. in Bristol 1428, 1434; mayor 1439 and 1450 when called the elder; grant for life of the office of customer of Bristol, and the right to buy and sell merchandise freely to aliens, 1443; and he was still a collector of customs and subsidy in Bristol in 1446;¹ elector 1431, 1437, 1447, 1449 (1), and in 1455 when called the elder.

SHARPE (SHERPE), JOHN (1415-65); of Bristol, merchant. M.P. Bristol 1447, 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1461-2.

Probably s. of John Sharpe, merchant of Bristol, M.P. (1395-1455).

As John Sharpe junior he was on a piracy comn. at Bristol 1452; elector, Bristol, 1450, 1453, 1455 and 1460. He was one of those to whom a loan of £2,000 was to be repaid in July 1461—probably a recent loan to Edward IV.

SHAW (SHAA), Sir JOHN (1450-1503); ald. of London, and of Arden Hall and Horndon House, both in Essex. Goldsmith; Searcher in the port of London;² Master of the Mint.³ M.P. London 1495, 1504 (elect.).⁴

Nephew and ult. h. of Sir Edmund Shaw (d. 1488) of Arden;⁵ m. Margaret (aged 12, da. of Ald. Thomas Ilam with £1,100),⁶ by whom he had Edmund (s. and h.), Audrey, Maud⁷ and other children.

Graver at the mint (for life), in succession to his uncle Sir Edmund, 26 Apr. 1482; granted (with Sir Reynold Bray, *q.v.*, and Sir Edmund Shaw) custody of lands and h. of John Wrytell,⁸ 29 June 1486. He was granted gold plate forfeited by Robert Mindrum⁹ of Lincs., 28 Nov. 1491; appears (with Sir Bartholomew Rede, goldsmith) as joint master of the mint, May 1492 and 1495-8; prime warden of goldsmiths co. 1491-2; alderman of London, 28 June 1496 till death; sheriff, 1496-7; kntd. (at the bridgefoot), 17 June 1497;¹⁰ mayor 1501-2; auditor, 1501-3; established annual mayoral banquet at Guildhall; present at meeting with Archduke Philip, 1500.¹¹

¹ Issue Rolls, Nos. 762, 764.

² Genl. pardon in *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1492), 410.

³ Beaven, *Ald. of London*, ii. 19.

⁴ He was elected also for 1504, but *d.* before Parlt. met.

⁵ Sir Edmund's bro. was Dr. Ralph Shaw (d. 1484), who preached the illegitimacy of Edward V from Paul's Cross.

⁶ Jor. 8, fo. 258, etc.

⁷ *Visit. Essex*, i. 141: she m. William Ayloffe of Hornchurch, Essex.

⁸ Wrytell m. Shaw's da. Audrey. Shaw was an exor. of Bray's will (1503; *Test. Vet.*, 447) and supervisor of that of Thomas Wyndout (*q.v.*), mercer of London (P.C.C., 4 Moore).

⁹ Probably relative of Henry Mindrum (*q.v.*), ald. and goldsmith of Hull.

¹⁰ Shaw, *Knights*, ii. 30; after battle of Blackheath. ¹¹ Gairdner, *L. & P. Hen. VII*, ii. 88.

D. 26 Dec. 1503.¹ Will, dat. 26 Dec. 1503, pr. 13 May 1504.² To be bur. in St. Thomas of Acre, London, in chapel built over burying place of his uncle Sir Edmund Shaw; prayers for Sir Bartholomew Rede, and ors.; a third of the residue to his w., a third to his children (except Audrey, who has had her portion), and a third for debts; exors. include Thomas Morowe, Nicholas Mattok, Sir Thomas Lovell (*qq.v.*), and Rede.

SHAW, RICHARD.

M.P. Wootton Bassett 1491-2.

Undiscovered.

SHEFFIELD, ROBERT (1405-84); of South Coningsby.³ M.P. LINCOLNSHIRE 1442, 1445-6.

He may be the Robert Sheffield who was governor of Lincoln's Inn in 1427,⁴ but is more probably his s. He was probably a lawyer as were his s. and g.s. By 1430 Robert Sheffield, s. and h. of Katherine, da. and h. of Thomas de Beltoft, had demised "Ayerlegh", Yorks.⁵

J.P. Lindsey, 3 Nov. 1430 to 1461; a feoffee in Cambs. 1431;⁶ a Lincs. comnr. of sewers, 1430-66; on other Lincs. comns. including *o. & t.* and gaol delivery 1433-60; an elector for Lincs. 1453; on the Lancastrian comn. of array for Lincs., Dec. 1459. Both Robert Sheffield elder and yr. were on the sewers comn. of Mar. 1465.

The *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, in the account of his g.s. the Speaker (*q.v.*), says that a Robert Sheffield *d.* 2 Richard III (1484), and quotes "*Cal. Inq. p.m.* iii, 422". If he died in 1484 he cannot well have been the governor of Lincoln's Inn in 1427.

SHEFFIELD, ROBERT (1430-1502); of Butterwick, Lincs., Barrister of the Temple. M.P. Bedwin 1467-8; Ludgershall 1472-5.

S. and h. of Robert Sheffield M.P. (1405-84); *m.* Jane (Genette) da. and coh. of Alexander Lounde of Butterwick, by whom he had Sir Robert, the Speaker.

He was pardoned, 6 Jan. 1458, as "junior, of West Butterwick, and Jane his wife, *alias* of Southcave, Yorks., *alias* s. and h. of Robert Sheffield senior" (*m.* 13); and he was pardoned again in June 1462 described additionally as "*alias* of the Temple, junior".⁷ J.P., of the quorum, Lindsey, 20 Feb. 1463 till death; a commissioner of sewers in Lincs., with his father, 1465; pardoned again, 16 Feb. 1472,⁸ and 5 Nov. 1484,⁹ and 10 Dec. 1485.¹⁰

D. at West Butterwick, 18 Aug. 1502, when Robert Sheffield, Kt., aged 40 and more, was his s. and h.; lands, Lincs.¹¹

¹ *Inq. p.m.*, Hen. VII, Nos. 679, 873; Edmund, aged 12½, is s. and h.; lands—Essex and Mdsx.

² P.C.C., 13 Holgrave.

³ He was evidently a Lincs. man, but it was his s. who *m.* the heiress of Butterwick, Lincs. His s. held South Cave, Yorks., and was also late of So. Conningsby, Lincs., so that Conningsby may be the parental property in Lincs.

⁴ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, p. 2.

⁵ *Inq. p.m.* 8 Hen. VI, C. 139, 45, 32.

⁶ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 133.

⁷ Pardon Roll, 1462, *m.* 25.

⁸ As "of Butterwyk or of Southcave."

⁹ As "of West Butterwick, Isle of Axholme, Lincs., esq., *alias* late of South Cave, Yorks." (*m.* 6).

¹⁰ As "of Boterwyke, esq., *alias* senior, *alias* late of Cave, Yorks., *alias* late of South Conyesby, Lincs." (*m.* 7).

¹¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. no. 566.

SHEFFIELD, Sir ROBERT (1462-1518); of London and of West Butterwick, Lincs. Recorder of London 1495-1508; lawyer. M.P. London 1495, 1497, 1504; LINCOLNSHIRE 1510 (SPEAKER), 1512-14 (SPEAKER), 1515.

S. and h. of Robert Sheffield M.P. (1430-1502) by Genette (Lound); *m.* (1) by 1485 Helen da. and h. of Sir John Delves M.P. (1418-71); and (2) Anne.

He was pardoned, 12 Dec. 1485, of London, of Butterwick, and of Chilwell, Notts.; a comnr. of sewers in Lindsey from 1486; J.P. Lindsey, 18 Feb. 1495 to 16 Nov. 1497 and from 13 July 1510; on many Lincs. and London comns. from 1486, including subsidy for both Lincs. and London, 1504.¹ He was made steward of Howden, Yorks., 1493; recorder of London by 21 Sept. 1495 and remained in that office till 1508;² kntd. at the bridgefoot after Blackheath fight, 17 June 1497.³ Elected SPEAKER 21 Jan. 1510 and 4 Feb. 1512, but not in 1515.

D. 1518. Will of Sir Robert Sheffield of Austin Friars, London, of Butterwick, Lincs., and of Yorks., dat. 8 Aug., pr. in P.C.C., 9 Dec. 1518. Leland says of him:—"he set up highly the name of the Sheffields by marriage of . . . This Sheffielde recorder began to build stately at Butterwick, as it appeareth by a great Towr of brike."⁴ His autograph signature appears on a deed of 1508, as shown below.⁵ He was the grandfather of the first Lord Sheffield.

SHELDON, RICHARD (1440-94); of Baldock, Herts. Auditor of the Exchequer 1468-94. M.P. Liskeard 1478.

He was at the Exchequer in Aug. 1468;⁶ was granted the tronage and pesage of Boston by the Readeption government, 25 Nov. 1470. In July 1472 Sheldon and John Clerk, two auditors of the Exchr., were apptd. auditors of the duchy of York with 20 marks a year, as William Roucliff and John Lutlington had had it, and the said two auditors had for their summer livery three yards of mustrevilliers cloth and, between them, 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ yards of green cloth for half a counting cloth.⁷ The same pair of auditors were charged with the auditing of Clarence's lands, 20 Sept. 1485; and exempted by Parlt. 1485,⁸ and Warwick's, Salisbury's and Spencer's lands likewise, 2 Mar. 1486. In 1485 he bought the manor of Kingswoodbury, Herts., from John Sturgeon (*q.v.*);⁹ on Herts. or Beds. comns., 1486 to 1491. In 1489 it was Sheldon and John Coton, "auditors of the Exchr., hearing and examining the accounts of the Gt. Wardrobe", who were issued with "long cloth of colour."¹⁰ His appointment as special auditor of Clarence, Warwick, etc., lands was renewed, 9 Apr. 1492, and he must have been also bailiff of Tewkesbury.¹¹

D. 1494/5. Will of Richard Sheldon the elder, of Baldock, Herts.—dat. 12 July

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. pp. 534, 542.

² On his retirement he was given 40s. a year and a ray gown of Christmas livery. Soon after, on being made Speaker, this was increased to 5 marks a year and a gown every Christmas "to thentent that he shall shew his lawfull favor and Counsell in the maters of this Citie." In 1514 the Court of Aldermen voted £5 to "Master Sheffield knt. and speaker of parliament *nomine regardi pro certis causis Civitatis expediendis*" (*Repertory* 2, fos. 57d, 130d, 171d).

³ Not at Stoke (1487), as in *Dict. Nat. Biog.*

⁴ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Robert Sheffield. But we think Helen Delves no great heiress and more likely da. of the younger Delves, also killed at Tewkesbury.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 523.

⁶ Issue Rolls, 1468-78.

⁷ *Wardrobe Accts. of Edw. IV*, 170.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 355.

⁹ *V.C.H., Herts.*, iii. 225.

¹⁰ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 500.

¹¹ Grant to a page of the Chamber of the office of bailiff of Tewkesbury, with wages as Richard Sheldon had it, 5 Mar. 1494 (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1494), 457).

1494, pr. 25 Aug. 1495.¹ He was succeeded by his son Richard, J.P. Herts., eschr. of Worcs., who *m.* Lytelton's da. His auditorship of the Exchequer was granted to George Dalyson in 1507.

SHELDWICH, JOHN (1390-1460); of Canterbury, gent. M.P. Canterbury 1413 (1), 1414 (1), 1414 (2), 1415, 1417,² 1419, 1421 (1), 1423-4, 1427-8, 1429-30, 1431, 1433, 1439-40.

Perhaps s. of John Sheldwich M.P. Canterbury, 1399.

On the comn. of array for Canterbury in 1435 and 1443; an elector, Kent, 1437; pardoned 1446.³ Sheldwich and William Bennett (*q.v.*) released in Nov. 1452 to the heiress of John Pyrye, decd., Pyrye's lands in Canterbury,⁴ and in Jan. 1457 he had recently demised land in Thanet to William Say (*q.v.*).⁵

SHELDWICH, JOHN. M.P. Liskeard 1478.

Undiscovered. Cf. John and Nicholas Sheldwich of Canterbury M.P.s. Probably a "carpet-bagger" from Kent.

SHELDWICH, NICHOLAS (1440-94); of Canterbury, esq. ? lawyer. M.P. Canterbury 1485-6, 1487, 1489-90.

S. of John Sheldwich; *m.* Agnes (*d.* 1517),⁶ da. of Richard Pargate, and had William, Stephen, Richard, Elizabeth and Anne.⁷

Admtd. freeman of Canterbury "by birth" 1469; sheriff of same 1471-2; elector 1478; chamberlain 1480-1; mayor 1482-4.⁷ He spent 4 weeks in London with William Bele and Thomas Holte, staying at the Middle Temple Inn, in 1480/1, dealing with the controversy between the city and the abbey of St. Augustine at Canterbury. On their return from London the city of Canterbury gave them a cocktail party (*fraccio jejunii et vinum*).⁸

D. 1494; will pr., 1 Sept. 1494, in the probate registry of Canterbury (A.69). Bur. in cemetery of St. Augustine's, Canterbury.

SHELLEY,⁹ JOHN (1456-1527); of Michelgrove in Clapham by Worthing, esq. M.P. Horsham 1491-2.

S. and h. of John Shelley (*d.* 1486); of London, alderman and mercer; *m.* (before 12 Mar. 1483) Elizabeth (*d.* 1513), da. and h. of John Michelgrove of Michelgrove,¹⁰ by whom he had Sir William, b. 1486, M.P.

¹ Bequests to das. Jane Culpeper, Prudence Poley, Elizabeth Baryngton and Katherine. His exors. are to ask forgiveness of the lord of St. Johns, and the master treasurer of the same, if he had ever done them any injury or misspent their money, and done anything wrong in the time of his service. £10 to be given them for his misbehaving. Exors. also to ask forgiveness of the Lord Chamberlain, Sir William Stanley, in case he has misspent his money. Exors. :-his wife and s. Richard (P.C.C., 15 Vox).

² Richard Stopyndon and Henry Lynde were returned, though John Sheldwich and Henry Lynde are named on the back of the writ.

³ Pardon Roll, 1446, of Canterbury, gent. (m.8).

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 404.

⁵ *ibid.* iii. p. 318.

⁶ Will, dat. 7 Feb., pr. at Canterbury 14 Mar. 1517. To be bur. beside husband N.S. esq., in St. Augustin's churchyard. Bequests to my son William Hede and his wife Eliz., to "my cosyn" Eliz. Hede, to my god-da. Anne Hede. Household utensils to Agnes and Wm. Kenett (*q.v.*). Exors. :-Wm. Hede and Eliz., his wife (Cant. Prob. Reg. A. xiv. ff. 317).

⁷ Cotton, *Grey Friars of Canterbury*, 95.

⁸ *Hist. MSS. Com.* ix. App. i. pp. 129-177.

⁹ Arms :-Sa., a fesse engrailed between three whelk-shells or.

¹⁰ John Michelgrove *m.* Mary, da. of William Sidney of Penshurst (*q.v.*), and the arms of Michelgrove and Sidney are shown impaled on Shelley's M.I.

Enfeoffed of the manor of Chelsing, Herts., 12 Mar. 1483;¹ on comms. of array, Sussex, 22 June and 1 July 1490, Feb. 1512; J.P. Sussex, 20 Feb. 1511; on sheriffs' roll for Sussex, but never pricked, 1516-9; juror at trial of the duke of Buckingham, 1521.²

D. 3 Jan. 1527;³ will, dat. 1 May 1526, pr. 30 Jan. 1527; to be bur. where he dies; £50 to s. Edward (from whom descended Percy Bysshe Shelley); sheep, etc. to (Sir) William, who is sole exor. He had also four other s., including Sir John, a knt. of St. John who was slain in the defence of Rhodes, 1522.⁴ Bur. in Clapham Church—M.I.⁵

SHEMING, THOMAS (1455-1523); of Rochester, tailor. Porter of Rochester castle 1498-1509. M.P. Rochester 1495, etc.⁶

S. of Robert Sheming of same (dead by 1478), s. of Richard.

The feoffees to uses of John s. and h. of Robert Sheming sued Thomas and John other sons of Robert s. of Richard Sheming for a messuage and lands in Boxle, Kent, 1478;⁷ but Thomas must have been h. by 1486 when he sued for land in Rochester as s. of Robert s. of Richard.⁸ He had also acquired by 1486 a house in Frindsbury, Kent.⁹ With Jane his wife and others he was suing for land 1490.¹⁰ Apptd. porter of Rochester castle, and keeper of the King's place and surveyor of the works there, 1498;¹¹ eschr. of Kent and Mdsx., 1498-9;¹² on gaol delivery at Rochester 1505; pardoned, 7 Aug. 1508, as citizen and tailor of Rochester, yeoman and late eschr.¹³ But on 30 Apr. 1509 Sheming of Kent, with Empson and Dudley, was exempted from pardon.¹⁴ This did not last; in Jan. 1515 the exors. of Sir Reynold Bray were directly to release John Sharp and Sheming of Rochester from the £40 wherein they were bound to Bray at Mich. 1498; and he was mayor of Rochester, 1515.¹⁵

D. 1523; will pr. Sunday after St. Luke Evangelist 1523, at Rochester.¹⁶

¹ The feoffees included his wife, Thomas Leventhorpe and John Apsley (*qq.v.*) (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1483), 323). On 21 Oct. 1527 his s. (Sir) William and Sir William Say had lic. to alienate Chelsing.

² *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, iii. 493.

³ *Inq. p.m.*, 19 Hen. VIII, vol. 46, Nos. 14, 40, 92; M.I. His s. and h. (Sir) William (Justice of Common Pleas and Recorder of London), aged 40 and more; lands—Sussex, Herts., and Kent.

⁴ P.C.C., 15 Porch.

⁵ Brass, with effigies of himself, in armour with a tabard, and wife, on a slab.

⁶ He may well have been M.P. for Rochester in the two succeeding Parls.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 57/309.

⁸ *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. 32.

⁹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 521.

¹⁰ Fine Roll, 5 Hen. VII (m.6).

¹¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1498), 155. He was bound in £40 to Bray and to Dinham, treasurer of England, Mich. 1498—probably the payment for being made porter of Rochester, or eschr.

¹² Issue Roll, 14 Hen. VII (m.11).

¹³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1508), 584.

¹⁴ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 11 (10).

¹⁵ Rye, *Collns. for Hist. of Rochester*.

¹⁶ To be bur. in St. Nicholas, Rochester. 30 sheep to the church; elaborate arrangements for his burial and 4,000 masses. Mentions his da. Denys; to son John his furniture and half his corn, and house in Rochester and house and rents in Eastgate st. Crow lane to be sold for the making of Eastgate bridge. Endows the Rochester almshouses and makes up roads. "My acre of land, called Standard's lying under Lepham croft to be used for the growing of peas for poor people for ever . . . 4 acres in Chatham, called Pepirlande," to be sold charged with the carrying, sowing and finding seed for the pea field. His cherry garden in St. Margarets to widow Agnes Clerk, reversion to his son John. Residue to s. John and he exor. with John Hardell and Thos. Motarde. Supervisors, the vicar of St. Nicholas and the curate of Chatham (P.R.C.).

SHERARD, THOMAS (1465-1538); of Stapleford, mercht. of the Staple.

M.P. LEICESTERSHIRE 1491-2.

S. and h. of Geoffrey Sherard of same¹ by Joyce da. of Thomas Ashby of Loseby; *m.* Margaret da. and h. of John Helwell.²

Sheriff, Rutland, 1494-5, 1505-6, 1536; eschr., Warw. and Leics., 8 Feb. 1520-21. He was one of the 800 (named) merchants of the staple fined and pardoned, 27 Nov. 1505.

D. 6 Mar. 1538, when George, aged 40, was his s. and h.; lands—Rutland, Leics., Lincs. Will, as of Stapleford, Leics., esq., dat. 1 Mar., pr. 30 Mar. 1538. To be bur. in his own chapel at Stapleford; burial rites at discretion of his s. Richard and he exor. and residuary legatee.³ The reference in his will to his burial sounds as though he was inclined to the reformed doctrines.

SHERIFF, JOHN. M.P. Grimsby 1459.

Undiscovered. The name is not found in any northern county. (H.H.S.)

SHERINGHAM (SHILLYNGHAM), ROBERT (1430-85); of Leicester.

M.P. Leicester boro' 1459 (Shillyngham), 1467-8.

Among the rents paid to the chantry of Corpus Christi in 1458 is an assessment of 2s. on Robert Sheringham for a tenement in the Saturday market.⁴ He was mayor of Leicester 1460-1, 1470-1; and steward of the fair there 1477/8, 1478/9, 1479/80 and 1480/1.⁵

SHERLEY see SHIRLEY.

SHERMAN, JOHN (1425-74); of Lewes and of Hailsham, souter. M.P. Lewes 1467-8.

Brother to Mr. Thomas Sherman, M.P. Lewes 1459. Pardon 12 July 1452, John Sherman of Haylesham, Sussex, souter (m.15). D. 1474; will, dat. 20 July 1474, pr. 26 Jan. 1475.⁶

SHERMAN, RICHARD (1435-95); of Ludlow. M.P. Ludlow 1467-8, 1478.

He was a Ludlow man, and manucaptor for the Ludlow M.P.s in 1472. He lived at the corner house in Dinham. Exor. for the will of John Hosyer in 1486, and thus a founder of the Hosyer almshouse in Ludlow. Custos of the palmer's guild 1487, 1488, 1489. In 1490 Richard Sherman of Ludlow was granted for life the custody of Oakley Park with 51s. a year out of the fee farm of Ludlow.⁷ D. 1495.⁸

SHERMAN (SCHERMAN), ROGER (1415-65); of Windsor, waterman.

M.P. Windsor 1447, 1449 (1), 1450-1, 1453-4.

Perhaps s. of John Sherman of Windsor, sworn to the peace in 1434.

In Oct. 1449 Roger Sherman, being then one of the bailiffs (? therefore not M.P.), replies to the sheriff's mandate for election. In Mar. 1460 a pardon was

¹ A Leicestershire elector in 1467. ² *Visitn. Leics.*, 10. ³ P.C.C., 15 Dyngeley.

⁴ Miss Bateson, *Leicester Records*, 260. ⁵ *ibid. passim.*

⁶ To be bur. in his chapel of the B.V.M. newly built in the church of St. Peters, Lewes. Many bequests to different churches. To Alice Aptott 40s., to William Crosman "of my household" 40s., to w. Jane and to s. John, and to Thomas Sherman his brother's s., and to Mr. Thomas Sherman his bro. (P.C.C., 19 Wattys).

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1490), 333.

⁸ *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

issued to Roger Sherman, waterman.¹ Thomas Sherman was bailiff of Windsor boro' in 1467.

SHERMAN (? *alias* BAKER), THOMAS (1425-94); of Lewes. M.P. Lewes 1459.

Prob. the Mr. Thomas, bro. of John Sherman of Lewes M.P. in 1474.² In 1475/85 Edward Fowler sued Thomas Baker, *alias* Sherman of Lewes, for a malicious action in the common pleas for alleged forgery of a deed to the Hyde near Lewes;³ and about the same time John Baker s. of Thomas Sherman of Lewes was party to a suit.⁴ But this aliased one is not likely to be the M.P. who died 1494/5. Will, dat. 1 Dec. 1494, pr. 12 Sept. 1495. To be bur. in St. Peter's, Lewes. Household goods to his w. Juliana; others to s. Thomas; others to be settled on Mawde, w. of s. Thomas. Exors:—John Ryall, Richard at Ree, and Henry Kendall.⁵

SHERNBORNE (SHARNEBOURNE), THOMAS (1422-59); of Shernborne, Norfolk. Servant to Queen Margaret 1451-9; Customer of Lynn 1455-9. M.P. NORFOLK 1449-50. Lancastrian.

M. 1445-7 Jamona Cherneys, a lady in attendance on Queen Margaret of Anjou.⁶ This lady "Jamona Sharnebourne of Sharnebourne, Norfolk, widow of Thomas Sharnebourne esq., late sheriff, and exix. of his will", was pardoned with the ex-officials, Feb. 1462 (m.38).

Eschr., Norfolk and Suffolk, 1447-8; sheriff, 1452-3; a feoffee of Burgh, Norfolk, 1449;⁷ for good service to the King and Queen, he was pardoned in June 1451 for failing to appear to answer an indictment before the Justices of o. & t. On 27 May 1454 (? 1453) the Duke of Norfolk petitioned, alleging that Shernborne, the sheriff, "with intent to make knts. of the shire after his own intent" had made return that his officers "dare not hold shire" (court) because of the threats of the duke's servants.⁸ Shernborne was made controller of customs at Lynn, to exercise in person, 7 June 1455; *i.e.* after St. Albans battle, and perhaps a form of banishment.

D. 1459; will, dat. 31 Jan., pr. 8 Apr. 1459;⁹ bur. in Shernborne Church —M.I.¹⁰

SHERPE see SHARPE.

SHETFORD, PIERS (1415-65); of Wells. M.P. Wells 1449 (1).

The name printed in the official return is Shelford, but on inspection we find

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1460), 552.

² Will of John Sherman 1474 mentions bro. Mr. Thomas Sherman and that brother's son Thomas (P.C.C., 19 Wattys).

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 54/186.

⁴ *ibid.* 51/213.

⁵ P.C.C., 20 Vox.

⁶ *Letters of Queen Margaret*, 107.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 232.

⁸ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 183.

⁹ To be bur. in the chapel of St. Nicholas at Shernborne. "Item, I seche our sovraigne ladie the Quene in as humble wise as I can and may it please her highness of her bounteous good to take uppon her for to bee the principall overseer of this my private testament and last will, and also to be good and gracious ladie to Jamon my wife and to all myne childern." Bequests to Jamon, and to sons John, Edward and Anthony, and da. Margaret. Exors:—Jamon and John Fyncham "learned man in the law," and Sir William Peper, clerk (P.C.C., 16 Stokton).

¹⁰ Brass, with effigies of himself and his wife.

it should be printed as above. In 1436 Piers Shetford was admitted freeman of Wells, with pledges, Henry Selwode and William Hunt.¹

SHIPWARD (SHEPARD), JOHN (1405-73); of Bristol, mercht. M.P. Bristol 1453-4, 1459, 1460-1.

Sheriff of Bristol 1429; bailiff 1439; mayor 1444-5, 1455-6, 1463-4, 1469-70;² elector 1427, 1429, 1431, 1432, 1435, 1437, 1447, 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1467;³ pardoned 1447, 1452;⁴ on comns., Bristol, July 1460 and of *oyer*, Jan. 1464, while mayor. A comn. was appointed, 27 Feb. 1460, to enquire into the complaint of Shipward and other Bristol merchants of piracy. The elector of 1460 is probably his son John, who shortly before *m.* Agnes, da. of Walter Norton and sis. of the w. of Robert Strange (*q.v.*). During the Readeption, senior and junior, *alias* Shepard, were pardoned.⁵ and the elder was again pardoned on the restoration of Edward IV.

D. 14 Dec. 1473, and succeeded by his s. John. Yet, on 1 Nov. 1474, he was pardoned as "senior, merchant of Bristol" (m.3). He was a wealthy merchant who, c. 1470, erected the tower of St. Stephen's church. M. Catherine.⁶

SHIRLEY (SHERLEY), HUGH (1425-80); of Leominster. Yeoman of the Crown 1461-79. M.P. Leominster 1450-1, 1460-1, 1472-5. Yorkist.

A Leominster burgess and elector 1449 (1), 1449 (2), and in 1453 when he was also an elector for Hereford Co.; pardoned, 14 Aug. 1452, as "of Leominster, yeoman" (m.22); one of those denounced in Parliament (1455) as maintaining robbers and peacebreakers;⁷ pardoned in 1457 for offences against the Statute of Liveries, and in Dec. 1459 for all treasons—evidently a Yorkist who had been at Ludford.

With Edward's accession Shirley came up from Hereford too, was made yeoman of the crown with 6*d.* a day out of Hereford city, 25 July 1461. A further pension of £10 a year from the earldom of March followed, Aug. 1461; eschr., Heref., 1461-4 and in 1474. The Parliaments of 1461, 1464, 1467 and 1473 exempted him from resumption; and in May 1465 he had granted to him and his heirs the forfeited lands of Thomas Cornwall in N'hants. and Heref. In Feb. 1477 Hugh Shirley, yeoman of the crown, late eschr., was pardoned all arrears of account. Usher of the chamber 1478-9⁸. It may be his son who as Thomas Shirley was the bailiff of the abbot of Reading in Leominster in 1472, and who, as bailiff, made the returns for that borough.

SHIRLEY, HUGH (1465-1505); of Stockton in Leominster. M.P. Leominster 1491-2.

Fourth s. of John Shirley of Easington, Warw., *d.* 1486, by Eleanor da. of Sir Hugh Willoughby. M. Anne (*d.* 1510), da. and coh. of John Hevyn of Dilwyn, Heref.—so says *Stemmata Shirleiana*, but he might well be a son of Hugh Shirley, M.P. Leominster (1425-80). Yeoman of the crown.

Sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 1496-7, called "esq."

¹ *Somerset Rec. Socy.* xlv. p. 144.

² Barrett, *Bristol*, 679.

³ Called senior on the 1467 indenture.

⁴ Pardon Roll 1452, "of Bristol, merchant" (m.33).

⁵ Pardon Roll 1470/1, Hen. VI.

⁶ Williams, *Glos. M.P.s.*

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. 368.

⁸ Issue Rolls, 18 & 19 Edw. IV, Nos. 845, 851, etc.

SHIRLEY, Sir RALPH (1459/60-1517); of Staunton-Harold, Leics., and of Ettington, Warw. M.P. LEICESTERSHIRE 1495.

S. and h. of John Shirley of same,¹ *d.* 1486 (Ralph then 26) by Eleanor da. of Sir Hugh Willoughby. *M.* four times—last Jane da. of Sir Robert Sheffield, the Speaker (*q.v.*). Ancestor of Earl Ferrers and of Mr. Shirley of Ettington.

Pardoned, Dec. 1485, as of Onlep, Leics.; kntd. at Stoke fight, 16 June 1487; at court at the meeting with lord Querdes 1492;² J.P. Leics., 12 July 1489 to 20 May 1493, 12 Oct. 1496 till death; sheriff, Warw. and Leics., 1493-4; sheriff, Notts. and Derbys., 1496-7; J.P. Derbys., 30 Nov. 1497 till death; on Leics. comms. 1487 onwards; on Derbys. comms. 1496; pardoned, 14 May 1510, as of Stanton, Onlep and Kenington, Leics., of Shirley and Melbourne, Derbys., *alias* of London; comsmd. to serve the King by land in France 1512.³

D. 6 Jan. 1517, when Francis, aged 25, was s. and h.; lands also in Suffolk, Notts. and Warw.⁴ Will, dat. 2 Jan., pr. 1 Dec. 1517. To be bur. where he dies. Bequests to w. Jane. His five bros. to have 6 marks a year each; cousin Sir Richard Sacheverel to have a cross of gold. Exors:—Sir Richard Sacheverell, his bro. Robert Hazelrigg, his priest Jas. Smyth and Thos. Herbert. Overseer:—w. Jane.⁵

The one proved case of male descent from a Domesday tenant, today still on their Domesday manor.

SHIRLEY, THOMAS (1435-90); of Leominster. Bailiff of Abbot of Reading 1472. M.P. Leominster 1467-8.

Hugh Shirley (1425-80) was M.P. Leominster. Thomas, being then bailiff of the abbot of Reading, was party to the return of Hugh Shirley in 1472, and he was elector, styled burgess, in 1478.

SHIRLEY (SHYRLEY), WILLIAM (1410-55); of the Household from 1444; yeoman of the Crown 1446-50. M.P. Reigate 1447.

As King's Serjeant and page of the chamber he was granted a pension of £6 6s. 7d. in July 1444. As serjeant of the chamber he had a pension of £10 a year from the issues of Wilts. granted to him in Feb. 1445; and in Sept. 1448, as King's servant, yeoman of the crown, he was granted 6d. a day for his fee to date from 17 Apr. 1446, to be paid out of the issues of the farm of the city of Winchester. He was exempted from resumption, as yeoman of the crown, 1449-50. This must be the M.P. for Reigate, and it will be the same William Shirley who was a feoffee in a fine of lands in Dorking in 1444.⁶

SHORT see HASARD.

SHORTER, WILLIAM. M.P. Steyning 1472-5. Undiscovered.

SHOTTESBROOK, Sir ROBERT (1400-71); of Faringdon, Berks.; King's Knight. M.P. BERKSHIRE 1423-4; WILTSHIRE 1426; BERKSHIRE 1433, 1439-40.

Yr. s. of Gilbert Shottesbrook of the same and h. to his bro. John;⁷ *m.* (1) Edith, widow of Sir John Beauchamp;⁸ and (2) by 1449, Elizabeth (Isabel), widow of

¹ In 1490 Sir Ralph s. and h. of John Shirley sued successfully for land in Worthington and Newbold, Leics. (*Geneal. N.S.* xxiii, 148).

² Gairdner, *L. & P. Hen. VII*, ii. 291.

³ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 1176, 2 (B).

⁴ *Inq. p.m.* 9 Hen. VIII, Vol. 32, No. 16.

⁵ P.C.C., 1 Ayloffe; *Test. Vetusta*. 530.

⁶ *Surrey Arch. Soc.*, Vol. 187.

⁷ *Geneal. N.S.* xix. 106.

⁸ Ancestor xi. 69.

John Barton.¹ His da. and h., Eleanor, *m.* Sir John Cheyne of Sheppey M.P. (1410-67).

Served Henry V and VI in France;² knth. by 1423; sheriff of Wilts., 1423-4, while M.P. for Berks.; had confirmation of his 50 marks pension, 1431. He was sent to negotiate with Denmark and the Hanse in 1432.³ J.P. Berks., 1 Dec. 1432 to 20 Nov. 1458; and on Berks. comms. from 1430 to 1450; mainpernor for Sir William Lovell 1432. He swore the Berkshire men to the peace in May 1434; and went to Burgundy in Feb. 1435 to negotiate a trade agreement between Calais and Flanders; abroad again to treat for peace at Arras, June 1435, and took with him, being then King's knight, £200 in gold and silver. He sat in the 1439-40 Parlt., and was again dispatched on an embassy to the Hanse in July 1448. In 1449 he accounts for another mission to the King of Denmark, whither he was sent on the 11 May.⁴

He conformed under the new dynasty and kept his pension, which was exempted from resumption in 1464.⁵ Still alive in 1467 when he sued John Roger the younger and Margaret, his wife, for lands in Purton, Wilts., which Adam Walrond had given to his daughter, Jane, mother of Gilbert Shottesbrook, the father of Robert Shottesbrook, Knt.⁶ *D.* 1471/4.⁷

SHOYLL, JOHN⁸ (1430-95); of Shaftesbury, mercer. M.P. Shaftesbury 1472-5.

He was a feoffee for Thomas Wylham, clerk, in 1459 and survived as such in 1490.⁹ A mercer;¹⁰ constable of Shaftesbury 1460;¹¹ mayor 1470.¹² He apptd. John Blanford and William Skynner his attornies in Oct. 1491.¹³

SHROPSHIRE, JOHN (1435-95); of Southampton, merchant. M.P. Southampton 1484.

A merchant or manufacturer and exporter of cloth. Steward of Southampton 1469; bailiff 1471, 1473; sheriff 1477-8; mayor 1479; alderman from 1484.

D. 1495; will pr. 3 May 1495. He left his property to his wife Marion, reversion to his son Thomas, successive remainders to his da. Alice Bedam and to the mayor and corporation of Southampton. £5 for annual masses.¹⁴

SHYRLEY see SHIRLEY.

SIBILLES, ABRAHAM (1440-1501); ald. of Windsor, and of Boveney, Bucks. Clerk of Windsor castle 1485. M.P. Windsor 1491-2.

Already a freeman of Windsor, he was elected alderman, 1473.¹⁵ Pardoned, 15 Feb. 1486, as "late" clerk of Windsor castle, "late" of Boveney, London and

¹ In 1430/55 he and his w. Isabel, late wife of John Barton, sued Sir Robert Whittingham for an annuity out of the Manor of Stoke, Bucks. (*Early Chan. Proc.* 16/703), and in 1449 the same two demised Woodperry, Oxon., to Edmund Hampden (*q.v.*) and John Weston for eight years (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 174). ² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1431), 122; (1458), 398.

³ *Exchq. Accts.* 322/23.

⁴ *Foedera*, V. ii. p. 9.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* v. 527.

⁶ *Geneal. N.S.* xix. 106.

⁷ In July 1474, Elenor, late w. of Sir John Cheyne, had licence to endow a chantry at Faringdon, lately built by Robert Shottesbrook, Knt. (*after* the birth of Edward, Prince of Wales), to pray for the souls of Sir Robert and Edith, his first w., and Elizabeth, his second w.

⁸ *cf.* John Shoyll, M.P. Wareham 1414. ⁹ Mayo, *Shastonian Records*, 38.

¹⁰ *ibid.* pp. 38, 79.

¹¹ *ibid.* 204.

¹² *ibid.* 43.

¹³ *ibid.* 80.

¹⁴ *Ex inf.* J. S. Furley; *Southampton Record Soc.* (Black Book), xvi.

¹⁵ Tighe & Davies, *Windsor*, i. 400 n.

Windsor; a feoffee of William Evington's (*q.v.*) will, 1487;¹ on Windsor gaol deliveries 1488-96; one of those bringing suit in the borough court, 1496.²

D. shortly before 21 July 1501, when his writ of *diem clausit* was issued to the eschrs. of Berks. and Bucks.³ Ten years later the wardship and marriage of Isaac s. and h. of an Abraham Sybyll was granted to John St. Polle.⁴ The naming of Isaac and the profession of clerk make it possible that Abraham was a Jew.⁵

SIDDALE (SYDALE), RICHARD. Serjt. in attendance on the Speaker. M.P. RUTLAND 1478.

The King's servant Richard Siddale was granted the office of King's serjeant-at-arms in attendance on the Speaker, 10 Oct. 1471 (when there was actually no Speaker), as John Bury held it, with 12*d.* a day out of the issues of Hants, and livery as of an esquire of the Household.⁶

It is obviously of the utmost importance to discover more of this man and his office. He was a Rutland elector, 1472; and a man of the same name is given as marrying Agnes da. of John Clark, and she remarrying Simon *alias* Everard Digby (*q.v.*),⁷ which indicates a Rutland man of the same name two generations earlier. Therefore he was no carpet-bagger.

SIDE (SYDE), RICHARD. M.P. Wareham 1449 (1).

On 8 June 1472 Richard Syde paid 6*s.* 8*d.* for a writ in Leicester.⁸ Therefore probably not a local burgess.

SIDNEY (SYDENEYE), WILLIAM, the younger (1405-77); of Cranley, Surrey, and Kingsham, Sussex. M.P. SURREY 1439-40 (called Younger).

Yr. s. of William Sidney of Cranley, Surrey (*d.* 1449), and yr. bro. of William Sidney the elder, of Baynards in Cranley (*d.* 1462).⁹ But whether his mother or wife were Cecily, Isabel or Thomasine—a Mitchell or a St. John or a Barrington—and who was really the ancestor of the House of Penshurst remains in 15th century obscurity.¹⁰

¹ Tighe & Davis, *Windsor*, i. 455.

² *ibid.* i. 449 n.

³ Fine Roll, 16 Hen. VII (m.5).

⁴ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. p. 474.

⁵ But cf. Nicholas Sibilles J.P. Kent 1455-60, Rawlyn Sibilles, shipmaster of Calais 1451, and John Sibilles, brewer of London, 1439.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 281.

⁷ *Visitn. Rutland*, 17.

⁸ Fine Roll, 12 Edw. IV (m.15).

⁹ The Inquests on this William Sidney the elder, late of Stoke d'Abernion, were held in June 1477 (*Inq. p.m.* 17 Ed. IV, No. 38), when he was variously stated to have *d.* 22 Oct. 1463 and 22 Oct. 1462. His heirs were his das. Elizabeth (19) and Anne (18), then wives of John Hampden and William Uvedale. He had held land in Cranley, jointly with his w. Elizabeth (Norbury). The grant of July 1463 proves that he must have died in 1462 and not Oct. 1463. Presumably the inquests were not held till June 1477 because only in July 1477 was his yr. bro., William Sidney younger, dead; and William Sidney younger was a powerful man and in litigation with his sister-in-law. For William Sidney the younger sued Thomas Uvedale of Wickham, Hants (M.P.), and Elizabeth (da. of Sir Henry Norbury, M.P., and widow of William Sidney the elder, of Baynards) his w., for illegal entry at Rudgwick. He claimed, as bro. and h. of William Sidney the elder, of Baynards, who was s. and h. of William Sidney of Cranley. The defendants claimed by demise of William Sidney the elder, of Baynards, to Elizabeth Norbury (probably on her marriage to him) and her heirs male of body, and she had now married Thomas Uvedale, 1473 (*Geneal. N.S.* xix. 243).

¹⁰ Manning and Bray, *Surrey*, i. 94. It is impossible to reconcile the Sidney Pedigrees given by Manning and Bray with that in Mr. Philip Sidney's *The Sidneys of Penshurst*, or that given from the Plea Rolls of 1473, printed in the *Geneal. N.S.* xix. 243.

A Surrey elector 1431, 1433, 1437, 1442, and on Surrey comns. in 1427, 1429, 1431, always described as "younger". In Nov., 1447, William Sidney the younger had leave to empark 800 acres in Ewhurst, Cranley, Rudgwick, etc., Surrey and Sussex.¹ It is probably he who was comnr. of sewers in Sussex in 1463. One may add that William Sidney junior came into possession of Loseley, Surrey, in 1449, and certainly died in 1477.²

SILK (SYLKE), JOHN; probably of Taunton. M.P. Taunton 1442.

Richard Silk was a Somerset elector in 1450; and in 1465 a *Richard* Silk was an absentee jurymen at Taunton, therefore Silk may be taken to be a local name, and he was probably a burgess.

SILTON, JOHN (1435-90); of Winchelsea, merchant; Yeoman of the Crown. M.P. Winchelsea at some time, probably 1461-2.³

Perhaps s. of Thomas Silton (1410-65) M.P. Winchelsea.

John was pardoned, 7 Jan. 1471, as John Shilton of Winchelsea, merchant, *alias* Silton. In July 1475 a John Sylkton, which may or may not be the same man, was made controller of great and petty customs, etc., at Chichester. John Sylton was King's bailiff of Rye, 3 May 1481 (then called yeoman of the crown) till deprived, 24 Sept. 1485.⁴

SILTON (SYLTON), THOMAS (1410-65); of Winchelsea. M.P. Winchelsea 1442, 1447, 1449-50, 1453-4.

In 1454/5 Robert Horne, esq., Thomas Thounder, and Thomas Sylton fined with Thomas Pope and Catherine his wife, for the manor of Leasham in Rye. The right was conceded to Robert Horne and his heirs.⁵ Bailiff of Winchelsea 1455.⁶ Thomas Silton may be presumed father of John Silton, merchant of Winchelsea (1435-90) M.P. for Winchelsea in 1461-2.

SILVESTER (SYLVESTER), THOMAS (1405-65); of Winchester. M.P. Winchester 1450-1, 1455-6.

In 1439/40 Silvester was elected as one of the Winchester XXIV, and served as their bailiff. In 1442 he was on a jury of twelve to settle the amount of the allowance to be granted to the mayor. In 1455/6 the Chamberlain's roll records payment to Silvester and Smart by the two collectors of 9s. 6d. for going to the Parliament held at London in the preceding year. Finally in 1460 Silvester took in 2 feet from the King's soil for a house he is building at Winchester.⁷

SINGLETON, THOMAS (1400-59); of Hartwell. M.P. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 1450-1.

M. Agnes da. and h. of Thomas Stokes by Eleanor da. and h. of Sir Robert Luton.⁸

Eschr. Beds. and Bucks., 1433-4; J.P. Bucks., 8 July 1437 to 1459; on Kent and Sussex comns. 1435, 1453 and 1457; sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1443-4, 1454-5. Singleton was one of those who founded a guild at Aylesbury, Dec. 1450; pardoned, 1 Oct. 1455, as "of Hertwell, Bucks., esq., *alias* late of Gt. Chart,

¹ *Cal. Char. Rolls*, vi. 98.

³ Larking MSS. Maidstone Public Library.

⁵ *Sussex Record Soc.* xxiii. 266.

⁷ *Ex inf.* J. S. Furley.

² See note ¹⁰ on p. 768.

⁴ L. Vidler, *Rye*, 43, 157.

⁶ *Rye Chamberlain's Accts.* i. f. 48.

⁸ Lipscomb, *Bucks.*, i. 301.

Kent, *alias* late eschr. *alias* late of London, gent."; and 6 Jan. 1458, as "of Hertwell, Bucks., late sheriff, late eschr. J.P. Bucks." (m.32).

There is a reference under 12 Nov. 1459, to Edmund, son of Thomas Singleton of Mendlesham, Suffolk, gent., and Thomas probably died in 1459 when he ceases to be J.P.

SISLINGHAM (SYSLYNGHAM), RICHARD (1420-80); of Maldon. M.P. Maldon 1447.¹

He bought his "liberty" at Maldon 1446; a wardman 1445, 1447, 1448, 1449, 1461, 1462, 1466, 1467, 1470, 1472, 1473, 1474; bailiff 1457-8, 1475-6, 1476-7; chamberlain 1462-5;² an elector of Maldon in 1467.

SKARGILL see SCARGILL.

SKELTON, JOHN (1398-1458); of Armathwaite in Inglewood. King's Serjeant-at-Arms, 1437-58. M.P. CUMBERLAND 1449-50, 1453-4; Poole 1455-6.³

S. and h. of Sir John Skelton of the same (living 1437),⁴ by his first wife (Curwen); *m.* Margaret.

A surety, as "of Cumberland esq.", 1431;⁵ from 1431 as King's squire he had a pension out of Coventry priory;⁶ pardoned, 27 Apr. 1437; with his father he was granted £20 a year from Coventry priory Nov. 1437; called "of Carlisle", he sued the Hospital of St. Nicholas by Carlisle for assault on him and his tenants at Harraby; and about this time his father must have died, for in May 1443 the grant of land in Inglewood was renewed to the King's esquire sole, at a rent of £15 a year.

Sheriff, Cumbd., 1440-1, 1445-6, 1450-1; elector, Cumbd., 1434, 1442, 1447, 1449 (1), 1455; on Cumbrian comms. 1444 and 1457; the pension from Coventry was renewed to him, Feb. 1445; pardoned 1446; exempted, as King's servant "of Armathwaite", from all office, Nov. 1447. The 1449-50 Parlt., in which he sat, exempted from resumption his £20 pension from Coventry, and his 10 marks a year from the issues of Cumberland.⁷ So did the Parlt. of 1455³ in respect of these annuities, described as "in repayment of 1,000 marks paid for his finance to our enemies of France", and also in recompense of £20 granted him by Henry V.⁸ This looks as though he had been taken prisoner in France. He was pardoned by the Yorkists, 20 Oct. 1455, as "of Cumberland esq., surety for Conan Aske esq., *alias* late sheriff" (m.14); apptd. a keeper of the truce with Scotland, June 1457.

D. 16 Jan. 1458, when John, aged 20, was his s. and h.; lands—Cumberland. In Dec. 1459 the lands in Inglewood, which John Skelton esq., s. and h. of John Skelton knt., both decd., held of the King, were granted elsewhere.

¹ In 1447 he and Burgess were owed 16s. for going to Parlt. and were paid 4s. (*Maldon Court Books*, 1/1).

² *Maldon Court Books*, 1/1, 1/2.

³ He is probably, but not certainly, the Poole M.P. "John Skelton, King's serjt.-at-arms," who was employed by the Treasurer, Tiptoft, in July 1453 (Issue Roll, No. 794). This is probably the "King's squire" and "King's servant of Armathwaite," and the Treasury nominee at Poole. But there was a Spigurnel of the Chancery called John Skelton in 1455/6 (*Enr. Accts.*, 361/6).

⁴ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 121.

⁵ *ibid.*, 161.

⁶ *ibid.* 195.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. 199.

⁸ *ibid.* v. 318.

SKELTON, JOHN (1425-80). Spigurnel to the Chancery. ? M.P. Poole 1455-6.

This is not the Dartmouth shipowner, nor the squire of Orsett, Essex, of 1469. It might be the Cumberland M.P. of 1449 (2) and 1453. But we present for what he is worth the spigurnel of the chancery to whom livery of clothes was made in 1455/6.¹ In 1472 John Skelton sued John Booth, scrivener of Westminster, for inciting the people to rise for Henry VI after Tewkesbury, and for forging a bill representing Skelton to have denounced various persons for disloyalty.²

SKELTON, ROBERT (1440-95); of Carlisle. M.P. Carlisle 1472-5.

Perhaps a yr. s. of John Skelton M.P. (1398-58), for a Robert Skelton was employed at the Exchequer in May 1454, when John was then King's serjeant.³

Pardoned, 1460, as late of Carlisle, *alias* under-keeper of the armoury (m.4). On 5 Feb. 1462 Sir William Legh of Isell, Cumbd. (*q.v.*) received a pardon; but soon after £100 was offered for his capture, and, by the end of the month, Robert Skelton of Carlisle had won and collected the money.⁴ Legh was actually beheaded by 1 Mar. Skelton was pardoned outlawry for not appearing, May 1468; an elector, Cumbd., 1467, 1472, 1478 when elected for Carlisle. Henry VII granted him the keeping of Appulthrethwaite in Inglewood forest for 10 years at a rent of 10s., 19 Sept. 1485.⁵

In 1509 Lord Dacre writes to the Council, begging to be discharged of a bond for £500 in which he was bound to Henry VII for keeping the peace towards Lord Greystoke, decd., and for his own and others' appearance in the Star Chamber, duly kept with the exception of Robert Skelton, slain on the border.⁶ So Skelton died.

SKEYNEK, WILLIAM (1410-60); of Launceston, gent.; lawyer. M.P. Launceston 1437, 1453-4.

William Skeynek of Launceston, gent., was a pledge for William Benaloe in Nov. 1445, and was pardoned the liability in 1449.⁷ Six marks were owed to him in Devon in 1450; an attorney, Corn., on the Plea Rolls of 1450.

SKILLING (SCYLLYNGE), JOHN (1450-1513); of Lainston, Hants, and Salisbury. Lawyer. M.P. Chippenham 1491-2.

S. and h. of Michael Skilling of Lainston M.P. (1430-1500) by Anne (Strode).

At some time he was tenant of Edward Dudley's manor of Huish, Wilts.,⁸ which may account for his election for Chippenham. On Wilts. comms. 1509, 1513; on gaol delivery at Salisbury 1506-9; pardoned 1509, as of Lainston, of London and of Salisbury, "s. and h. of Michael Skilling, gent." His son was pardoned at the same time. J.P. Wilts., 20 Feb. 1510 till death.

D. 30 June 1513, when John, aged 40, was his s. and h.; lands—Lainston and Kilham, Hants.⁹

SKILLING, MICHAEL (1430-1500); of Salisbury and of Lainston, Hants. Lawyer. M.P. Heytesbury 1478; (? Wilton 1489-90).

¹ *Enr. Accts.* 361/6.

² Issue Roll, Easter 32 Hen. VI, No. 798.

³ Palmer's Index to the Fine Rolls.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1449), 230.

⁵ *Inq. p.m.* 5 Hen. VIII, Vol. 29. No. 14.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 43/284.

⁷ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 233.

⁸ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 131, 309.

⁹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 436.

Perhaps s. of Michael Skilling of Lainston, Hants, J.P. 1439-61;¹ *m.* Anne widow of John Strode.

It was either he or his father who, as of Sparsholt, Hants, gent., with Thomas Welle of Twyford (*q.v.*), was mainpernor for Maud, abbess of Romsey, for the keeping of the manor of Steeple Ashton, Wilts., 16 Nov. 1457.² Either may have been apportioner of subsidy in Hants, 1463;³ pardoned, 20 Oct. 1471, as of Hants; attainted 1484, late of Salisbury, gent., a leader of the Duke of Buckingham's rising in Wilts.⁴—John and Richard Pole (*qq.v.*) were granted his lands and those he held in right of his wife, Anne, widow of John Strode. Pardoned, however, 11 Jan. 1485, as late of Faulstone, Wilts., of Wardour, Wilts., of Caundle-Chideock, and Bloxworth, Dorset.⁵ Attainder reversed 1485/6.⁶ On 10 June 1509, there was a pardon issued to John Skilling of Lainston, Hants, of London and of Salisbury, gent., *alias* s. and h. of Michael Skilling late of Lainston, gent.⁷

SKINNER, JOHN (1415-80);⁸ of Reigate. M.P. Reigate 1450-1.

Perhaps s. of John Skinner of Reigate, dead in 1436;⁹ *m.* Jane da. and h. of Richard Caldecote of Reigate, and had John and Richard (*qq.v.*).¹⁰

As "of Reigate" he was sworn to the Peace in Surrey, 1434; a Surrey elector, 1453, 1467, 1478;⁸ a Reigate elector 1453 (then constable), 1472 and 1478; comnr. of sewers on Thames, 1465; J.P. Surrey, Apr. to June 1466.

SKINNER, JOHN (1447-1520); of Reigate. Clerk of the Green Cloth; lawyer.

M.P. Reigate (1484?), 1491-2.

Yr. s. of John Skinner of Reigate M.P. (1415-80) by Jane (Caldecote); *m.* (1) Jane da. of John Gaynesford of Blockfield, Surrey.¹¹

Admtd. to Lincoln's Inn 1467; had a grant of £5 a year out of Christchurch, Hants, 1 May 1470—perchance his wage as clerk of the green cloth;¹² a feoffee of house property in Reigate 1480-1505;¹³ under-sheriff of Surrey and Sussex, c. 1483; pardoned, May 1484, as "of Reigate and London, late under-sheriff"; on comns. in Herts., 1470, in Surrey 1484 onwards, including *o. & t.* and Guildford gaol delivery. In 1492 he wrote the will for his bro. Richard,¹⁴ hence lawyer. He was surviving in June 1516,¹⁵ but it will be his son John Skinner the younger who was J.P. Surrey 1505 onwards and M.P. Reigate 1529.

SKINNER, RICHARD (1440-1492); of Peckham, Surrey. M.P. Reigate 1467-8, (1470-1), 1472-5, 1478, (? 1484), 1491-2.

¹ This is "that nobylle man Mayster Myhelle Skillyng" who presided over the beastly duel between the "approver" Whitehorn and his "sympylle" but successful victim at Winchester in 1455. He was "a notabyllle man and the moste petefullyste juge of al thys londe in syttyng apon lyffe and dethe." (*Gregory's Chron.* pp. 199, 200—Camden Soc.).

² Fine Roll, 36 Hen. VI (m.6).

³ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV (m.19).

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 246.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1485), 504.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 273.

⁷ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 438, 2 (m.33).

⁸ The electors of 1467, 1472, 1478 may be the son John, clerk of the Green Cloth, who was M.P. in 1491, and John Skinner (1) may possibly have died in 1466 when he vanishes from the bench.

⁹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 39.

¹⁰ *Visitn. Surrey*, 59.

¹¹ *Visitn. Surrey*, 59.

¹² Called so in the *Visitn. op. cit.*; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1470), 208.

¹³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. *passim*.

¹⁴ *ibid.* iii. p. 16.

¹⁵ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, II. i. p. 600.

S. and h. of John Skinner of Reigate (1415-80) M.P., by Jane (Caldecote), and elder bro. of John Skinner (1447-1520) M.P., clerk of the Green Cloth ; *m.* Anneys, da. and coh. of John Drinkwater of Peckham.¹

He was a feoffee to receive seisin in Camberwell in 1465 ;² a Surrey elector, 1467, 1472, 1478, always when elected for Reigate ; a Thames sewers comnr., 1474 ; escheator, Surrey and Sussex, 1479-82. On 16 May 1484 he was pardoned, " of Peckham, gent., *alias* late escheator, *alias* late of London " (m.23) ; and again, 6 Feb. 1486, " of Peckham, *alias* late escheator, *alias* s. and h. and exor. of John Skinner late of Reigate " (m.8). In Dec. 1485 the recorder of London, the attorney general, Empson, and Richard Skinner of Peckham, gent., appointed attornies to take seisin of land in Camberwell,² which shows the circles in which he moved.

D. 1492 ; will of Richard Skinner of Peckham, written by his brother John Skinner, pr. 31 Dec. 1492, disposed of his half share of Cold Abbey in Peckham and Camberwell and of lands in Nutfield.³

SKIPWITH, WILLIAM (1408-87) ; of Norwich, gent., and of Utterby, Lincs. M.P. Norwich 1463-5.

This name is given in L'Estrange's Lists—given without suffix or prefix and the second of the two names. Therefore he cannot be Sir William Skipwith of Calthorpe, Lincs., knighted 1447/51, died 1483.

A William Skipwith of Habrough, Lincs., proved his age in 1429, and his *Inq. post mortem* was held 1487.⁴ Eschr. 1449-50. In 1452 William Skipwith of Utterby, Lincs., late eschr. of Lincs., was pardoned (m.18) ; and again, 6 Nov. 1455, as " of Norwich, gent., late of Utterby, Lincs." (m.20). He was with John Paston on a Norwich comn. in 1460, and a Norwich elector 1478. In 1470 he sued Thomas Gousell esq. for an assault on his servants in London in 1467.⁵

SKULLE (SCULL), Sir WALTER (1410-82) ; of Holt, Worcs., late of Hereford. Officer in Wales 1437-60 ; Keeper of the King's Wardrobe and Treasurer of the Household 1460-1. Lawyer. M.P. WORCESTERSHIRE 1437, 1442, 1447, 1453-4, (? 1470-1).

Perhaps 2nd s. of David Skulle ;⁶ *m.* before 1437, Frances, da. and coh. of Sir John Beauchamp of Holt, and at Holt castle he lived.

J.P. Worcs., 5 Aug. 1437 till death ; sheriff, Heref., 1438-9 ; of Oxon. and Berks. 1439-40 ; on all Worcs. comns. from 1439 onwards, including the Lancastrian array in Dec. 1459, and four comns. of *o. & t.* ; apptd. King's attorney in the Welsh courts, 23 May 1439 ; constable of Cardigan and South Wales, surrendering the post of King's attorney, Sept. 1442 ; steward of Brenles castle, July 1444 ; chief remembrancer of the exchequer in Ireland, Mar. 1445 ; joined as constable of Cardigan by Rhys ap Thomas esq., Mar. 1446 ; kntd. between 3 Mar. 1447 and 9 Nov. 1448 ; again sheriff, Heref., 1448-9 and 1455-6. Rhys ap Thomas being dead, he was joined as constable of Cardigan by his son Hugh, with £40 a year salary, Mar. 1449. He seems to have retained Cardigan and Brenles castles till Nov. 1461. Pardoned, Nov. 1455 and Apr. 1458, as of Holt, Worcs. ; and he appears as an elector in Worcs. in 1450 and 1478. After

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 54/104, 32/101.

³ *ibid.* iii. p. 16 ; P.C.C., 20 Dogett.

⁵ *Year Book*, 49 *Hen. VI* (Selden Soc.), 115.

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 433.

⁴ *Lincs. Pedigrees*, 890.

⁶ *Misc. Gen. & Her.*, ii. pp. 231, 232.

Northampton the Yorkists made him keeper of the King's wardrobe and Treasurer of the Household, 1460-1, in place of Sir Thomas Tuddenham (*q.v.*).¹ About 1461 John Curteys, fishmonger of London, sued Walter Skulle knt., Treasurer of the Household of Henry VI, for giving acquittance to collectors of customs, of a tally given to the petitioner in payment for fish.²

Naturally he remained in service with the new dynasty. He required no pardon in 1462; was granted lands in Wyche Doverdale, etc., Feb. 1462; ten days later, called King's knight, his £40 a year pension was renewed and he held it till 9 Dec. 1468. By 1463 he and Wrottesley were both on the earl of Warwick's council,³ though Skulle must have left that dangerous elevation before Apr. 1470. Together with his wife, Frances, he was granted land in Hereford in Aug. 1464, and exempted 1464, 1467; pardoned Feb. 1465 as "late sheriff of Hereford, late Treasurer of the Household to Henry VI, and late sheriff of Oxford."⁴ In Dec. 1468 his annuity was increased by £20.

After the Readeption of Henry VI, he was pardoned Nov. 1471 as "of Holt, late of Hereford, late sheriff, late of London, knt."⁵ He appears last as exempted from the Act of Resumption of 1473, though he remained J.P. for Worcs. till after Dec. 1481. His da. Joyce *m.* Edward Croft of Croft from whom descends Sir Henry Page Croft M.P.

SKYDMOR see SCUDAMORE.

SKYRES see SQUIRES.

SLEGGE, STEPHEN (1420-60); of Woldham, Kent.⁶ Lawyer; servant of the Archbp. of Canterbury. M.P. Hythe 1445-6; Dover 1449 (1).

S. of John Slegge and Margaret his wife.

Admtd. to Lincoln's Inn, being introduced by Bartholomew Bolney (*q.v.*), in 1441.⁷ In 1442 Stephen Slegge of "Werhome" and Michael Sandre of Kennington, Kent, released to John Spear of Mardon certain land called Goxhalys in Mardon.⁸ Eschr., Kent and Mdsx., 1442-3; servant to the archbp. of Canterbury 1444/5;⁹ sheriff, Kent, 1448-9; elector 1447; comnr. of sewers in Kent 1446-50. Lord Saye and Sele was constable of Dover when Slegge was elected in 1449. Both were denounced by Cade, and Slegge was sheriff of Kent at the very time he got himself returned for Dover¹⁰—perhaps an irregularity which might support Cade's charges against him as sheriff. In 1451 he was denounced in Parlt., but pardoned, 22 June 1452.⁶ He filled no more offices, was pardoned again 1458,¹¹ and he and his wife, Auneys, were in receipt of a pension.⁸

¹ Issue Roll, Mich. 39 Hen. VI, No. 820.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/151.

³ *Staffs. Colls.* VI. ii. 220.

⁴ Pardon Roll (1465).

⁵ Therefore he may have sat in the 1470-1 Parliament.

⁶ Pardon Roll, 1452, "of Woldham, Kent" (m.27).

⁷ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn.* 20.

⁸ *Ex inf.* E. P. Archer, esq.

⁹ Fine Roll, 23 Hen. VI (m.18).

¹⁰ He and John Toke were paid for Parliament at London and Winchester £23 os. 8d.

¹¹ As "of Woldham, Kent, esq., *alias* late of Werham, Kent, gent., *alias* late sheriff of Kent" (m.22); he held also in chief the manor and advowson of Kenaston, Kent.

D. 1460 ;¹ will, dat. 30 June 1460, pr. 21 Oct. 1461.²

SLIFIELD (SLYFELD), THOMAS (1410-70); of Gt. Bookham, Surrey; lawyer. M.P. SURREY 1450-1.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Slyfeld;³ cf. also Nicholas Slyfeld, M.P. Surrey 1383.

Sworn to the peace in Surrey, 1434; a feoffee of Mickleham, Surrey, 1441; J.P. Surrey, of the quorum, 24 Mar. 1444 to 1452; and 16 July 1461 till death; elector, Surrey, 1431, 1433, 1435, 1447, 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1453, 1459; comnr. of sewers on Thames, 1465. As of "Great Bokeham", Surrey, he was pardoned outlawry, 1465; with John Wood (*q.v.*) he was comsnd. in July 1465 to arrest John Lute (Lloyd) and bring him before chancery; pardoned 1467 as "of Gt. Bokeham, gent." for having broken in on the house of Nicholas Carew (*q.v.*) at Beddington, Surrey, 1460.

Presumably he died in 1470 when he disappears from the comns. of the peace, and he was presumably father of William Slifield M.P. (1445-83/5).

SLIFIELD (SLYFELD), WILLIAM (1445-83/5); King's Secretary 1472-80; treasurer of Calais 1481-3. M.P. Ludgershall 1478.

Probably s. of Thomas Slifield of Gt. Bookham, Surrey, M.P. (1410-70).

Admtd. Lincoln's Inn 1466.⁴ He was one of the King's secretaries who went with Sapcote (*q.v.*) on embassy to the duke of Brittany, 23 July 1472,⁵ and the treaty was signed by them at Chateau Giron, 11 Sept. 1472.⁶ Again sent to Brittany to obtain a foothold for English troops, Aug. 1474,⁷ and to Flanders in 1479.⁸ He was treating, as one of the secretaries, for the marriage of Princess Anne with Philip s. and h. of Maximilian in 1480,⁹ and arranged for Princess Margaret's visit to England.¹⁰ He went back with Margaret to Burgundy after her visit.¹¹ Treasurer of Calais 1481-3, accounting for the same,¹² and staying there on the King's service. He was re-granted this treasurership, 5 June 1483, but probably died before the next change of dynasty.

SMALLWOOD, RICHARD (1430-90); of Hythe, victualler. M.P. Hythe 1459, 1467-8, 1470-1, 1483 (Jan.), 1483 (June).

He was called "victualler";¹³ claimed wages at 2s. 4d. a day for 41 days at the Coventry Parlt. (1459) which included 5 days going and 5 returning.¹³ Likewise he claimed for 30 days at the Westminster Parlt. of June 1467—though he only received 21s.¹³ The dates of his elections to the Parliaments of 1459, 1470, 1483

¹ Fine Roll, 39 Hen. VI—mandate to the eschr. of Kent to hold inquest on Stephen Slegg (m.12).

² To be bur. in the chapel of St. Blase of Woldham. Bequests to the exors. of my lady Brencheley. His w. to have the little chamber at the nether end of the hall at Woldham with the draught for the term of her life, and an annuity of £100. Bequests to John Symond and John Clive. Masses for his parents, John Slegge and Margaret; for my lord of Stafford (slain at St. Albans 1455); for my lord Saye, otherwise called James Fynes; for my lady Jane Branchills; for William, Richard and Anne Branchill; for William Baleford and Margaret his w. Exors.:-"Sir" William Gace, Thomas Cotyng, Simond Newton of Lincs. Overseer—Edmund Shertesey (Chertesey) esq. (*q.v.*) (P.C.C., 21 Stockton).

³ In Nov. 1419 Thomas Slyfeld and Elizabeth late wife of George Brewer esq., were pardoned for marrying without licence.

⁴ *Adm. Reg.*, 16.

⁵ *Foedera*, V. iii. 23.

⁶ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 34.

⁷ *ibid.* ii. 99. ⁸ *ibid.* ii. 267. ⁹ *Foedera*, V. iii. 113. ¹⁰ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 284.

¹¹ *ibid.* ii. 296. ¹² *Err. Accts.* F. 22 Ed. IV, C. ¹³ Hythe Acct. Books.

(Jan.), and 1483 (June), are fortunately given in the Hythe Accounts. To the last Parlt. they "did not ride forth as no Parliament was held".¹ He was bailiff of Hythe 1459-60, 1467-8, 1475-6.²

SMART, HENRY (1425-89); of Winchester, glazier. M.P. Winchester 1455-6,³ 1472-5.

Of special grace, and while only a member of the commons and not yet admitted to the XXIV, he was exempted by vote of borough-mote, from holding either of the two posts of bailiff, 1455—perhaps because he served as burgess in Parlt. The Winchester Chamberlain's rolls, 1455-6, give his wages 6os. while at Parlt. in London. His work in Parlt. was to secure to the city the grant of the ulnage on the cloth woven in the city. The accounts mention documents sent him concerning ulnage, and he is concerned, even in 1477/8, with the administration thereof. He was on a Hants comn. in 1455; pardoned, 20 June 1458, as "of Winchester, gent." (m.15). In 1467 he was on a comn. which negotiated with bp. Waynflete, when the bishop had obstructed the channel supplying the city mill at Coytebury; and, in the same year, he was one of the four arbitrators to deal with charges against John Kent a leading citizen.

Mayor of Winchester 1471-2; auditor 1476-8; elector 1478. In 1477/8 the farmers of the ulnage in Winchester account for writs "*allocate et liberate*" obtained through Smart; and, in 1478, he is one of those contributing 1 mark each to a loan in the city. His arms are shown on a shield in a window of the Westgate of Winchester:—Silver, two glazier's irons in saltire, sable; a crescent for difference; with a golden border inscribed "*Scutum Henrici Smart.*" He was buried with his wife in the nave of the Hyde church.⁴

His will, dat. 10 Jan., pr. 22 May 1489.⁵ To be bur. in the monastery of St. Peter's, Hyde, next to his wife's grave. Bequests to St. Clements, Winchester, for tithes forgotten. Bequests to Henry Uvedale his godson; houses in Winchester, etc., to his servant and cousin William Usher. Exors.:—William Usher, John Stratford, Dom. John Williams.

SMITH (SMYTH), JOHN (1405-68); of Stratford St. Mary, Suffolk. Surveyor of the search at Ipswich 1431. M.P. Ipswich 1433, 1437, 1447, 1449-50, 1450-1, 1453-4.

In Feb. 1431 John Smith was apptd., during pleasure, surveyor of the search at Ipswich. A baker of Ipswich granted land in Thurlston to John Smith of Thurlston, 1437.⁶ It may be this John Smith who was made controller of customs at Yarmouth, 1455, and pardoned 1462, as "of Cavendish, Suffolk, esq., *alias* late collector in Great Yarmouth," and as "John Smith, s. of John Smith of Cavendish, Suffolk, *senior*, yeoman", in 1460. Or, again, he may be the John Smith of Ipswich, gent., pardoned in 1456, being secretary to John, earl of Oxford.

On the whole I think the surveyor of the search stands alone. It was certainly

¹ Hythe Acct. Books, G.93, fol. 28od.

² *Ex inf.* A. H. W. Fynmore.

³ Thomas Sylvester and Smart were paid £3 by the city chamberlain 1456.

⁴ From the Chamberlain's rolls, etc. *ex inf.* J. S. Furley.

⁵ P.C.C., 32 Mylles.

⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 89.

the M.P.'s will that was dated 3 Mar., pr. 2 Oct. 1468.¹ Buried in Stratford St. Mary Church (M.I.).

SMITH, JOHN (1445-1505); of Coventry, goldsmith and lawyer. M.P. Coventry 1491-2.

On 10 July 1465 John Smyth of Coventry, gent., and Thomas Freebody of Baddesley, Warw., were mainpernors for William Harwell, esq., and John Salwey, chaplain and Roger Wotton (*q.v.*) for keeping of two crofts in Knowle, Warw.² A John Smith, probably this man, was an attorney in Warw., Coventry and N'hants.—as appears on the plea rolls, 1480, 1490. In 1475/85 John Smith of Coventry, goldsmith, s. and h. of Thomas Smith, late of Stafford, sued a priest for the detention of some of his title deeds.³ He was a feoffee, with Lord Lisle and John Hugford (*q.v.*) for land in Nuneaton, 1481;⁴ a feoffee with Sir Thomas Cokesey (*q.v.*) and others of lands in Radway, Warw., 1496, which they granted to the abbey of Stoneley, 1497.⁵

SMITH, JOHN (1455-1524); of Chalmington, Dorset. M.P. Melcombe 1478.

S. and h. of Thomas Smith of Chalmington in 1460—for in 1492 John was sued for "Chelmongton" and claimed his right as son of Thomas s. of Henry Smith of Cattistock who had *m.* Agnes widow of Thomas Hunt.⁶ D. 30 May 1524, when Nicholas, aged 34, was his s. and h.; lands at Wimborne, Dorset.⁷

This John Smith is not John Smith M.P. for Bridgwater 1504, nor the servant of the Household of 1464, nor the yeoman of the ordnance of 1512, nor the Remembrancer of the Treasury 1513-8.

SMITH, JOHN; of Bodmin. M.P. Bodmin 1504.

The Bodmin boro' accounts were said to record 13s. 4d. paid to Richard Watts and John Smith for their expenses to Parliament, 19/20 Hen. VII.⁸ Even if only paid 13s. 4d. these M.P.s were probably burgesses and no carpet-baggers.

SMITH, JOHN; of Bridgwater. M.P. Bridgwater 1504.

He was mayor of Bridgwater 1503-4. The Bridgwater bailiff accounts note—*Item*, I paid to the "costmer" for making indenturs at Wells for burgesses of the Parliament 2s.; and *Item*, paid to Master Mayre for costs that he did at the Parliament 20s.⁹—whence we gather that he was one of the M.P.s in 1504 as well as mayor.

SMITH, RICHARD (1455-1516); of Reading. Yeoman of the Robes 1486-1516; steward of Caversham 1493-1516; keeper of Swallowfield 1502-16; collr. of Calais 1505-16. M.P. Reading 1497, 1504, 1512-4.

M. Agnes, widow of Justice, who survived him—no legitimate issue.

¹ To be bur. at Stratford, to which church he leaves 5 marks for a Mass Book and also his best pyx of silver to help make a chalice, and also 30 marks "to the making of the Church walls by the highway saide." The window of the end of the "ile" be made after the image of "I and Cristyn and Cecile my wives." Bequest to s. William, and to da. Cecily. Masses at Ipswich and at Colchester. Exors. :—William his s., and John Churchshawe (P.C.C., 25 Godyn).

² Fine Roll, 5 Edw. IV.

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 298.

⁶ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiv. 108; xxv. 38.

⁸ Lysons, *Magna Brit.*, 32.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 53/319.

⁵ *ibid.* iii. p. 499; ii. p. 298.

⁷ *Inq. p.m.* 16 Hen. VIII.

⁹ *Ex inf.* T. Bruce-Dilks.

He first appears in the *Reading Diaries* in 1481, as cofferer in 1482.¹ Yeoman of the Robes when granted, jointly with the Queen Consort, the herbage and pannage of Wedgnock park, 20 June 1486. He held this office of the Robes for 30 years, being paid at first 20 marks a year and later 6*d.* a day extra, while through his hands passed, "plytes of laund", violet gowns, yards of cloth and of black velvet and the footmen's uniforms. There also passed into his hands Wedgnock, the bailivy of the lordship of Caversham, Oxon., Jan. 1493, and the bailivy of Swallowfield, Berks., by 1502.

He was a founder of "the Brethren of the Mass of Jesus" at Reading, 1493;² burgess of Reading 1497; master of the tailors company 1503; mayor of Reading 1504-5, when he founded a chantry at Reading; pardoned 1505, as merchant of the staple of Calais. He was at the funeral of Henry VII, at the coronation of Henry VIII,³ who renewed all his grants and offices,⁴ making him also steward of Caversham in place of Edmund Dudley, 19 May 1509,⁵ and collr. of customs and subsidies in Calais, 18 June 1509.⁶ Richard Justice, perhaps his step-son was joined with him as bailiff of Caversham, 1510;⁷ and he was joined with John Sharp, both in a corrody from the abbey of Abingdon and in the Calais office, 1513.⁸

D. 1515/6; will of Richard Smyth, yeoman of the robes, dat. 18 July 1515, pr. 15 Aug. 1516.⁹ A remarkable instance of what a burgess might be, of what a yeoman of the robes might be, of a versatile pluralist, and of a Member of Parliament in the 15th century.

SMITH, THOMAS (1425-85); of Colchester. M.P. Colchester 1478.

He sued Christian van Bondelin for £60 at Colchester Pie Powder Court before William Saxe (*q.v.*) and John Sayer, bailiffs, 1458.¹⁰ One of the two bailiffs of Colchester 1460, 1471, or 1479;¹¹ elector in Colchester, 1467, 1472. In 1470/80 an action was brought before Richard Markes (*q.v.*) and Thomas Smith, bailiffs of Colchester.¹²

SMITH, THOMAS (1430-80); of Wells; auditor of the Bp. of Bath and Wells. M.P. Wells 1467-8.

A juror, Wells, 6 Jan. 1461;¹³ adm., as principal apparitor and auditor of the

¹ Guilding, *Reading Diaries*, 79, 80. ² *Ex inf.* E. N. Dormer. ³ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 42.

⁴ *Valectus garderobe robarum illustrissimi principis H.8* (*Reading Diaries*, 119). Not the King's servt., keeper of the garden in the Tower, who *d.* 1511.

⁵ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 54 (75).

⁶ *ibid.* i. 94 (94).

⁷ *ibid.* i. 519 (56).

⁸ *ibid.* i. 1804 (43 & 44).

⁹ To be bur. in St. Lawrence, Reading. To Richard Justice the tenement that he bought of Thomas Harte; to Mr. Anthony, clerk of the "kechynne," my chamber-hole that I lye in wth all hablement belonging to the same and 40s. To John Heron, treasurer of the King's Chamber, "my blake gowne furred with poules of subulls" and 40s. 6s. 8*d.* each for the marriage of 40 poor maidens of Reading. To John Arnold, keeper of Swallowfield, "all my chamber and all my stuff there," and 30s. and a gown of black cloth. To Henry Salter, my keeper at Caversham, a gown of black cloth, price 10s. and 30s. in money; 6s. 8*d.* to each of his god-children; to Richard "my bastard sonne a gown of cloth furred with bogy (? badger) or fox," £10, a goblett of silver and two little small salters of silver and gilt. Exors. :-wife Agnes Smith and Mr. Justice, vicar of St. Lawrence, her son. Overseer :-Thomas Englefield esq. (*q.v.*), John Heron, Hugh Acton of London, Walter Barton of Reading (P.C.C., 22 Holder).

¹⁰ *Select cases on the Law Merchant* (Selden Soc.), 122.

¹¹ Rickword, *List of Mayors etc.*, 13.

¹² *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/79.

¹³ *Anc. Indict. K.B.* (penes A. T. Butler, esq.).

accounts of the bp. of Bath and Wells, to freedom of Wells, 1467;¹ a pledge, with John Atwater (*q.v.*), for other freemen admitted in 1467, 1469, and 1471.

SMITH, THOMAS (1440-83); of Dover, yeoman. M.P. Dover 1470-1.

Smith was a chamberlain of Dover from Sept. 1467 to 1468 and during the readeption of Henry VI he served as bailiff.² On 2 July 1471, general pardon to Thomas Smith of Dover, yeoman, of all offences before 15 April 1471.³ This is important, both as showing that the 1470-1 M.P.s applied for pardons, and also perhaps as to the date when service in that Parliament was held to end. He was probably son of Stephen Smith of Tenterden, Kent, whose will, pr. 1482, mentions wife Alice and son Thomas.⁴ The will of Thomas Smith of Dover was pr. at Canterbury 1483.⁵

SMYTH see SMITH.

SNAPE, JOHN (1425-89); of Beeson, Devon, shipowner; lawyer. M.P. Plymouth 1472-5.

Nicholas Snape was M.P. for Plymouth at the same time. John Snape of Badston, yeoman, was pardoned 1 Feb. 1460;⁶ he was granted *le Davy* of Saltcombe with all gear, forfeited by Thomas Blower of Exeter, of which ship he and Blower had been joint owners;⁷ on a Devon comm., 1469; a Devon attorney on the Plea Rolls, 1450 to 1480; a Devon elector when elected for Plymouth, 1472; a feoffee in Brixham, Devon, for Henry Pomeroy, 1476.

D. just before 2 Nov. 1489, when the writ *diem clausit* was sent to the Devon escheator.⁸

SNAPE, NICHOLAS (1450-1520); of Plymouth; lawyer. M.P. Plymouth 1472-5.

S. of John Snape, perhaps of his colleague in 1472.⁹

He was an attorney—Devon—on the Plea Rolls of 1490; was paid 20s. for a writ *de ingressu*, 12 Sept. 1491;¹⁰ a witness to a Totnes deed, 1494;¹¹ a feoffee of land in Tavistock for Robert Hillersdon (*q.v.*), 1499;¹² appears on the Totnes Court Rolls, 1505-12; *d.* 1520.¹³

SNAWSELL, WILLIAM (1415-93/4); ald. of York; coiner, jeweller and goldsmith. M.P. York city 1470-1.

Yr. s. of William Snawsell, goldsmith, and Margaret; made free by patrimony, 1436;¹⁴ pardoned, 12 May 1458, with the *aliases* Snawsell, Snawshill, and Snowsell, goldsmith and coiner (m.10); and again, 4 Feb. 1462, with the other Lancastrian officials. In 1455, with his w. Jane, da. of John Thweng of Heworth, he entered Corpus Christi guild; entered the merchants' guild, 1463.¹⁵ Chamberlain 1459;¹⁶ sheriff 1464-5; sometime master of York mint. Mayor and alderman, 1468;

¹ *Som. Rec. Soc.*, xlv. 151. One of his pledges was John Atwater (*q.v.*); he was probably adm. in order to be elected M.P.

² Egerton MS. 2090.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 271.

⁴ *Arch. Cant.* xxx. 128.

⁵ *Cant. Prob. Reg. C.2.* 563.

⁶ Pardon Roll, 1460 (m.6).

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1468), 114.

⁸ Fine Roll, 5 Hen. VII (m.1).

⁹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi.

¹⁰ Fine Roll, 6 Hen. VII (m.3).

¹¹ Clayton MSS., per J. J. Alexander.

¹² *Cal. Inq. Henry VII*, ii. p. 208.

¹³ *Inq. p.m.*, per J. J. Alexander.

¹⁴ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from the York Records.

pardoned 1468.¹ In 1470 he was returned to the Readeption Parlt. and again pardoned, 1471.² On 27 June 1476 he was fined 6s. 8d. for wilfully withdrawing from Council after warning. At last, on 3 Mar. 1492, the Mayor told the Council how one Petre Conke had lately come to shew him how William Snaweswell "is gretely diseased and vexed wt money and divers sekeness, for whiche he ne may ne can kepe the rome of an alderman, ne come unto ye comon counsell as he ought to do, for whiche consideracion he desireth to be dimysed of ye said rome and a newe to be elect in his rome and place". One Robert Johnson was chosen. He was still living in Sept. 1493.³

In Jan. 1495 a pardon was issued for the alienation of land acquired from Seth Snawesell and Elizabeth his wife and from William Snawesell father of Seth in Bishopsthorpe by York; so that William was probably then dead; in 1509 Seth Snawesell of Bylton by York, gent., s. and h. of William was pardoned (2 m.15).

SNELLING, RICHARD (1425-80); of Weymouth. M.P. Weymouth 1455-6.

Perhaps son of John Snellyng of Plympton, who occurs 1439 and 1455, or, it may be, of Henry Snelling who was pledge for the Weymouth M.P.s in 1449 (1). In any case Richard Snelling was a tenant of Weymouth town in 1461 and 1467;⁴ and he accounted for forfeited wool to the Exchequer in 1468.⁵

SNIGG (SNYGG), THOMAS (1460-1520); of London and Bristol, mercer. M.P. Bristol 1504.

Perhaps s. of John Snigge, sheriff of Bristol 1486.

He was pardoned, as of London, *alias* of Westminster, mercer, 9 Aug. 1498;⁶ sheriff of Bristol 1501-2; pardoned again 1509, of London, Bristol and Southwark, merchant or mercer.⁷

SOMERSET, Master JOHN (1390-1453); of Isleworth. Physician to the King 1427-42; Keeper of the Mint 1434-47; Chancellor of the Exchequer 1434-53. M.P. MIDDLESEX 1442.

Probably s. of John Somerseth of Bristol;⁸ *m.* (1) Agnes, widow of John le Burser of Colman St., London, (2) Alice.⁹

A scholar at Cambridge; fellow of Pembroke College 1408-26;¹⁰ studied medicine in London and Paris, and, as he witnessed the will of Thomas Beaufort, duke of Exeter, in 1426, he presumably entered the Duke's service. First mention of him occurs 15 May 1423 when "Mr. Kymer, Mr. John Suntbreshete, commensour in medicine," and other surgeons petitioned to found a college of Physicians and Surgeons in London; and in Sept. 1424 Kymer, "Sumbreshede" and Suthwell were sworn Masters of Mysteries in the Physicians company, being presented by

¹ Pardon Roll, 1468; as "of York, goldsmith, *alias* cuner, jeweller, gent., citizen, *alias* mayor and alderman" (m.34).

² Pardon Roll, 1471; as "of York, goldsmith, *alias* citizen, *alias* Snaweshill, jeweller, *alias* gent., *alias* late Mayor, *alias* Alderman of York." ³ See note ¹⁴ on p. 779.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1467), 540.

⁵ *Exchq. Accts.* 457/33.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1498), 141.

⁷ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 438 (3 m.11).

⁸ In 1419/20 John Somerset of Bristol and Margery his wife sued Sir Edward Stradling and William Stradling for a messuage and land at Combhay, Som. (*Early Chan. Proc.* 5/79). His sis. Alice was prioress of Witney, Hants.

⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1448), 176.

¹⁰ *Eng. Hist. Rev.* (1910), pp. 68, 69.

the physicians.¹ In Jan. 1427 Exeter chose Somerset for the post of physician to the little King,² and Somerset in his *Querimonia* says that he remained in the King's service 25 years. He received £40 a year, 27 Feb. 1428; raised in Oct. 1432 to £60 a year "for services about the King both in teaching him and preserving his health".³ He was granted also a corrody out of Cirencester abbey, 1431.⁴ Apptd. Chancellor of the Exchequer 18 Dec. 1434; also warden of the exchange in the Tower, Dec. 1434 to May 1447; surveyor of works at Sheen, the palace of Westminster, the Tower, and Eton College, 23 May 1443. Bekynnton visited him at Sheen 1444.⁵ He was given clothes for Queen Margaret's coronation in 1445 as Chancellor of the King's Exchequer and Doctor of Medicine.⁶ Probably the same year he bought land at Twickenham and built his great house at Isleworth;⁷ founded a guild at the new Brentford bridge, 1446. He accounted as Master of the Mint and Chancellor of the Exchequer 1440-6.⁸ but certainly remained after that time as Chancellor of the King's Exchequer, being paid 40 marks a year till Nov. 1452.⁹ J.P. Mdsx., 28 Nov. 1439 till death; in Feb. 1441 and again Mar. 1447, he drafted the statutes of King's College, Cambridge;¹⁰ one of the exors. of Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, 1447; settled his estates at Isleworth, 6 Mar. 1449, Geoffrey Goodlok (*q.v.*) being one of his feoffees;¹¹ exempted from the Act of Resumption, Nov. 1449;¹² but was one of the King's advisers denounced in the next Parlt. 1450.¹³ He had been granted Ruislip, Mdsx., in 1437, but for life only, reversion to King's College. In 1452 he had trouble with the college about the reversion, and wrote his elegiac *Querimonia* of 82 lines voicing his complaint after 25 years' service.

He probably died in 1453,¹⁴ for on 8 July 1453 Thomas Witham (*q.v.*) was made Chancellor of the Exchequer and Somerset's name is not on the Mdsx. comn. of the peace dated 13 July 1454, and he is spoken of as recently dead in 1455. He died intestate and the administrators of his goods, William Banceby, clerk, William Veisy of London (*q.v.*) and William Poklynton, yeoman, were pardoned 4 July 1458.¹⁵ Later, 20 Sept. 1462, Veysey and Richard and William "Plokington" made a feoffment of Somerseth's land in Isleworth and Chiswick and "the great messuage in Isleworth where Master John Somerseth lately lived" to trustees to endow a chapel in Isleworth at Brentford bridge and to pray for the souls of Richard Plokingdon and Master Somerseth."¹⁶

His friends included John Carpenter, both the elder and younger (*q.v.*) and many of the official and intellectual classes—Bishop Bekington, Thomas Elmham, Goodlok and Veysey are examples. The *Dict. Nat. Biog.* calls him "a good physician, mathematician and grammarian".¹⁷

SOND see SAND.

¹ *Letter Book K.*, pp. 11, 41, not given in *Dict. Nat. Biog.* ² See note 9 on p. 780.

³ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1432), 196.

⁴ *ibid.* (1431), 120.

⁵ Aungier, *Syon Monastery*, cited in *Eng. Hist. Rev.* as above.

⁶ *Exchq. Accts.* 361/6.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 354; vi. p. 284.

⁸ *Enr. Accts.* and *Exchq. Accts. passim.*

⁹ Issue Rolls, *passim.*

¹⁰ *Cal. Charter Rolls*, vi. 74.

¹¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 521.

¹² *Rot. Parl.* v. 198.

¹³ *ibid.* v. 216.

¹⁴ Not 1455, as suggested in *Dict. Nat. Biog.* ¹⁵ Pardon Roll (1458) (m.18).

¹⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 508. ¹⁷ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. John Somerset.

SONEMAN (SOUEMAN) *alias* SULMAN, JOHN (1420-71); of Rochester. M.P. Rochester 1447, 1455-6.

There were pardoned after Cade's rebellion John Soneman and Agnes his wife, John Soneman, Laurence Soneman and Agnes his wife, Robert Soneman, and John Soneman and Margaret his wife. *D.* 1471. Will dat. 10 Jan. 1471, pr. in P.R.C.¹ John Soneman *alias* Sulman of Rochester. Bequests to St. Nicholas' and to Higham church "where I was baptised". A gown etc. to his bro. John; jewels, household utensils etc. to wife Agnes, and she exor. Lands in Cleve to wife for life, reversion to sons John and Henry and their heirs if any, remainder to Agnes his wife. It was probably his son John who was warden of Rochester bridge in 1478-9.² If the third letter of his name was "u" not "n"—as well may be—then Sulman or Sowman would be modern version.

SOPER, WILLIAM (1390-1458/9); of Southampton, merchant; keeper of the Navy 1420-42; Serjeant-at-arms 1443-50. M.P. Southampton 1413, 1414, 1419, 1420, 1421 (Dec.), 1423, 1427, 1429-30, 1431, 1432, 1433, 1442, 1449 (1).

S. of Robert Soper, wool merchant of Winchester, by Clemency; *m.* (1) Isabel; (2) Jane, who survived him, widow of Richard Golde.³

Accused of piracy 1414; mayor of S'hampton 1416-7, 1424-5. He accounts as clerk of the King's ships, 1420-42; on every Hampshire comn. relating to musters or the pressing of ships and men, 1430-51; to take mariners and carpenters for repair of the King's ships, 1432; to buy for the Household fifty tuns of the wine recently cast ashore on the Hampshire coast, Feb. 1435; to provide carpenters, timber, iron, etc., to make certain ballingers, Nov. 1435. William Soper, clerk of the King's ships, "who has vowed a pilgrimage", had licence to export 20 sacks of wool for his expenses, Nov. 1436; had a warrant to deliver a ship to Richard Rowe, with particulars of his accounts from 1433 to 1437, wherein he is described as "Keeper of the Navy";⁴ pardoned 1437;⁵ customer of Southampton, 1437-46;⁶ with the sheriff, Sir John Seymour (*q.v.*), he accounts in 1439 for goods seized from foreigners;⁷ serjeant-at-arms, when ordered to collect ships at Southampton for the French wars, Mar. 1443; handed over the keeping of the navy⁸ to Richard Clivedon, his successor, 1442.⁹ Grant for life to the King's serjeant, William Soper, for good service to Henry IV, Henry V and Henry VI, of 20 marks yearly, which grant is to date from the preceding Mich., 29 Apr. 1447; elector, Southampton, 1449 (2) and 1453; pardoned 1 Nov. 1455.¹⁰

D. 1458/9; will dat. 8 Nov. 1458, pr. 20 Nov. 1459:¹¹—mentions wife Jane, John Hawyt, Jane w. of John Heckley jun. Masses for souls of wives Isabel and

¹ P.R.C. iii. 132. vi.

² Janet Becker, *Rochester Bridge*, p. xi.

³ Pardon, issued to Soper with Jane, his wife, for their entry without licence into lands at Southangle, 2 Feb. 1438.

⁴ *Exchq. Accts.* 53-5, 11.

⁵ Of Southampton, esq., late keeper and governor of the King's ships, *alias* verderer of the New Forest, *alias* late customer in the port of Southampton, *alias* late of Southampton, merchant (*m.* 14). ⁶ Issue Rolls, *passim*. ⁷ Mem. Roll (L.T.R.), Mich. 17 Hen. VI.

⁸ The pay of these keepers of the Navy may be gathered from the payment made by the collectors of customs in Southampton, William Marys and William Soper, of 12d. a day to Richard Clivedon, yeoman of the Crown, 24 Oct. 1443 (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 544).

⁹ *Exchq. Accts.* 53-57.

¹⁰ William Soper of Southampton, esq., *alias* of Newton Bery, Hants, *alias* late of Southampton, merchant (*m.* 22).

¹¹ Will printed in full in *Black Book of Southampton*, ii. 98-112.

Jane, for parents Robert and Clemency ; bequests to Robert Janyn, Richard Waryn bro. William Chamberlayn, etc.

SOUEMAN see SONEMAN.

SOUTHWELL, JOHN (1400-60); Norfolk's servant 1440-60. M.P. Lewes 1449-50, 1450-1, 1453-4. Lancastrian.

In 1434 a John Southwell was exor. of the will of Benet, bishop of St. Davids ; and in Nov. 1434 a man of the same name was made surveyor of the search in the port of London. These are probably the same as the servant of the Duke of Norfolk who sat for his grace's borough of Lewes.

In 1440, renewed in 1445, John Mowbray, duke of Norfolk, granted to Southwell a pension of £20 a year ; a comnr. in Sussex, Jan. 1452 ; and in 1454/5 John Southwell, esq., sued Ellen, late wife of Alexander Wode of Lewes, for a house and garden in Lewes.¹ The pardon roll of 18 Nov. 1455 describes him as " of Framlingham castle, Suffolk, esq., *alias* late of Eigh (Eye) near Beccles " (m.13). He was an elector of Suffolk in 1455 and Framlingham was Norfolk's residence.

He was dead by 12 Aug. 1461, when the Duke of Norfolk's pension (20 marks yearly this time) was granted instead to Richard Southwell esq., servant of John, duke of Norfolk. This Richard Southwell M.P. was son of Robert, so that he was perhaps nephew of John Southwell.

SOUTHWELL, RICHARD (1425-1509); Norfolk's servant ; Marshal of the Exchequer 1462-9. M.P. Yarmouth 1455-6.

S. of Robert Southwell, dead in 1440, by Isabel, da. of John Boys ;² *m.* (1) Amy da. of Edmund Wychingham, and (2) Katherine da. of John Williams and widow of Sturges.

Described as " of Framlingham ", and therefore a servant of the Duke of Norfolk,³ he had followed the Duke in the burning and looting of Letheringham in 1448. The Pastons report in 1451 that he had entered Holm-Hall manor and was holding it with force.⁴ Southwell, writing to John Paston, 18 Dec. 1451, calls him cousin and complains that he, Southwell, had been accused of owing goodwill and service to the Duke of York. Sir John Fastolf writes to the Duke of Norfolk of Southwell as " my cousin, your servant."⁵ Paston calls him " brother " in 1460, and he was bracketed with Timperley, another of Norfolk's servants.

Eschr., Norf. and Suff., 1455-6 after election, and 1459-60. On Norfolk and Suffolk comns. from Feb. 1460 onwards, excluding the Readeption but including Richard III's comns. of array and subsidy. As the Duke's servant, he succeeded John Southwell (*q.v.*) in a pension from the Duke of 20 marks a year out of Suffolk, Aug. 1461, was made marshal of the exchequer during the minority of Norfolk's heir, Feb. 1462 ;⁶ and he lived at Framlingham castle. Pardoned 6 Feb. 1462 ;⁷ exempted from resumption of his 20 marks pension in 1464 and 1467 ;⁸ granted the lands forfeited by the earl of Wilts., 15 Aug. 1467.⁹ After the Readeption, J.P. Norfolk, 20 June 1471 to 1485 ; an elector, Norfolk, 1472 ; Norfolk's feoffee,

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 24/75. ² *Visitn. Norf.* 529. ³ *Paston Letters*, i. 229. ⁴ *ibid.* i. 220-1.

⁵ *ibid.* i. 323. ⁶ Still Marshal of the Exchequer, July 1468 (Issue Rolls).

⁷ " Of Framlingham, esq., late enquirer into Sir William Oldhall's lands, *alias* late escheator in Norfolk and Suffolk " (m.46). ⁸ *Rot. Parl.* v. 541, 612.

⁹ Exempted by Parlt. from the reversion of Lord Beaumont's forfeited manor of Wickmere, after the death of Richard Quatremayne (*q.v.*) (*Rot. Parl.* vi. 90).

while the Duke was on the French expedition, 1475. He was granted Wickmere, Norf., in 1480 with reversion to the infant duke of York, and he was undoubtedly on Richard III's comms. But whether he died in the winter of 1485/6 or in 1509, either of which date could be argued from the Norfolk comms. of the Peace, can only be guessed. His eldest son Robert first occurs of age in 1487 and was knighted 1503/4, and we know of no other Richard Southwell to be J.P. Norfolk, 12 Mar. 1486 to 20 Nov. 1510—but what an age for a J.P. !

SOUTHWORTH, GEOFFREY, of Carleton, Yorks. York's servant.
M.P. Bedwin 1459. Yorkist.

Slain at Wakefield, 30 Dec. 1460. In 1461/2 John Convers (*q.v.*), serjeant-at-arms, and Dame Elizabeth his wife, late wife of Geoffrey Southworth, slain at Wakefield in the service of the Duke of York, sued William Singulton esq. of Broughton, for a deed of annuity extorted from the said Dame, and seizure of her goods, and distraint upon her tenants in the lordship of Carleton, Yorks.¹ And Bedwin in 1459 was controlled by the Duke of Buckingham !

SOWDELEY, REYNOLD. M.P. Bridgwater 1449–50.
Undiscovered. This family is from the Salop/Staffs. border.

SPARCHFORD, JOHN (1430–90); of Ludlow. M.P. Ludlow 1472–5.
Sparchford is in Diddlesbury, Salop. John Sparchford was bailiff of Ludlow 1466; he and Richard Sherman (*q.v.*) occur in a 1480 lease of Portman meadow from the palmer's guild.² Richard Sparchford of Ludlow and Bristol died 1486/8 and mentions his cousin John Sparchford in his will.³

SPARK, WILLIAM (1450–1503); of London, draper. M.P. London 1485–6.

Auditor of London, 1481–3, 1486–8, 1492–4;⁴ never alderman. He was to help the chief butler at Edward V's coronation feast and again at Henry VII's;⁵ occurs in various suits as citizen and draper of London 1484–1501; keeper of the cloth market called Blackwell Hall, 1493 to 1503;⁶ treated with the King about the city charter, 1503.⁷

D. 1503;⁸ will, dat. 28 Sept. 1503, pr. 18 Dec. 1504. To be bur. in St. Peter's, Fakenham. Bequests to his w. Denise and s. Robert. Exor., his wife.

SPARROW (SPAROWE), ANDREW (1405–55); of Stone, Bucks. M.P. Downton 1449 (1).

Sworn to the peace in Oxon., 1434; he owed money there, 1436. In 1433/43 Robert Whitingham sued Andrew Sparrow and others for the manor of Donnington, Berks.⁹ And some time before 1457, Robert Shoteshroke (*q.v.*) and Isabel his wife sued Robert Whitingham knt. for an annuity out of the manor of Stone purchased by Whitingham from Andrew Sparrow, deceased, and John Baldewyn, his feoffee in Bucks.¹⁰

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/202.

² *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

³ P.C.C., 13 Milles.

⁴ A. B. Beaven, *Aldermen of London*, i. 288.

⁵ *Jor.* 9, fos. 21d, 91.

⁶ *Jor.* 10, fo. 23; *Rep.* i, fo. 142.

⁷ *Jor.* 10, fo. 285d.

⁸ He is spoken of as lately dead in Oct. 1503 (*Rep.* i, fo. 142).

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 9/207.

¹⁰ *ibid.* 16/703.

SPECKLEY (SPECHISLEY), ROBERT (1405-60); of Bristol, gent. M.P. Devizes 1437, 1442.

Pardoned 12 Oct. 1455, as Robert Spechele, *alias* Spechisley, late of Bristol, gent., *alias* late sub-eschr. of Soms. and Dorset, *alias* extorcioner, *alias* gent., *alias* clerk to Thomas Doge (*q.v.*) late eschr. of Soms. and Dorset (m.19).

This is all, and quite enough, that can now be discovered of Robert Speckley.

SPEKE, SIR JOHN (1395-1441); of Haywood; Sea-Captain. M.P. DEVONSHIRE 1427, 1439-40.

S. and h. of John Speke, Governor of Lincoln's Inn 1427-8; *m.* Jane da. and h. of John Keynes. Their son, John (*d.* 31 Oct. 1444), and John (1442-1511), son of the last named, was M.P. for Somerset.

He sued John Holland for Brushford-Speke, Devon, in 1423 claiming as s. and h. of John s. and h. of William Speke.¹ In 1427 John Speke and Jane, his wife, sued for the next presentation to the church of Compton-Martin, Somerset.² An elector, 1433, and sworn to the peace in Devon, 1434, being then esq., but kntd. before the end of 1436. His election in 1439 seems to have been turbulent,³ and before Parlt. rose he was to proceed with the duke of Somerset to France; in May, John Speke, King's knight, was retained for half a year, to go with three hundred soldiers to withstand the King's enemies at sea—it was probably not till late in the year that he set sail. There is notice of a capture by him of a carack in August 1441. He drew wages for himself and retinue in 1440 and 1441.⁴ But he died, probably at sea, 5 Oct. 1441. John Speke, then aged 20, was his s. and h.

SPEKE, (Sir) JOHN (1442-1511); of White Lackington, Som., and of Haywood and East Dawlish, Devon. M.P. SOMERSET 1478.

S. and h. of John Speke (1421-44); and g.s. of Sir John Speke of the same M.P. (1395-1441).⁵

He had licence to go to Rome on pilgrimage with six in his company, 14 Nov. 1467; an elector, Somerset (heading list) and Devon, 1472; pardoned, 5 June 1472, as "of Haywode, late of Tiverton and of East Dowelyshe" (m.26); elector, Devon, 1478 when elected for Somerset; a feoffee in Devon, 1480, in Glos., 1482, and for Sir Hugh Lutrell in Devon, 1493; kntd. 1 Nov. 1494;⁶ feoffee for the Courtenays, 1495. J.P. Somerset and Wilts., 9 Feb. 1498 to 5 Mar. 1512; pardoned, 1500, as of White Lackington—and again 1509.

He probably died *c.* 1511, for it seems obvious that the Sir John Speke who was to provide 25 soldiers in 1512, who was on board the *James of Dartmouth* in 1513, who was paid coat and conduct money for his force to Portsmouth 1514, sheriff of Devon 1516-7, and whose will was dat. 20 Feb. 1517, pr. in P.C.C. 31 May 1518 (9 Ayloff) cannot possibly⁶ be the man born in 1442. Moreover John "s. and h. of Sir John Speke" had livery of his lands 26 Feb. 1519.⁷

SPENCE, PHILIP; of Salop? M.P. Wenlock 1491-2.

There is no such person to be found in the records. Spence is therefore

¹ *Geneal. N.S.* xvii. 21. ² *ibid.* xvii. 144.

³ In Oct. 1439, one John Lawrence complained that John Speke of Haywode, Devon, knt., with a number of evil-doers, broke into his house at Ottery St. Mary, Devon.

⁴ *Exchq. Accts.* 53/30 & 31; *Env. Accts.* F.19 H. VI, K. ⁵ Shaw, *Knights*.

⁶ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. pp. 553, 752, 1202, 1310. ⁷ *ibid.* iii. 32.

probably Spencer. Mr. Weyman says :—" very likely one of the Spencers of Whitton, Salop, but the 1623 Visitation pedigree shows no Philip."

SPENCER (SPENSER), HENRY (1425-95); of Hampstead-Marshall, Berks. Yeoman of the Crown 1450-61, 1487-90. M.P. Wallingford 1450-1, 1459. Lancastrian.

As King's Serjeant and Yeoman of the Crown he was granted the fishery and agistment of the park of Hampstead-Marshall and made steward there, 5 Aug. 1452, with 6*d.* a day out of the receipts—no doubt his wage as yeoman of the crown. He had livery of clothes as yeoman of the chamber, 1458/9; sued the archdeacon of Wilts. for the farm of the parsonage of Chalk, Wilts., 1460.¹ Called "of Westminster, yeoman," he fought at Towton and was attainted. At some time he was released or pardoned on bail, for in 1468 John Besomby, yeoman of the crown, manucaptor for Henry Spencer, late yeoman to Henry VI, was pardoned (m.11). Whatever he did under the Readeption, Henry Spenser, yeoman, was pardoned on 18 Sept. all offences before 2 Aug. 1471. Pardoned again, 20 Apr. 1472, as "late of London, yeoman, *alias* late of Hampstead-Marshall, parker, *alias* late of Newbery, Berks., woolman, *alias* late yeoman of the crown to Henry VI" (m.24).

When Henry VII arrived Spencer was remembered, and on 2 June 1487 he had a grant of a pension for life of £10 a year out of Berks.,² and was once more made yeoman of the crown. On his petition the Parlt. of 1489 reversed his old attainder "late of Westminster, yeoman."³ His marriage and issue, if any, are unknown.

SPENCER, JOHN (1410-64); ald. of Hull, merchant. M.P. Hull 1449-50; Newcastle-under-Lyme 1453-4, 1455-6; Hull 1459, 1463-5. Lancastrian.

Bailiff of Hull 1439;⁴ sheriff of Hull 1440-1; alderman of Hull by 1447; elector of Hull 1447, 1449 (1); mayor 1452; on Hull comns. 1454, and comnr. of sewers. In 1445 £30 was owed to William Spenser of Beverley the elder and to John Spenser of Hull, merchant. Pardoned, 1446, as "of Hull, merchant, *alias* gent.", and 1452 as "of Hull, merchant."

D. 1464. Will, dat. 5 Sept., pr. at York 4 Nov. 1464; John Spenser, merchant of Hull (2.486).

Presumably the Hull merchant was the Duchy nominee for Newcastle in 1453 and 1455. The chief steward of the Duchy at that time, who had the nomination of the Duchy nominee of Newcastle, was the Duke of Somerset. But Spencer is a common name; quite likely the burgess of Newcastle was not the alderman of Hull.

SPENCER, JOHN (1416-61); of Frampton, Dorset. M.P. Lyme Regis 1460-1.

S. and h. of William Spencer of Dewlish (? *d.* 1439), by Margaret; and h. of Alice (*d.* 1456) widow of Robert Frampton, John being 40 at her death, and called s. of William.⁵

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/113.

² Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 157.

³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 425. On 14 Dec. 1490, Henry Spencer, yeoman of the crown, having been restored by Parlt. to all he forfeited by attainder in 1461, a precept was issued to the clerk of the Hanaper to issue letters of exemplification free of charge (Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 555).

⁴ *Ex inf.* A. S. Harvey.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1456), 333-4.

Eschr., Soms. and Dorset, 1438-9; Dorset elector 1442, 1447, 1449 (2). Pardoned "of Frampton, gent.", 11 May 1446 and 26 June 1449. He was on a piracy comn. in Devon 1460, and as no more is heard of him he may have been slain.

SPENCER, ROBERT (1400-55); of Romford, Essex. Yeoman of the Hall 1437-55; farmer of Havering 1437-55. M.P. Bridport 1453-4. Lancastrian.

He was to provide materials for the office of the Hall or Household, 3 Mar. 1437; as yeoman of the Hall, apptd. bailiff of Havering park, Essex, 11 July 1437; master of the otter-hunt, 3 Feb. 1439 to 1445, with wages for self and groom and nine dogs out of the issues of Essex; keeper of Havering, 11 Feb. 1445 to 1447. If his bailivy of Havering was resumed in 1449/50, it was regranted him, as late yeoman of the Hall, for services to Henry V and King, 1 May 1451. He was a feoffee of lands in Havering in June 1452;¹ was returned by court influence for Bridport in 1453; pardoned 1 Nov. 1455, as "late farmer of our manor of Havering atte Bower, *alias* of Romford, Essex, yeoman" (m.16). This "yeoman" means yeoman of the Hall, for he is called "esq." in 1452. He does not occur again and must have died soon after as the Pardon Rolls know him no more.

SPENCER, WILLIAM (1420-95); of Bristol, merchant. M.P. Bristol 1467-8.

He was pardoned, 24 July 1446, as of Bristol, merchant (m.47), and again 2 Aug. 1452 (m.16) and 1468 (m.33). Bailiff of Bristol 1449; an elector 1460; sheriff 1461; mayor 1465-6; M.P. 1467-8; mayor 1473-4² and 1478-9. On Bristol or Somerset comns. of o. & t. 1463, 1466, etc., and on gaol deliveries there also from 1487 to 1492. Pardoned, 1 Dec. 1471, as of Bristol, merchant, late mayor.

In 1478 Thomas Norton esq. accused Spencer the mayor of treason, "which was done of malice." As soon as the King heard the truth he delivered the mayor out of prison where he had been 13 days.³ Perhaps in connection with this Thomas Brown of Bristol sued Richard Allerton, William Spencer, and John Joce, officers of the King in Bristol for feigned suits and hiring men to kill Brown for informing the Treasurer of England of the goods that had not paid custom.⁴

He was exor. of the wills of William Canning M.P. in 1474, and Sir Richard Chokke in 1483; founded a chantry at Long Ashton, Bristol, in 1483/4;⁵ overseer of the will of John Wansford, canon of Wells, 1492. In 1493 he gave £86 8s. 8d. to be doled out 2s. weekly to the poor of the almshouses in Lewin's mead;⁶ and he gave a tenement worth £4 a year for sermons in 1494.⁷ Sermons instead of masses were so rare in 1494 as to be indeed remarkable.

SPERT, RICHARD (1430-1501); of Hellingly, Sussex, and Stanesby, Lincs., gent.; lawyer. M.P. Shoreham 1460-1.

Perhaps s. of William Spert of Halden (? Haldenby, Yorks.), d. (?) 1454; m. Katherine.

Pardoned 25 Jan. 1455, Richard Spert of Halden, administrator of goods of William Spert, late of Halden, whose goods had been taken from Southwark; and

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 377.

³ Sayer, *Bristol*, 201.

⁵ *Ex inf.* Miss Bates-Harbin.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1473; Bristol Wills, 149, 153.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 19/252.

⁶ Barrett, *Bristol*, 613. ⁷ *ibid.*

again 29 Jan. 1456, "late of Hellingley, Sussex, gent. *alias* late of London, *alias* late sub-sheriff of John Denysh (1453-4), late sheriff of Surrey and Sussex" (m.3); and again 12 May 1462, "late of London, gent., *alias* of Stanesby, Lincs., *alias* administrator of goods of William Dalison" (m.26). Eschr., Lincs., 1461-3; with Katherine his wife he paid 6 marks for a writ in Yorks., 1465;¹ J.P. London, of the quorum, 7 Sept. 1468 to 23 Nov. 1470; 21 Aug. 1471 till death; pardoned, 4 Feb. 1471.² He was made surveyor of lands in Lincs. and adjacent counties, Mar. 1472, exempted from resumption in 1473.³ On Lincs. comns. May 1471 onwards, including all those of 1483-4, and the subsidy of 1488. Pardoned 24 Oct. 1484,⁴ and exempted from resumption 1485, so far as regards his receivership of Bennington, Lincs., was concerned.⁵ In Feb. 1486 he had a seven-year lease of the fishery of Smalney, Lincs., for 14s. a year.⁶

From his J.P.ships we may conclude that he died 12 Feb./15 May 1501 and on 18 May 1501 his writ of *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Lincs.⁷ Sir Thomas Spert, contr. of King's ships to Henry VIII, left a s. Richard Spert of Kingswood, Wilts. These are likely to be his descendants.

SPICE (SPYCE), CLEMENT (1420-83); of Felstead, esq. M.P. ESSEX 1449-50.

S. of Roger Spice by Alice, sis. and coh. of Thomas Mandeville; *m.* Alice da. of Sir John Montgomery by Elizabeth, lady of Say; she *rem.* (2) Robert Langley, and (3) Edmund Wiseman.⁸

He was a feoffee in Romford, Essex, 1449;⁹ on Essex comns. 1450 onwards, including all the Lancastrian arrays; elector, Essex, 1455, and 1467 when he heads the list; frequently a feoffee in Essex. He wrote to Agnes Paston in 1451 complaining that she had stopped up the King's way.

He was living in July 1483, the only surviving feoffee of Felstead in Essex which had been settled on John Pennycook, *temp.* Henry VI, but had been forfeited on Pennycook's attainder in 1461; in 1483 all were dead (including Roger Spice) save Clement Spice who claimed restitution of the land which had been seized by the crown, claiming that Pennycook had no title in the land. He was dead by 13 Feb. 1484, when Humfrey s. and h. of Clement Spice continued to petition for the restoration of Felstead.

SPICER see NEWPORT and CHICHELEY.

SPICER (SPISER), HENRY; of Derby. M.P. Derby boro' 1442.

Perhaps s. of that John Spicer who was M.P. for Derby in 1421.¹⁰

SPICER (SPYCER), JOHN (1400-60); of Derby, spicer. M.P. Derby boro' 1449 (1).

¹ Fine Roll, 5 Edw. IV (m.22).

² As "late of Stanesby, Lincs., gent., *alias* late under-sheriff of Surrey and Sussex, *alias* late under-sheriff of Lincs., *alias* escheator of Lincs., *alias* adminr. of goods of William Dalison, *alias* J.P. London, *alias* late of London, gent." ³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 92.

⁴ As "escheator of Lincs., supervisor of subsidy and ulnage of cloth, *temp.* Edward IV in Lincs., N'hants., etc., *alias* receiver of Long Benington, Lincs., *alias* feodary of Duchy of Lancs. in Lincs., *alias* receiver of grants voted in the Parliament 1483" (m.14).

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 348. ⁶ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 599. ⁷ Fine Roll, 16 Hen. VII (m.4).

⁸ *Ex inf.* Sir W. Gurney-Benham; *Trans. Essex Arch. Soc.* xv. 54.

⁹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 547. ¹⁰ *cf.* also John Spicer M.P. Derby 1449 (1).

Perhaps s. of John Spicer, M.P. for Derby 1421 (2)—or the man himself. There was also a Henry Spicer, M.P. for Derby in 1442.

In November 1433 a comn. was issued to deliver Nottingham gaol of John Spicer of Derby, spicer. He was sworn to the peace in Derbyshire in 1434, and appears in 1440 as a victualler of Calais. Elector, Derby boro' 1426, 1427, 1449 (1) (when elected), 1449 (2), 1450, 1455; and for the county also in 1449 (2) and 1455.

SPICER (SPYCER), ROBERT; probably King's servant, of Dogmersfield, Hants.¹ M.P. Old Sarum 1447; Ludgershall 1449 (1).

On the mainprise of John Andrew of London (*q.v.*) and of Robert Spycer of Dogmersfield, Hants, John Dylrune was granted the keeping of a parcel of land once belonging to the King of Scots in Middlesex, *i.e.* by the King's highway that is from Charing Cross to Westminster on the west side, 29 July 1441,²—*i.e.* the Horse Guards rather than Scotland Yard.

In 1442 the ferries of Porthetho and Southcroke over the Menai Strait were granted in survivorship to Thomas Aldenham and Robert Spicer, to hold by self or deputy, as from 15 Oct. 1437.

SPILMAN, HENRY (1430–96); of Narborough, Norfolk. Recorder of Norwich 1481–96; lawyer. M.P. Norwich 1467–8, (? 1470–1); Hindon 1472–5.

S. of John Spilman; *m.* Ellen da. of William Narborough and widow of Thomas Shouldham.³

A mainpernor for Robert Letham and William Fastolf, May 1449;⁴ a feoffee in Norfolk 1453, 1472; J.P. Lynn 3 Nov. 1456 to 24 Jan. 1458; J.P. Norfolk 23 Nov. 1463 till death. In 1463 an apportioner of the subsidy in Norfolk;⁵ on Norfolk comns. chiefly *o.* & *t.*, and gaol delivery, from 1469 to 1491 including those of the Readeption government, and those of 1483–4. Recorder of Norwich 1481–96.⁶ Lord Scrope of Bolton, in his will of 1494 refers to Spilman as “my brother”, probably, “in law.”⁷

D. 1496/7. Will, dat. 18 Sept. 1496, pr. 3 Feb. 1497. To be bur. at Narborough. Masses for souls of Thomas Bekerton and Margaret his w., and for John Spilman father of Henry and Mr. Robert Spilman his uncle. Exors.:—Edmund Paston esq., Dom. Ralph Palutot, chaplain, and Thomas Wace.⁸ He had issue, Sir John Spilman the Judge.

SPISER see SPICER.

SPORYOUR see BIRMINGHAM.

SPRAGAT, RICHARD (1415–80); ald. of Oxford. M.P. Oxford boro' 1460–1 (and probably later).

Bailiff of Oxford, 1440; elector, 1442, 1449 (1); J.P. Oxford 1449 till death; alderman 1446 to 1475;⁹ mayor of Oxford seven times between 1447 and 1473; and as mayor, in 1463 apportioner of the subsidy in Oxford.¹⁰ A feoffee in Oxford

¹ Dogmersfield seems to have been a royal residence as both Letters Patent and Fine Rolls are dated therefrom. ² Fine Roll, 19 Hen. VI (m.7). ³ *Vistn. Norfolk*, 264.

⁴ Fine Roll, 27 Hen. VI.

⁵ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

⁶ *Norfolk Official Lists*.

⁷ *Test. Vetust.* 434.

⁸ P.C.C., 3 Horne.

⁹ *Munim. Civ. Ox.* p. 225; *ex inf.* Dr. Salter.

¹⁰ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV. M.P.s not to be apportioners.

1454; owned a house in St. Peter-in-the-bailly 1461; one of the burgesses of Oxford who served in the buttry dept. at the coronation 1461.¹ He probably d. 1475/8 when he ceased to be alderman.²

SQUIRE, JOHN (1405-72/4); of Nottingham, mercer. M.P. Nottingham boro' 1453-4.

Cousin (*i.e.* grandson) and h. of Robert Squire, M.P. Nottingham 1382. For in the latter's will, 1411, he leaves his chief messuage in Castlegate to his wife Agnes, with remainder to his cousin Robert, "and I will that abovesaid Robert and his brother John shall be in charge of John Heath and Simon—to govern according to their discretion for 10 years next".³

In Jan. 1432, as John Squire of Nottingham, mercer or gent., he had letters of protection to go to Aquitaine in company with Sir John Radcliffe, seneschal of Aquitaine; but he tarried in Nottingham and the letters were revoked in May. He was pardoned outlawry, 13 Nov. 1449, for not appearing in a plea of debt at Southwark. Sheriff, Nottingham, 1448-9; an elector 1449 (1), 1450 1472; mayor 1455-6, 1464-5, 1468-9; J.P. 5 Oct. 1467. In 1468 he was sumnd. to give up a chest containing titles to the manor of Aldesworth. The chest had been delivered to him for safe-keeping at Lambecote in 1462.⁴ In 1472 he appears in the Nottingham subsidy roll as assessed to pay 10s. 2½d.

D. 1472/4. Will, dat. June 1468, pr. at York, 5 May 1474; the feoffees being Gervase Clifton esq., William Squire his s. and h., Richard Ody and Walter Hilton. His heir in 1483/5 was a da. Julian *m.* to Robert Lyn.⁵

SQUIRES (SKYRES), REYNOLD; of Oxford, gent. M.P. Oxford boro' 1459.

There is no mention of him in *Munimenta Civitatis Oxonie* but the pardon roll, 20 Oct. 1459, includes Reynold Skyres *alias* Skyris *alias* Skyresse, late of Oxford, gent. (m.19). So that his first action on being returned was to acquire a comfortable pardon. He occurs in *Reg. Canc. Oxon.* till 1462.⁶

STABLE, ROBERT (1410-70); of Nottingham; fishmonger. M.P. Nottingham boro' 1459.

A plot of land in the Saturday market was leased to him for 90 years by John Mapurley (*q.v.*), 22 May 1444.⁷ Bailiff of Nottingham, 1444;⁸ elector, 1447, 1449 (2), and 1467 (on the last occasion heading the list); keeper of the bridges (jointly with John Spencer, *q.v.*), 1457-61;⁹ J.P. and mayor, 1467.¹⁰

STACEY (STACE), JOHN (1445-79); of Hythe, fisherman. M.P. Hythe 1478.¹¹

S. of Thomas Stace M.P. Hythe (1420-72). John Stace, senior and junior, were fishermen in Hythe.¹²

D. 1479; will, dat. 14 July, pr. at Canterbury 27 July 1479.¹³ To be bur. in St. Leonard's, Hythe. To w. Thomasine for life tenement in which he lives, and

¹ *Munim. Civ. Ox.* 221-3. ² *Ex inf.* Dr. Salter. ³ *Nottingham Records*, ii. 79.

⁴ *Geneal.* xix. 109. ⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 65/48. ⁶ *Ex inf.* Dr. Salter.

⁷ Stevenson, *Nottingham Records*, ii. 409. ⁸ *ibid.* 410, 429.

⁹ *ibid.* 220. ¹⁰ *ibid.* 258, 265, 430.

¹¹ Elected, with William Luns, by whole community, 21 Dec. 1477. Wages 44 days at 2s.

¹² Hythe Accts., G.93, f. 174d. ¹³ Cant. Prob. Reg. C. ii. f. 434d.

another, reversion to his da. Margaret and heirs. Margaret under age and unmarried. Residue to wife and she sole exix.

STACEY (STACE), THOMAS (1420-73); of Hythe; fisherman and merchant. M.P. Hythe 1453-4,¹ 1461-2,² 1467-8,³ 1472⁴ till death.

He was a freeman and native of Hythe;⁵ a fisherman and mercht.;⁶ as "of Hythe" he was one of the men of Kent pardoned in Nov. 1471; and his will, as of Hythe, was pr. 1472 at Canterbury (2.244). He is probably not the Thomas Stacey who carried letters to Ireland in 1443, and was denounced in Parlt. 1450/1, and lived in Surrey in 1457. John Stace who sat for Hythe 1478 will be his son.

D. 1473; will, dat. 26 Jan., pr. at Canterbury 27 Jan. 1473.⁷

STAFFORD, FULK (1420-62); of Harvington near Kidderminster, esq. Warwick's servant. M.P. WORCESTERSHIRE 1455-6, 1460-1. Yorkist.

Probably yr. bro. of Humphrey Stafford of Frome, Heref., and therefore s. of John by the da. of Cheyney of Frome, and g.s. of Ralph Stafford of Grafton, M.P. (1340-1409). Brother of John Stafford his colleague in the representation of Worcestershire.

The tenement of Fulk Stafford is referred to in Stafford in 1445.⁸ In Jan. 1454 both Fulk Stafford, late of Hervington, Worc. esq., and Humphrey Stafford, late of Heyward's Frome, Heref., esq., were lodged in Hereford gaol. But from Mich. 1455 (while M.P.) till 1457 and again 1460-61, Fulk was acting as sheriff of co. Worcester for the earl of Warwick. He was with the earl at Ludford in Oct. 1459, but was pardoned.⁹ In Jan. 1461 he was comsnd., with Kyriell, Wenlock and Blount, to arrest the rebels (Lancastrians), and in Jan. 1462 he was granted the forfeited lands of the earl of Wilts. in Cradeley and Clent. He was pardoned, with the other ex-Lancastrian officials, 1 July 1462, as "late under-sheriff of Worcester, *alias* late sheriff, esq., *alias* late of Harvington, *alias* late of Brome, Staffs., *alias* late of Kidderminster" (m.25). On 26 Jan. 1463, Fulk being lately dead (? in Northumberland) on the King's service without issue, Cradeley and Clent were now granted to Sir Walter Wrottesley, (*q.v.*).¹⁰ Fulk Stafford's own lands at Hagley and Stourbridge, in the King's hands, were accounted for during 1463,¹¹ and Parliament in 1467 exempted from resumption the widow's third portion, in Cradeley, Old Swinford and Hagley, of Margaret that was wife of Fulk Stafford.¹² In Stone chapel, between Kidderminster and Harvington, was once a glass window

¹ Elected 25 Feb. 1453. In 1454 he claimed £16 9s. 4d. for wages for Parlt. at Reading, 8 score days at Reading at 2s. 4d., at London 2s. (Hythe Accounts, F).

² Elected 14 June 1461 (Hythe Accounts).

³ In 1468 he claimed £6 for his Parlt. wages at Westminster—viz. 3 score days (Hythe Accts. G., No. 93, f. 6).

⁴ Elected 1 Sept. 1472, rode to Parlt. 4 Oct., dead by 28 Jan. 1473 (Hythe Accts. G.93, f.7).

⁵ Wilks, *Barons of the V. Ports.*

⁶ Hythe Accts., F.

⁷ To be bur. in St. Leonards, Hythe. To da. Isabel a large "petella" of which my w. Katherine is to have control till Isabel marry; a gown to bro. John Stace and to his s. John a "sprotnet" etc. To s. Richard a silver basin; to s. Nicholas my best belt decorated with silver. Lands in Hythe, Saltwood, etc. to wife for life, successive reversions to sons Nicholas, Richard and John. Son John to have at once a house and lands, successive remainders to sons Richard and Nicholas. John (still unmarried) to have two nets called "depyng" and its weights. Household stores and crops to wife. Exors. :—John son, John s. of John Stace my bro., Thomas at Wode. Supervisor, Richard Berne (Cant. Prob. Reg. C. ii. ff. 244-245d).

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1445), 393.

⁹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 368.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1463), pp. 217, 262, 297. ¹¹ *Enr. Accts.* 6 Ed. IV. F. ¹² *Rot. Parl.* v. 603.

with squire and wife praying, inscribed "for the souls of Fulc Stafford esq. and Margaret his wife".¹

STAFFORD, Sir HUMPHREY (1400-50); of Grafton, Worcs., Chebsey, Staffs., and Leamington-Hastings, Warw. Lieutenant of Calais in 1442. M.P. WORCESTERSHIRE 1423-4, 1426; STAFFORDSHIRE 1427-8; WORCESTERSHIRE 1447, 1449 (1).

Second s. of Sir Humphrey Stafford of the same M.P. (*d.* 1419), by Elizabeth da. and h. of Sir John Burdett of Huncote. *M. c.* 1408, Eleanor da. and coh. of Sir Thomas Aylesbury of Blatherwick, N'hants.; she survived him and was suing for dower in Chebsey, 1453. His s. Humphrey lost Grafton for ever when he was executed in 1486, and thenceforth these Staffords lived at Blatherwick, N'hants. He succeeded his elder bro. John in 1422.

Sheriff, Warw. and Leics., 1423-4, 1430-1; of Worcs., 1431-2; of Beds. and Bucks., 1437-8; of Warw. and Leics., 1438-9; of Heref. and the Welsh Marches 1446-7. Elector, Worcs., 1425, 1431, 1433. Kntd. 1427/30; J.P. Worcs., 26 Nov. 1430 till death; pardoned 1437 and July 1446. As Lieut. of Calais he was sent in July 1442 to treat with the Low Countries, and again so sent in Oct. 1444.² J.P. Warw., 11 July 1443 to 30 Mar. 1449.

The feud with the Harcourts began in June 1448 when Richard Stafford, Sir Humphrey's eldest son, was slain by the Harcourts at Coventry; the Staffords burnt out the Harcourts at Stanton-Harcourt in May 1450. Even the death of Sir Humphrey at Sevenoaks failed to end the trouble. Sir Robert Harcourt was murdered by the bastard of Grafton, Sir Humphrey's son, in 1470, and another Sir Robert Harcourt, in 1486, saw the next Humphrey hanged, drawn and quartered at Tyburn.

But Sir Humphrey and his cousin, William Stafford (*q.v.*), were slain by Jack Cade at Sevenoaks, 7 June 1450. For full account, see under William Stafford or the *English Chronicle* p. 66.

His admon. was granted at Lambeth, 22 June 1450.³

STAFFORD, HUMPHREY (1426/7-86); of Grafton, Worcs., and of Blatherwycke, N'hants. M.P. WORCESTERSHIRE 1449-50, 1450-1, 1453-4, 1455-6, (? 1461-2); WARWICKSHIRE 1478; and (? WORCESTERSHIRE 1483 (1)).

Second, but eldest surviving s. of Sir Humphrey Stafford of Grafton, M.P. (1400-50), by Eleanor (Aylesbury), heiress of Blatherwycke.⁴ *M.* Catherine, second da. and coh. of Sir John Fray, Chief Baron; she *d.* 12 May 1482.

He was pardoned, as of Grafton, 1452, 1458, and in Aug. 1462 "*alias* late of London"—therefore he may have been M.P. 1461-2. He was pardoned again, as of Grafton, Nov. 1468. J.P. Worcs., 27 Nov. 1469 till sheriff; and 24 Feb. 1473 to 24 Sept. 1474, and 8 July 1477 till sheriff; sheriff of Worcs., 30 Mar. 1470 to 5 Nov. 1479; and 5 Nov. 1484 to 12 Sept. 1485.

His politics were anti-Harcourt rather than anti-Lancaster; during the Readeption govt. the bastard of Grafton, his half-brother, slew Sir Robert Harcourt, the Yorkist (*q.v.*). Stafford was pardoned by the Yorkists, 1 Nov. 1472, and all

¹ *Worc. Hist. Assocn.* i. 388.

² *Foedera*, V. i. 136; ii. 5.

³ *Staffs. Colls.* 1917, 212-3.

⁴ In 1476 Eleanor, widow of Sir Humphrey, slain in 1450, and her sons Humphrey and Thomas founded a chantry.

the ancestry of Sir Humphrey is given, back to Ralf Stafford with all his Staffordshire manors (m.15).¹ Curiously enough he seems to have been an elector in Worcestershire in 1478, while sheriff. In Oct. 1483, then sheriff, he held the fords of Severn against Humphrey Stafford, duke of Buckingham, and brought about the Duke's defeat and death. He was rewarded by being restored to the life shrievalty of Worcestershire a year later—a curiously inadequate reward. He was on all the comms. for Worcestershire in 1483 and 1484, being a strong supporter of Richard III. What part he took in Aug. 1485 is unknown; but he was attainted in Nov. 1485.² Early in 1486, pretending to have the King's pardon, he raised a rebellion which was easily put down.³ He was taken from sanctuary, convicted, and hanged, drawn, and quartered at Tyburn, 8 July 1486; buried at Greyfriars.

His son, Humphrey, born 1477/8, *m.* Sir John Fogge's da. Margaret and was restored in blood and the attainder was reversed in 1504; but he never recovered his paternal lands, for a too powerful man, Sir Gilbert Talbot (*q.v.*), had got Grafton. He did, however, recover in 1514 the lands of his mother's inheritance and thenceforth the Staffords of Grafton became the Staffords of Blatherwick.⁴

STAFFORD, HUMPHREY (1427–61); of Hooke, Dorset, and of Southwick, Wilts. M.P. DORSET 1449 (1).

S. and h. of Sir John Stafford (*d.* 1427), by Anne (*d.* 1427), da. of William, third lord Botreaux. He succeeded his grandfather, Sir Humphrey Stafford "of the Silver Hand" M.P. in 1442.

He appears on the pardon roll, 6 Jan. 1458, as "Humphrey Stafford, senior, esq., son and heir of John Stafford knt." He or his cousin Humphrey were sumnd. to Parl. as Lord Stafford of Southwick, 21 July 1461. But he died in Scotland without issue, 6 Aug. 1461, when Humphrey Stafford (*q.v.*) his cousin succeeded him in his estates and responded to the said summons.⁵

STAFFORD, Sir HUMPHREY (1439–69); of Southwick, Wilts., and Hooke, Dorset. (Lord Stafford of Southwick 1461; Earl of Devon 1469.) M.P. SOMERSET 1460–1.⁶ Sumnd. 1461, 1463, 1467. Yorkist.

S. and h. of William Stafford, M.P. (1407–50) by Katherine (Chidiok); *m.* presumably after 1463 Isabel, da. of Sir John Barre M.P., and she *rem.* Sir Thomas Bouchier, fifth son of Henry, earl of Essex, and died 1489. No issue.⁷

When returned for Somerset, he was of Enmore by Bridgwater, and while M.P. he was made sheriff of Somerset and Dorset, he being only 21. He was with Edward at Mortimer's Cross, 2 Feb. 1461;⁸ kntd. at Towton, 29 Mar. 1461; made high steward of the Duchy of Cornwall, 15 June; heir to his first cousin Humphrey Stafford of Hooke and Southwick, M.P., who died 6 Aug. 1461; sumnd., prematurely, as Lord Stafford "of Southwick", 21 July 1461;⁹ made

¹ See note 4 on p. 792.

² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 276.

³ See under Sir Thomas Cokesey, and *Eng. Hist. Rev.* ⁴ *Geneal. N.S.* xxxi. pp. 175–6.

⁵ *Geneal. N.S.* xxxiii. 175; *Misc. Gen. & Her.* iii (1878), p. 6.

⁶ Described as of Enmore (4 miles S.W. of Bridgwater) in the Sheriff's return.

⁷ *Geneal. N.S.* xxxi. 175, where the heirs' lawsuits are given.

⁸ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 137.

⁹ There is something very queer about this writ of summons. As Humphrey Stafford of Hooke and Southwick only died on the 6 Aug., the writ fitted him; but it was received and acted on by the Humphrey who was not of Southwick when it was issued, 21 July.

constable of Bristol, keeper of Kingswood and Gillingham forests, 26 July the same year;¹ a comnr. of array in Dorset, Wilts., and Somerset, 12 Aug.; present in Parliament Nov. to Dec. 1461; raising troops for the King in the west, Oct. 1462. Though again sumnd. to the Parlt. of 1463-5, he was made baron by letters patent also, 24 Apr. 1464; keeper of Dartmoor, 11 Nov. 1464; constable of Bridgwater, 20 Mar. 1465. He was arbitrating at Salisbury for the bishop, 1466; at court, 8 June 1466. In May 1468 he was treating for peace with Brittany; comnr. of array, 3 July 1468.

Warkworth makes him responsible for the judicial murder in Apr. 1469 of Henry Courtenay, bro. and heir of Thomas, the attainted and executed earl of Devon,² though Lord Stourton presided at the trial. At least Stafford was made Earl of Devon, 17 May 1469. He was one of those denounced in Robin of Redesdale's manifesto (drafted by Warwick) in June 1469, with Herbert, Audley and Fogge—"ceducious persones".³ Stafford led 7,000⁴ men to intercept Robin and the Nevills, but quarrelled about sleeping quarters with his Welsh allies under Pembroke, so that they were defeated in detail at Banbury and Edgcote—Aug. 1469. Stafford escaped from the field, got to Bridgwater and was there taken and beheaded as was said "by the Commons", i.e., the people, 17 Aug. 1469.⁵ It is said that the King "commanded the sheriffs of Somerset and Devon to put him to death"; but the King could do nothing of the sort, for, as the result of Edgcote, he was Warwick's prisoner.

The three months earl was bur. in Glastonbury abbey; will, dat. 3 Sept. 1463, pr. 29 Feb. 1470.⁵ His heirs in law were the three das. of his father's sister, but law suits continued interminably till the execution in 1486 of Humphrey Stafford of Grafton whose claim was based on force and name alone.

STAFFORD, JOHN (1420-61); Cadet of Heywards-Frome, Heref., esq., lawyer. M.P. WORCESTERSHIRE 1460-1. Yorkist.

S. of John (s. of Ralph Stafford) and bro. of Fulk Stafford M.P. (1420-62). It is possible but not probable that he *m.* the widow of Sir William Lucy M.P. slain 1460.⁶

J.P. West Riding, of the quorum, 23 Nov. 1443 to 10 July 1458; on Yorks. comns. 1442 to 1451. He was trespassed against in Herts. 1443, and, if it was the same man, John Stafford of Abingdon, Berks., had to restore a pirated butt of malmsey in 1445. He fought on the Yorkist side at Northampton, where he slew Sir William Lucy (*q.v.*),⁶ 10 July 1460; was put on a N'hants. comn. by the Yorkists on 29 Oct. 1460 while M.P.; elected for Worcs. with his bro. Fulk who lived in that county, Oct.; and they comsmd. Walter Blount, Fulk and John Stafford to suppress the rebels in the Midlands, 11 Jan. 1461. He had not much

¹ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Humphrey Stafford.

² Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 498.

³ *ibid.* i. 492.

⁴ More likely 700!

⁵ To be bur. at Glastonbury. Mentions his officers and under-sheriffs, Jewe (*q.v.*), Clavilsey and John Bykenell (*q.v.*) "in whom is all my trust." Most of the will and codicils are concerned with restoring lands and money wrongly taken, especially when sheriff. Exors.:—Bp. of Winchester, Sir John Willoughby, his cousin John Cheyne, William Browning, John Kendale, and they residuary legatees. No mention of a wife.

⁶ At the battle of Northampton, Sir William Lucy was slain by the servants of John Stafford, esq., who soon after *m.* his wife (Worcester, *Annales*, 773); or more simply "who loved his wife" (see art. Sir Wm. Lucy).

time to marry for he was slain himself at Towton fighting on the Yorkist side, 28 Mar. 1461.¹

STAFFORD, WILLIAM (1407-50); of Stinsford, Dorset, and of Southwick, Wilts., esq. M.P. DORSET 1439-40.

Yst. s. of Sir Humphrey Stafford of Southwick, Wilts. (1379-1442)—eleven times M.P.—called “of the Silver Hand”,² by Elizabeth, da. and event. h. of Sir John Maltravers of Hooke, Dorset; bro. of Sir Richard Stafford, M.P. Dorset 1423, and uncle of Humphrey Stafford, M.P. (1427-61). M. Katherine yr. da. and coh. of Sir John Chidiok of Caundle-Haddon; she survived him and rem. Sir John Arundel of Lanherne, Cornwall. His only s. and h. Humphrey (*q.v.*) (1439-69) was sumnd. as Lord Stafford of Southwick 1461, and Earl of Devon, 1469.

He took a force of 30 men-at-arms and 150 archers to France in 1432, serving under Bedford; on Dorset comns. 1438 to 1450; J.P. Som., 23 Mar. 1439 to 25 Mar. 1440, and 1 June 1443 till death; J.P. Dorset, 26 Apr. 1442 (while sheriff) till death; and four times sheriff:—Som. and Dor., 1437-8, Glos., 1438-9, Som. and Dor. 1441-2, 1446-7. Shortly after the rising of the 1439-40 Parlt. he got the reversion of Fordington, Dorset, in place of a £40 rent out of Frampton which he had had during Bedford's lifetime. He had trouble with the earl of Dorset in 1445/6, but was pardoned; and in May 1446 he was one of those pardoned for riots and insurrections.³ He seems to have been allied with the Bonville faction, as he was a feoffee for William Bonville, lord of Haryngton, Sept. 1448; Dorset elector in 1447 (heads the list).

Together with his distant cousin Sir Humphrey Stafford of Grafton, he was slain by Cade's men at Sevenoaks, 18 June 1450.⁴

STANBOROUGH *alias* HAYNES, ROGER (1400-55); ald. of Bath. M.P. Bath 1447, 1449-50, 1453-4.

M. Alice; doubtless father of William Haynes *alias* Stanborough M.P.

A witness in Bath, 1422; constable, Nov. 1427. In Feb. 1433 the Corporation licensed Roger and Alice his wife to make a “gowte” in the ground beyond the highway. In Aug. 1444, with John Shipward (*q.v.*) of Bristol, he was exor. of the will of William Phylpys, clothier of Bath. He had a garden in Plumtrelande. Alderman by May 1452. A feoffee in 1450, when called Stanburgh *alias* Haynes.⁵

STANBOROUGH (*alias* HAYNES), WILLIAM, see HAYNES.

STANHOPE, EDWIN; of Northampton. M.P. Northampton boro' 1455-6.

In 1432/43 Henry Stone, late mayor of Northampton, sued Edwyn Stanap for the lands of the hospital of St. Leonards for lepers, in Northampton.⁶

¹ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 165.

² His illeg. bro. was John Stafford, Lord Chancellor and Archbp. of Canterbury, *d.* 1452.

³ Called “of Stinsford, Dorset” (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1446).

⁴ “They sent out a squire, called William Stafford, and Sir Humphrey Stafford, his cosyne, for to espy where the Kentish men were; and when they knew that they were at Sevenoaks they rode thither hastily with a few men, weening to have got a singular worship and laud; but they were within the danger of them ere they wist it, and were there both slain with the more part of their men that abode with them” (*Eng. Chron.* Camden Soc. 1856, p. 66). Elsewhere we learn that “they went down, with their bryganders set with gilt nails and gilt spurs.” *Gregory's Chronicle* (p. 191), calls him “the mannylste man of alle thys realme of Engelande.”

⁵ *Bath Ancient Deeds*, pp. 8, 15, 53, 66, 93, 97, 107, 115.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 11/172.

STANHOPE (STANHOP), JOHN (1413-93); of Rampton. King's Squire 1447-50. M.P. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1449-50, 1453-4, 1459, 1460-1, (? 1461-2), 1467-8, 1472-5. Lancastrian.

S. of Richard (*d.* 1432) and g.s. and h. of Sir Richard Stanhope (*d.* 1436 when John was aged 23) of Rampton. His mother, da. or probably sis. of Sir John Markham, C.J. (1405-79), is called Elisabel; *m.* (1) 1427 Elizabeth, da. of Thomas Talbot of Bashall, Yorks., by whom he had many children;¹ (2) Catherine da. of R. Molineux, *rem.* Ralph Ratcliff.²

He was already a King's squire when he was granted the tun of wine yearly issued for King's servants, to be delivered in Hull, Jan. 1447; pardoned, 5 July 1452 and Nov. 1455 as of Rampton and Tuxford, and 29 Apr. 1458; elector, Notts., 1449 (2) and 1467, being himself elected on both occasions. J.P. Notts., 20 Apr. 1454 to 20 Nov. 1458, 1461 to 3 May 1470, 1472 till 20 Sept. 1485, and 1486 till death. Sheriff, Notts. and Derbys., 1454 to 21 Jan. 1456;³ 1461-3; and 6 Nov. 1470 to 11 Apr. 1471, being superseded by Pierrepont (*q.v.*); on Notts. comns. 1450-74, mostly Lancastrian in 1469 and 1470. Pardoned with the ex-Lancastrian officials, 1 July 1462.

It was doubtless his presence in the Parliaments of 1460 and 1467 (possibly of others in between) that enabled him to be Lancastrian or Yorkist or a follower of the Readeption government with complete impunity. The re-established Yorkists pardoned him, 1 Feb. 1472 as of Rampton, late of Houghton; and he was elected again to the following Parliament. The Prior of Beauvale, Notts., engaged himself to pray for John Stanhope of Houghton and the Lady Catherine his wife, Dec. 1486.⁴

D. 12 Dec. 1493, when Edward, aged 24, s. of Thomas, s. of John, was his g.s. and h.; lands, Notts. Ancestor in the male line of the Earls of Chesterfield and Stanhope.

STANLAWE see STANLEY.

STANLEY, Hon. Sir GEORGE (1458-1503); (lord Strange 1482), K.G., P.C. M.P. LANCASHIRE 1478; sumnd. 1483 Jan., 1483 June, 1484, 1485, 1487, 1489, 1491, 1495, 1497.

S. and h. of Sir Thomas Stanley, 1st earl of Derby (1439-1504), by Lady Eleanor (Nevill) sis. of the "King-maker." *M.* by Feb. 1481, Jane (*d.* 1514) da. and h. of John (*d.* 1477) lord L'Estrange of Knockyn.⁵

On comn. of *oyer*, Lancs., 7 Apr. 1475; kntd. 18 Apr. 1475; on comns. from 1476; sumnd. to Parlt. as lord Strange, 15 Nov. 1482; one of those to try Sir Richard Guildford (*q.v.*), 1 Mar. 1484; rewarded with a grant of some of Buckingham's lands and those of other rebels, 17 Sept. 1484. A comnr. to treat with the Scots, 1485. Richard III kept lord Strange by him throughout the Bosworth campaign as hostage for lord Derby. Warden of the march and P.C., 25 Sept. 1485; governor of the King's mines in England and Wales, 25 Feb. 1486; constable of Wicklow, 17 Feb. 1486; K.G. and one of the chief commanders

¹ *Visitn. Notts.*, 6.

² Glover, *Derbyshire*, 165.

³ He prayed to be excused £100 still due from him as sheriff caused by the raising of 300 men for the relief of Bamfborough, Dec. 1456; he was allowed £80 (*Privy Council Proc.* vi. 272).

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 272.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1481), 218. Licence to enter on the l'Estrange lands, 26 Feb. 1481.

at Stoke, 1487. On many comms. in Lancs., Wales, Yorks., Essex and Surrey from 1485; J.P. Bucks., 20 Sept. 1485 till death; one of the lords assenting to the peace at Boulogne, 3 Nov. 1492; to seize the estates of Sir William Stanley (his uncle), 8 Feb. 1495; at the siege of Norham castle and with the Scottish expedition, 1497.¹

D. 5 Dec. 1503 during his father's lifetime,² at Derby House now the Herald's College.¹ His eldest s. Thomas was second earl of Derby.

STANLEY, Sir HUMPHREY (1455-1505); of Pipe and Clifton. Ranger of Cannock; Steward of Walsall; Knt. of the body 1485-1505. M.P. STAFFORDSHIRE (? 1487), (? 1489-90), 1491-2, 1495, (? 1504).

Second s. of Sir John Stanley of Elford and Pipe M.P. (1423-76) by Elizabeth (l'Estrange); m. (1) ———, by whom his s. and h. John; (2) Ellen da. and h. of Sir James Lee of Aston by Stone.³

A retainer of lord Hastings 1474; J.P. Staffs., 1480-3, 1485-96, 1499 till death; sheriff, Staffs., 1481-2, 1485-6, 1493-4; fought on the Tudor side at Bosworth, being then knighted;⁴ a banneret at Stoke, 9 June 1487; began the attack at Blackheath, 17 July 1497.⁵ After Bosworth he was made steward of Buckingham's lands in Staffs., during the duke's minority, 22 Sept. 1485;⁶ knt. of the body; steward and porter of Walsall, 25 Sept. 1485;⁷ ranger of Cannock chase and keeper of Alrewas hay, 20 Oct. 1485;⁸ exempted from resumption, 1485/6.⁹ He was at court at the reception to the French ambassador, 1492, and at York's creation, 1494. In 1494, while sheriff, he had William Chetwynd of Ingestre (q.v.), his colleague in the 1491 Parlt., murdered on Tixall heath. This has been held to be revenge for some part played by Chetwynd in the arrest of Sir William Stanley and Sir Simon Montfort in 1494. It is at least as likely that Chetwynd was murdered over rival rights of chase and hunt, and the widow obtained no justice against the knt. of the body, the most powerful man in the county. The Parlt. of 1504 commissioned him to appoint collrs. of taxes in Staffs.¹⁰

D. 1505.

STANLEY, JOHN (1400-61/9); of Battersea. Captain of Carnarvon 1427-60; Serjeant of the Armoury 1431-60; Usher of the Chamber 1440-55. M.P. SURREY 1445-6, 1447. Lancastrian.

S. of Sir William Stanley of the Wirrall;¹¹ m. Catherine, for their memorial inscription from Battersea church is quoted by Strype, who saw the monument. Their s. John remained Lancastrian was attainted 1471, and his forfeited Battersea lands were then granted to Laurence Booth, Archbp. of York.

He had served under Henry V;¹² was made serjeant of the armoury in the Tower, Nov. 1431; and he appears to have been sheriff of Anglesey and captain of

¹ H. Hornyold-Strickland, *Lancs. M.P.s* (Chatham Soc.), pp. 91, 92.

² *Comp. Peer.* iv. 207-8.

⁴ Not "5 Nov. 1481," as in Shaw, *Knights*.

⁶ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 37.

⁸ *Palmer's Index to Fine Rolls*.

¹¹ Pardon Roll, July 1437, gives his parentage; "son of William de Stanley knt., alias of Wirrall, Cheshire, esq." (m.11).

¹² For good service to Henry V and Henry VI he was granted a manor in Anglesey, though already a constable of Carnarvon, sheriff of Anglesey, and serjeant of the armoury in the Tower.

³ *Staffs. Colls.* (1917), 277-8.

⁵ *Kingsford's Chronicle*, 214.

⁷ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 60.

¹⁰ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 540.

Carnarvon from 1427 to 1460. Sheriff of Merioneth also, May 1433 ; pardoned, July 1437 ; usher of the chamber by 1440 ;¹ sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1442-3 ; granted a tun of wine at Christmas, May 1443 ; made steward of the Menai, with a manor in Anglesey, Mar. 1444. In spite of all these Welsh grants and appointments it is not clear that he was ever long away from court. In Oct. 1442 he was certainly one of the valets of the crown in charge of the unfortunate Eleanor Cobham.² The *Enr. Accts.* show a livery of cloth to him as usher of the chamber, 1445 ; pardoned, 1446, as usher of the chamber, *alias* of Battersea, Surrey (m.28). In 1450 the Issue Roll (No. 777) mentions that he had been a King's Servant 19 years. J.P. Surrey, 9 Aug. 1448 to 15 Jan. 1459, 24 Dec. 1460 to 1461 ; Surrey elector, heading the list, 1449 (1) ; on comms. in Surrey, Sept. 1449, and in North Wales, Aug. 1451. His sons were now reaching manhood and the Act of Resumption of 1449-50 exempts Jenkyn Stanley, usher of the chamber, and John his son ;³ Jenkyn Stanley and William, his son, hold and retain the office of victualler in North Wales.⁴

In Jan. 1450 the duke of Suffolk was committed to the keeping of Stanley, Minors and Staunton (*q.v.*), King's squires. They would be the most likely to keep him safe from harm ; but they were discharged, 19 Mar. 1450 ; Suffolk attempted to escape to France, was taken at sea, and beheaded over the gunwale of the *Nicholas of the Tower*, probably by Robert Wennington (*q.v.*). Stanley was one of the favourites denounced by Jack Cade at Rochester, July 1450 ; by Nov. they were denouncing him in Parlt. also, but he retained his posts. In May 1453, "Jenkyn of Stanley, serjeant of the King's armoury," was ordered to have armour and weapons made for John Lialton, who had appealed Robert Norris and was to fight him in Smithfield.⁵ Indeed, when the King's Household was re-arranged and cut down in 1454, Stanley is found as one of the four squires of the body. This cannot possibly be his son John, for Stanley junior appears in the same list as one of the twelve "squires in attendance."⁶ He received a general pardon in May 1455, two days before the battle of St. Albans.⁷ In the ordinary Pardon Roll, later in the year, he was, "of Battersea, esquire of the Body" ; exempted from the 1455 Resumption, but only as regards his shrievalty of Anglesey and the wages needful for certain "soldiers in a crew" for defence of Carnarvon.⁸ In July 1457 his serjeantry of the armoury, with 12*d.* a day and 6*d.* for a yeoman and 3*d.* for a groom, was re-granted to him and his son John, replacing the earlier grant ; they were to be paid out of the issues of Surrey and Sussex. He was pardoned again 1458,⁹ and the description together with the livery of clothes made to John Stanley, squire of the body, son of John Stanley that same year,¹⁰ shows that though still

¹ The Infirmarers' Rolls of Westminster Abbey show that, "Dom. John Stanley, one of the Wardens of the Chamber of the King," late of Wirrall, farmed the rectorial tythes of Battersea in 1440/1 for £10 a year. ² F. Devon, *Issues*, 440. ³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 190.

⁴ *ibid.* v. 196.

⁵ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 133.

⁶ *ibid.* vi. 223, 224.

⁷ As John Stanley the elder of Battersea, late of Wirrall, usher of the chamber, serjeant of the armoury, for all offences save any connected with his office of sheriff of Anglesey, or any liveries without the Tower save as in schedule in a writ of Privy Seal (which gives a long list of armour issued from the Tower and to whom issued).

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* v. 315.

⁹ "Of the Household, senior, esq., late usher of the chamber, late esquire of the body, *alias* serjeant of the armoury, *alias* of Battersea" (m.37). ¹⁰ *Enr. Accts.* for 1458/9.

serjeant of the armoury, he had lost his offices in the Household. He may have sat in the 1459 Parlt. ; at least that Parlt. exempted him from the Act annulling patents, "Jenkyn Stanley sometime esquire of the Household, and John Stanley, his son, esquire of the Household, one of the sewers of the Chamber."

He came safely through the revolution, for Jenkyn Stanley was exempted from resumption in 1461, at least so far as concerned his reversionary rights in the lands in N. Wales of Dame Ellen Radford, late wife of Sir Henry Radford and sister of Jenkyn Stanley.¹ But by Apr. 1469 he was dead—described as a deceased feoffee for John Alfray in East Grinstead.²

STANLEY, Sir JOHN (1423/4-76) ; of Pipe, Elford and Clifton, Staffs.

M.P. STAFFORDSHIRE 1447, 1450-1, (? 1463-5), 1467-8, 1472-5. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir Thomas Stanley of the same, M.P. (*d.* May 1463), by Maud (Arderne), h. of Elford. *M.* (1) 1428, Cecily Arderne, by whom he had John (*b.* 1448) ; and (2) 1451, Maud da. of Sir Richard Vernon M.P., the Speaker ; and (3) by 1455, Elizabeth, da. of John l'Estrange and widow of Sir John Vampage M.P., attorney-general, by whom he had Sir Humphrey Stanley, M.P. (1455-1505).

Pardoned, 9 Nov. 1446 ;³ returned for the county, 1447 ; sheriff, Staffs., 1450-1, 1459-60, 1464-5, 1468-9, 1474-5 ; sumnd. to the gt. council for Staffs., Apr. 1455 (Lancastrian) ; pardoned Oct. 1455 and Jan. 1458, being accurately described as "of Pipe esq., s. and h. of Thomas Stanley of Elford" ; fought as Lancastrian at Blore Heath, being kntd. before the battle, 23 Sept. 1459 ;⁴ pricked for sheriff, Nov. 1459 ; on the comns. to arrest Yorkists in Feb. and Mar. 1460.

The Stanleys adjusted themselves, and he was sheriff again, 1464 ; J.P. Staffs. Nov. 1468 till death. In 1468 too, he and his yr. s., Humphrey, then aged 12, were joint rangers of Cannock. In June 1469⁵ he was pardoned ; followed Clarence, not too closely, through 1469-71 (or followed his nephew Harry Vernon, *q.v.*) ; made banneret at Tewkesbury, 4 May 1471. With the other vicars of Bray he appears on the pardon roll, 4 Feb. 1472.⁶ His s. John went to France in his place—a man-at-arms with six archers, 1475.

D. 29 June 1476, and his tomb with a quartered coat is in Elford church.⁷ He bore normally the ordinary Stanley arms :—Silver, on a bend, azure, three bucks' heads, gold. Probably his sons, John and Humphrey both sat in Parlt., and Humphrey ended in Westminster Abbey after committing murder.

STANLEY, JOHN (1460-1520) ;⁸ of Melling, Lancs. M.P. LANCA-SHIRE 1491-2.

Yr. or bastard son of Sir John Stanley of Alderley and Weaver, Chesh., dead in 1485 (the brother of Thomas, 1st earl of Derby). *M.* Elizabeth (1456-1515) da. and coh. of Sir John Harrington (*d.* 1460) of Hornby, Lancs., through whom

¹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 474.

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 79.

³ As esq., tenant of Sibertoft manor, N'hants., *alias* of Elford, Staffs. (m.23).

⁴ *Gregory's Chronicle*—Camden Soc. 1876—p. 204. ⁵ Pardon Roll, 1469 (m.1).

⁶ As "of Elford, late sheriff ;" and on the same Roll occurs "Thomas, son of John Stanley of Elford knt., *alias* Thomas Stanley late of Lichfield."

⁷ Shaw, *Staffs.*, I. 354, 383.

⁸ *Inq. p.m.* 12 Hen. VIII, Vol. 25, No. 39 ; but see *Misc. Gen. & Her.* iii. 272, where he is said to have left das. and coheirresses, and that his widow *d.*, as wife of Ric. Beaumont, in 1515.

he acquired Melling.¹ He must not be confused with Sir John, the bastard s. of James Stanley (1465-1515) bp. of Ely; nor with John Stanley of Elford, Staffs.

He is called esq. on the 1491 list of M.P.s; and also when patron of the church of Alderley, Cheshire, 1501, and in his inquest. *D.* 15 Apr. 1520, when William, aged 25, was his s. and h.; lands—Lancs.

STANLEY, Sir THOMAS (1406-59); of Lathom and Knowsley, K.G. (Lord Stanley 1456.) Gov. of Ireland 1429-37; Controller of the Household 1442-52; King's Chamberlain 1455-9. M.P. LANCASHIRE 1427, 1433, 1439-40, 1442, 1447, 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1450-1, 1455-Jan., 1456. Sumnd. Jan. 1456. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of John Stanley of the same, steward of the Household (*d.* 1437), by Isabel, sis. of Sir William Harington of Hornby, Lancs.; *m.* Jane, da. and coh. of Sir Robert Goushill of Hoveringham, Notts., and widow of Thomas Mowbray, duke of Norfolk.

In 1424 Sir Richard Molyneux attacked him in his father's tower in Water St., Liverpool, both were arrested. Kntd. by 1429 when made Deputy Govr. of Ireland; chief Govr. or Lieut., 1431.² He returned to England by 1433,³ and succeeded his father in 1437; constable of Chester for life, 14 Dec. 1437; gauger of all N. Wales ports, 9 May 1440; steward of Macclesfield; Controller of the Household 1442-52,⁴ and as such arrested Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, at Bury in 1447.⁵ Administrator of the duke's goods, 24 Mar. 1447; chief steward of the Duchy, 11 Dec. 1447. Conservator of the peace with Scotland on several occasions 1449-59. He had incurred the enmity of York, who complained of him to the King when back from Ireland in 1450,⁶ and his dismissal from court was demanded by the Parlt. of 1450-1.⁷

Sumnd. to attend the council at Westminster, Apr. 1454, and was one of the four knights sumnd. to the great council in May of the same year.⁸ By now he was in favour with the Yorkists, and was by them made Chamberlain and a Privy Councillor in May/Nov. 1455. In the Parlt. of that year he was appointed to the select committee which was to provide for the Household; exempted from the Act of Resumption, as "Lord Stanley, Chamberlain", in respect of his office of Master Forester of Macclesfield, and he was summoned to the Lords by special writ of 15 Jan. 1456. He was a tutor to the Prince of Wales, Jan. 1457; K.G. 13 May 1457.

D. 20 Feb. 1459, buried at Burscough.⁹ His eldest son Thomas (1435-1504) became the first Earl of Derby, 1485.

STANLEY (STANLAW), THOMAS; of Priorshall, Cumbd. M.P. Carlisle 1447.

The Pardon Roll of 24 Nov. 1455 includes—Thomas Stanley, late of Pryours-hall, Cumbd., gent., *alias* Stanlowe, late of Carlisle, *alias* Stanlawe of Keswick,

¹ H. Hornyold-Strickland, *Lancs. M.P.s*, 93.

² In Feb. 1440 Sir Thomas Stanley was repaid three tallages by the Exchequer (Issue Rolls).

³ But he was Lieut. in Ireland again, July 1445 (Issue Rolls). ⁴ *Exchq. Accts. Wardrobe.*

⁵ *Eng. Chron.* 117. ⁶ Gairdner, *Paston Letters*, ed. 1904, p. 81.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. 216. ⁸ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 174, 184-6.

⁹ G.E.C. *Comp. Peer. sub voce*. Stanley, p. 237-8.

alias Stanlee of Cockermouth (m.13). On 11 Sept. 1457 the keeping of "Hubrigby" was granted to Thomas Stanley, late of Carlisle, on the mainprise of John Denton of Carlisle, gent., and John Blennerhasset of the same.¹

STANLOWE, WILLIAM (1410-66); of Silk-Willoughby, Lincs. Foreign Apposer of the Exchequer, 1439-45. M.P. Lincoln city 1442.

M. Jane, perhaps da. of John Markham, C.J.²

He owed his position probably to the good offices of the Cromwell family, for he was acting as attorney for Sir Robert Cromwell in 1433 and he witnesses the will of Ralph, lord Cromwell, the Treasurer, 1455. J.P. Kesteven, 25 Mar. 1437 till 20 Dec. 1461; eschr. of Lincs. 1433-4; elector, Lincs., 1442, 1449 (1); pardoned as of Silk-Willoughby, Lincs., gent., July 1446, Nov. 1452, and Dec. 1455;³ on some Lincs. comns. 1457-60, including the Lancastrian array, Dec. 1459.

This same⁴ William Stanlowe was foreign apposer of the estreats and an official of the Exchequer 1439-45.⁵ The original grant of the office was made jointly in survivorship to the King's Serjeants, John Langton and William Stanlowe, 29 May 1439 and was renewed 1443, though Stanlowe's name alone appears throughout on the Issue Rolls. He was exempted as one of the clerks of the Exchequer from all assizes, juries, etc., 1444. Some time in 1445 he was succeeded as foreign apposer by John Croke.

He was pardoned with the other Lancastrian ex-officials, 2 Feb. 1462,⁴ and d. 1466, when John, aged 32, was his s. and h.; lands, Lincs.⁶

STANNEY, JOHN (1435-96); of Chichester; servant of the Bishop; customer; butler; lawyer. M.P. Chichester 1467-8, (? 1470-1), 1472-5, 1478, (? 1483 (1), 1483 (2), 1484, 1485-6, 1487, 1489-90), 1491-2.

In 1460/5 John Stanney and Clemence, his wife, da. of William at Hoone, sued William Rotherfield, husband of Jane sis. of Clemence, for a share of a messuage etc. in Sussex.⁷ In 1468 John Stanney, servant of the bp. of Chichester was admitted to Lincoln's Inn; several fellows were robed in their chambers:—*viz.* Constable, Coket, Stanshore, Stanney—Mich. 1468; Stanney and Stanshore paid 40s. for a new chamber near Jenney's.⁸ Eschr. of the Inn 1469, butler 1470, admitted to repasts Mich. 1472 (when M.P.).⁹ He acquired the manor of West Thorney, Sussex, by fine in 1470.¹⁰ Pardoned, 29 June 1472, of Chichester, gent., *alias* late of London. Elector, Sussex, 1467, 1468; J.P. Sussex, "elder", of the quorum, 7 Dec. 1473 to 10 Nov. 1475, 12 Sept. 1479 till death; J.P. Surrey, 14 Nov. 1485 till death; on comns., Sussex, 1 Aug. 1483, and others to 1490. As he was not on the subsidy comn. Apr. 1483 he was probably M.P. 1483 (Jan.),

¹ Fine Roll, 36 Hen. VI (m.7).

² On 24 Nov. 1456 licence was granted to John Markham, Justice of the Common Pleas, and to William Stanlowe and Jane his wife, etc., to settle lands on the mayor and citizens of Lincoln (Fine Roll, 35 Hen. VI, m.3).

³ As of Silk-Willoughby, *alias* of Lincs., *alias* late eschr., *alias* exr. of the will of Sir Ralph Rochford, knt.

⁴ As of Lincoln, gent., *alias* late eschr. for Henry VI in Lincs., *alias* foreign apposer in the Exchequer, *alias* late farmer of parks and manors of Somerton and Coleby called Northall, Lincs., *alias* exr. of the will of Robert Cromwell (m.36).

⁵ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

⁶ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 449.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 29/58.

⁸ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, pp. 45-6. ⁹ *ibid.* pp. 50-3. ¹⁰ *Sussex Rec. Soc.* xxiii, 276.

especially as he was again admitted to repasts at Lincoln's Inn, at feast of Purification 1483.¹

Henry VII made him deputy Butler in Chichester, Nov. 1485; made him and Thomas Bellingham jointly customers at Chichester in 1486. A feoffee in Bersted and Oving 1493/4, and for Edward Bertelot in Emley, Sussex, 1495.² He was dead by May 1496 since Richard Exton was then elected mayor of the staple of Chichester because John Stanney had died.

STANSHALL (STAUNCIAWE), JOHN (1455-1514); of Reading. Yeoman of the Crown 1485-1514. M.P. Reading 1497.

He heads the pedigree in the Visitation and is shown marrying Jane Dawson of Yateley, Hants; issue, with others,³ John his eldest s. who died s.p.⁴

He was beyond seas with Henry Tudor, and came up with him from Milford Haven to Bosworth.⁵ Wherefore he was made Keeper of Cookham in Windsor forest, 20 Sept. 1485;⁶ bailiff of Wellow, Som., 23 Sept.;⁷ a yeoman of the crown with 6d. a day, 1486;⁸ exempted from resumption 1485-6.⁹ He was a "burgess" of Reading 1497, still so in 1510, but called *mortuus* on the similar list of 1514.¹⁰ Still alive 16 Jan. 1514.³

STANTON (STAUNTON), JOHN (1440-1503); of Somerset; lawyer. M.P. Westbury 1478.

An attorney in Wilts. and Dorset suits, see the plea rolls, 1470, 1480; comnr., apptd. by Parlt., 1496, to appt. collrs. of subsidy for Somerset.¹¹ In 1492 a John Stanton junior had *m.* Alice da. and coh. of William Rowley of Bristol. He was recently dead, 20 July 1503, when a new keeper of Easton Park was apptd., void by the death of John Stanton.¹²

STANTON (STAUNTON), ROBERT (1405-82); of Castle Donington, Leics. Lawyer. M.P. Grimsby 1447; LEICESTERSHIRE 1450-1, 1467-8.

With Roger Legh a feoffee of land in London 1431; on gaol delivery, Stafford, to try John and Roger Legh (*q.v.*), 1439; J.P. Derbyshire, 21 Nov. 1443 to 14 Nov. 1458; on Derbys. comns., 1444 to 1456; J.P. Leics., 29 May 1454 to 1461, and 5 Apr. 1464 till death; on Leics. comns., 1451 to 1473, including the Lancastrian array in Dec. 1459, and several gaol deliveries; an elector, Leics., in 1450 (when elected), 1453 and 1478. He was one of those Lancastrians summoned to the great council, but for county Derby, 16 Apr. 1455; pardoned, 1458;¹³ and as a former Lancastrian, 6 Feb. 1462, and again 1468;¹⁴ in 1463 an apportioner of the subsidy in Leics.;¹⁵ exempted from all further office, Aug. 1468. The Readeption govt. pardoned him again Feb. 1471, as of "Oulep", Leics., gent., *alias* of Castle Donington, Leics., *alias* of Sutton-Donington, Notts.

¹ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, p. 77.

² *Sussex Rec. Soc.* xxiii. 292.

³ Grant to Robert Stanshaw groom of the chamber, of the farm of lands at Kedyngton, Berks., now held by John, father of said Robert—rent, a red rose yearly, 16 Jan. 1514 (*L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 2617 (29)).

⁴ *Visitn. Berks.*

⁵ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 14.

⁶ *ibid.* i. 14.

⁷ *ibid.* i. 44.

⁸ *ibid.* i. 405.

⁹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 381.

¹⁰ Guilding, *Reading Diaries*, i. 119.

¹¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 517.

¹² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1503), 307, 341.

¹³ As "late of Castle Donington, Leics., gent., *alias* esq." (m.42).

¹⁴ Of "Oulep," Leics., esq., *alias* late of Donington, Leics., esq. (m.19).

¹⁵ Apportioners this time were not M.P.s (Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV, m.19).

To judge from his comms. of the Peace he died between 2 Feb. 1482 and 4 Jan. 1483.

STANTON (STAUNTON), THOMAS (1410-82); of Sutton-on-Soar, Notts.¹ Marshall of the Hall 1433-9; Usher of the Chamber and Keeper of the Crossbows 1439-60. M.P. LEICESTERSHIRE 1447.

S. and h. of Thomas Staunton of the same² (d. 1446), by Margaret his first w., da. of Thomas Maperley. M. Elizabeth da. of — Sleaford, and left Thomas and four other sons. His s., Thomas, m. Anne Pourment, and d. 1517.³

He was serving in France, 1430, being esq. of the King's Household; already a marshall of the hall, when he was made riding forester of Dartmoor, 30 July 1433;² (surrendered the forestership, Nov. 1439); sworn to the peace in Notts., as "of Sutton", 1434; being usher of the chamber he was made keeper of Drusselin and Glincothy forest, S. Wales, though already keeper of Melbourne and riding forester of Dartmoor, 4 Mar. 1439; apptd. keeper of crossbows in the Tower, Aug. 1439. He was joined in his offices with Robert Waleys, Oct. 1440.⁴ Sheriff of Notts. and Derbys., 1448-9; an elector of Leics., 1450. As usher of the chamber, he had a grant of a tun of wine yearly, Jan. 1441; was granted, jointly with Robert Twyford, a pension of £18 out of Bolsover, Derbys., Apr. 1442. He was at the coronation of Queen Margaret, as keeper of the cross-bows in the Tower;⁵ pardoned 12 July 1446.⁶ More keeperships and custodies came his way, and were exempted from resumption by the Parlt. of 1449-50; the exemption included also his s., John.⁷ In this Parlt. on 9 Mar. 1450 he was one of the three esquires of the King—Mynours, Stanley and Staunton—to whose safe keeping in a tower in the palace of Westminster the Earl of Suffolk was committed.⁸ His grant of wages as "baillister within the Tower of London" was resumed by Parlt. in 1450, he was therefore granted instead, as "usher of the chamber and ballister", 1s. a day out of the issues of Warw. and Leics., Sept. 1452; and Parlt. in 1455-6 exempted him so far as concerned his office of arbalaster of the Tower, with this 1s. a day; pardoned 4 Feb. 1458, "of Sutton-on-Sore". In Jan. 1461, while still usher of the chamber, he was granted the office of tronage and pesage in Southampton.

Pardoned as a Lancastrian, 8 Feb. 1462, took no further part in politics, and d. Aug. 1482.⁹

STAPENHILL, WILLIAM (1450-1503); of Clifton Dartmouth Hardness; customer. M.P. Dartmouth 1491-2.

S. of that John Stapenhill who captured Sir Baldwin Fulford and got a 40 mark pension from Fulford's lands as reward.¹⁰ Eschr., Devon and Cornwall, 1477-8; pardoned, 22 May 1484, as "of Clifton, Dartmouth, Hardness, gent.—late customer

¹ He is not the Thomas Staunton of Staunton Harald, Leics., the retainer of Lord Hastings.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1433), 272.

³ Staunton MSS. in the Birmingham Library, *per* H. M. Cashmore.

⁴ Retained for war service overseas with 3 archers (Fine Roll, 18 Hen. VI. m.19).

⁵ *Enr. Accts.* 361/6.

⁶ As, "son and heir of Thomas Staunton of Sutton-on-Sour, esq., *alias* usher of the chamber" (m.28). ⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. 190. ⁸ *ibid.* v. 182.

⁹ Staunton MSS., *ut supra.* ¹⁰ *Rot. Parl.* v.; Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 200.

there" (m.25), and again, 5 Feb. 1499 (m.41). He was assessed in Dartmouth, 1484; a feoffee there 1490; and mayor thereof 1495-6.¹

D. 1 Nov. 1503, when Thomas, aged 24, s. and h. of William s. of John Stapenhill was his h. Anne his wife had rem. Thomas Elyott esq.; lands, Devon.²

STAPLETON (STAPULTON), Sir BRYAN (1412-66); of Carlton, Yorks., and of Cockerington, Lincs. Constable of Rochester 1443-50. M.P. YORKSHIRE 1437, 1445-6, 1453-4. Lancastrian.

Born at Carlton, 13 Nov. 1412;³ s. and h. of Sir Bryan Stapleton of the same, M.P. Yorks. 1416. He proved his age and had entry 1434;⁴ in ward as a minor to John, duke of Bedford, whose will he witnessed at Rouen, Sept. 1435. He m. 1451 Isabel da. and coh. of Sir Thomas Rempston of Rempstone, Notts. (d. 1458).

In June 1435 William Calthorpe (q.v.) and Bryan Stapleton esq. received the fee farm from the church of Sculthorpe, Norf.⁵ He was kntd. before the end of 1436. Jointly with John Ferriby (q.v.) he had a grant of the manor of Witley, Surrey, Mar. 1441; which grant he surrendered in 1443. For in Feb. 1443, styled King's knight, he was made by Sir James Fiennes (q.v.), constable of Rochester. Pardoned 1446 as of Carlton, Yorks., and again 1455. As King's knight he obtained exemption from all office, Feb. 1449, being made soon after sheriff of Lincs. In Dec. 1450 he was pardoned his fine of £10 for not appearing at the exchqr. to render his accounts as sheriff. In 1452 he and his father-in-law were ordered to seize out of sanctuary at Westminster the young duke of Exeter.⁶ On Yorks. comms. to 1451; and on Lincs. comms. in Nov. 1460 and 1461. Sheriff, Lincs., 26 Feb. to 3 Dec. 1450, and 1464-5. Though a Lancastrian he came safely through the revolution, and obtained a pardon with the others in May 1462.⁷

D. 7 Sept. 1466, when Bryan, aged 12, was his s. and h.⁸

STAPLETON, Sir MILES (1407-66); of Ingham, Norfolk; soldier. M.P. SUFFOLK 1439-40; NORFOLK 1442, 1449-50, 1450-1.

S. and h. of Sir Brian Stapleton of the same M.P. (d. 1438) by Cecily, da. of William, lord Bardolf; m. (1) Elizabeth, da. of Sir Simon Felbridge, K.G., she d. without issue, and (2) 1438 Catharine da. and h. of Sir Thomas de la Pole of Grafton Regis, a yr. s. of the second earl of Suffolk, which explains Stapleton's alliance with the Suffolk earls. Catharine rem. Richard Harcourt of Witham (q.v.) and d. 1488, leaving two das. and cohs. by Stapleton, Elizabeth (b. 1441), who m. Sir William Calthorp (and others), and Jane (b. 1444), who m. Christopher Harcourt and Sir John Hudleston M.P. (q.v.).

He witnessed a Norfolk deed in 1431; an elector, Norfolk, 1432, 1433, and in

¹ Watkin, *Dartmouth*, 157, 186.

² *Inq. p.m.*, C. 139, 67, 59.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 2.

⁴ *Privy Coun. Proc.* v. pp. lvi and 218.

⁵ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 771, 776.

⁶ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1434), 274.

⁷ Pardon Roll, May 1462—late sheriff of Lincs., *alias* late of Carlton by Snaythe, *alias* of Cokerington, Lincs.; the same Pardon Roll includes his wife, Isabel, da. and coh. of Sir Thomas Rempston, decd. (m.28 & m.22).

⁸ He must not be confused with Bryan Stapleton of Waxham, Norf., nor with any Stapleton of Ingham—Miles or Bryan. A Yorkshire suit concerning Cotherston and Bedale, dat. Easter 1470, and printed in the *Geneal. N.S.* xix. 161, gives a whole pedigree and shows the connection with these Stapletons of Ingham, distant cousins. Arms of Stapleton of Carlton were:—silver, a black lion.

Suffolk, 1435; and accounts for land at Yarmouth 1434-41.¹ Eschr., Suff. and Norf., 1437-8;² sheriff 1439-40 (apptd. while M.P.); J.P. Suffolk, 4 Oct. 1438 to 12 Aug. 1442; kntd. 1444/5; J.P. Norfolk, 20 July 1445 till death; frequently on comns. Norfolk and Suffolk, 1440 to Oct. 1461. One of those captains comsmd. for the safe keeping of the seas from Easter 1442.³ He seems to have been in France from 1442 to 1445, for musters are taken of his men;⁴ pardoned 1446.⁵ In 1450 William Wayte writes to John Paston:—"Labour ye for to be Knight of the Shire and speke to my Maester Stapulton also that ye be it," but Stapleton was elected himself. He was suggested as a suitable sheriff for Norfolk and Suffolk in 1450 as likely to keep the peace, but in 1452 Paston brackets him with lord Scales, Tudenham and Heydon as doing "grettest ryots, orryble wrongs." Pardoned Feb. 1458; elector, Norf., 1459; apptd. on a Lancastrian comn. to arrest Warwick's followers, Feb. 1460. But he soon reconciled himself with the new dynasty as well—to the Pastons' great annoyance. In July 1461 they say he accused John Berney (*q.v.*) of murdering Thomas Denys (*q.v.*), and John Paston calls him "that knavish knight."⁶ He was pardoned again in Feb. 1463, as of Ingham, Norfolk, knt.; apptd. to apportion the subsidy 1463.⁷

D. 30 Sept. 1466.⁸

STARGRAVE, RICHARD (1425-75); of Winchester, gent. Servant of the Household 1459-60. M.P. Bramber 1459; Steyning 1467-8. Lancastrian.

A comnr. in Hants, 5 June 1460; to be arrested by John and Thomas Rogers, 2 Jan. 1461. In 1461/5 Richard Curteys sued Richard Stargrave "of the late King Henry's household" *re* a false plaint of debt to recover rent which Curteys had paid to Robert Cricklade under a lease from said Robert and Robert's father.⁹ As "of Winchester, gent.", he was bound in £5 to William York, cit. of London, 11 Nov. 1467.¹⁰

STATHAM, NICHOLAS (1425-72); of London; lawyer. M.P. Old Sarum 1467-8; somewhere 1470-1.

Third son of John Statham of Morley, Derbys., by Cecily (*d.* 1443) da. of Richard Cornwall, "baron" of Burford; *m.* Anne Shelley of Kent.

He was one of the "felishippe" of Lincoln's Inn at Christmas 1449, and paid in 1454 40s. for his chamber together with another little chamber annexed to the same.¹¹ Pensioner of Lincoln's Inn, 1445-6; governor, 1456-7, 1460-2, 1463-4, 1470-1. J.P. Derbys., of the quorum, 14 Nov. 1458 till death. On Derbys. comns. 21 Dec. 1459, 1462, 1463, 1468, Oct. 1470. A feoffee of land in Mdsx. 1465. On 30 Oct. 1467, while M.P., he was granted the reversion of the office of second Baron of the Exchequer on the death of John Clerk.¹² Exor. in 1468, of the will of John Heron of Sawbridgeworth. Pardoned, 29 Aug. 1468, "late of

¹ *Err. Accts.* F. 18 Hen. VI. F.

² He was attached to render his accounts as eschr., Feb. 1439 (Mem. L.T.R.).

³ The others were Sir William Eure and John Heron (Issue Roll, No. 745).

⁴ *Exchg. Accts.* 54/3.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1446, as knt., s. and h. of Brian Stapleton, knt., *alias* late sheriff, *alias* late eschr.

⁶ *Paston Letters*, ii. 28.

⁷ Fine Roll, 3 Edward IV (m.18).

⁸ *Geneal. N.S.* xix. 161, gives the whole pedigree of these Stapletons.

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/380.

¹⁰ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 287.

¹¹ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, pp. 24, 26.

¹² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1467), 38.

London" (m.34). Lent reader 1471-2. Statham, Fogge, and Nottingham were the justices appointed to try the rebels of Kent in July 1471.

D. 1472; will, dat. 15 July, pr. 5 Aug. 1472:—Refers to father John, mother Cecill da. of Richard Cornwall. "Item I received 10s. of Bemont (Beaumont), a worshipful squire of the West Country by the hands of Page (q.v.) in the last Parliament (1470-1). I did nothing there for; and if I did it yet it is against my conscience for so much as I was one of the Parliament, I will he have it again." Refers to Elizabeth, widow of John Heron and w. of David Malpas (q.v.). Wife Anne exix.¹ "Marion" Statham, widow, bound herself to pay £40 to the use of Anne da. of Nicholas Statham on her marriage or majority.²

He was the author of the earliest known abridgement of the law, printed by R. Pynson, 1495. *Epitome Annualium Liberatorum, temp. Hen. VI.*³

STAUNTON see STANTON.

STAVELEY, WILLIAM (1430-98); of Broughton by Aylesbury; lawyer. M.P. Helston 1467-8.

In Dec. 1460 William Staveley, having served for 15 years at Calais, petitioned for a grant from the tax on aliens; he had been wounded many times, and "now late time was upon the sea with my lord of Warwick when he fought with the Spaniards, and there was hurt with a gun and likely thereof to be maimed for fault of help and succour";⁴ this was granted in Dec. 1461,⁵ or perhaps what was given him was the custody of Langley park, Herts., which he was granted 1 May 1461. But in Feb. 1462 he had also a £10 pension out of Essex and Herts. John Stokes and he were made joint parkers of Beckley, Oxon., 20 June 1465; and this "King's servitor" continued to obtain grants. By Aug. 1468 he was seised of Broughton by Aylesbury, bought perhaps from Sir Thomas Tresham.⁶ Pardoned, 6 Apr. 1470, as "esq. of Bylton, Yorks., and Bignell (Bigginhill), Oxon." (m.5). Apptd. by Warwick with William Spencer M.P. and another, to take men and stuff for the King's works at Woodstock, 4 Mar. 1471.⁷

Staveley obtained Midgham manor, Berks., and Bignell in some way from John Stokes (q.v.) and Alice his wife who both died s.p. He settled it in 1478/9 on himself and Alice his wife, remainder in tail to sons William and John and das. Mary and Isabel.⁸ After 1470-1 Staveley was no longer "King's servant" but "Master" William Staveley when a feoffee in Mdsx.⁹ However he retained his grant of Dec. 1461 which was merely changed, 21 Aug. 1484, into a joint grant to him and his son Richard.

D. 10 Oct. 1498; when George, aged 24, was his s. and h. Lands, Oxon. His wife Alice survived him and afterwards m. Humphrey Coningsby, Serjt.-at-law, and d. in 1500 seised of Broughton, Bucks.¹⁰ It is the *V.C.H.* which says that he d. 1498;⁸ but there are too many eldest sons here, and our William may have

¹ P.C.C., 7 Wattys; *Bulletin Inst. of H.R.* iii. pp. 47-50.

² *Letter Book L.* p. 113.

³ S. P. H. Statham, *Descent of the Family of Statham.*

⁴ Signed Bills, file 1477, No. 6640.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1461), pp. 61, 464.

⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 214.

⁷ During the Readeption of Henry VI, Robert Laurence of Wraysbury, Bucks., and John Goddeston of Reynham, Essex, gent., were manucaptors for William Staveley to whom the keeping of the manor of Wraysbury, Bucks., was committed (Fine Roll, 49 Hen. VI, m.2). ⁸ *V.C.H. Berks.*, iii, 322. ⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 32/182. ¹⁰ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, No. 388.

died 1480/4 and the William who died 1498 may be his eldest son, likewise of Broughton.

STEBBING, NICHOLAS (1400-69); ald. of Dartmouth; merchant; customer, 1439-50. M.P. Dartmouth 1432, 1442, 1449 (1), 1453-4, 1455-6.

Probably s. and h. of John Stebbing and Christine. He occurs in the town records 1428 onwards; bailiff 1429-30; churchwarden 1432-3; elector, Devon, 1435; mayor 1435-7, 1452-3; pardoned 1437;¹ collector of customs and subsidy in the ports of Exeter and Dartmouth, 3 Mar. 1439; paid for discharging the expenses of shipping John, earl of Somerset, and his retinue overseas, Feb. 1440.² In Nov. 1440 Henry Russell (*q.v.*) temporarily succeeded Stebbing as controller of customs at Dartmouth, but Stebbing again held the office 1445-54.³ In 1444 Piers Stephan, merchant, sued him as late mayor of Dartmouth for a false return to a writ to attach John Brusshford (*q.v.*) for wines taken at sea.⁴ He appears on many Devon and Cornwall comms. 1435 to 1458; pardoned 1446,⁵ 1455 and 1458;⁶ deputy butler in the port of Exeter, May 1458, renewed 1459. Called "the elder", he was one of the first two made aldermen of Dartmouth in 1461.⁷

Dead by Aug. 1469, when his will was pr. as of Dartmouth, the elder.⁸ In 1476 Jane, widow of Nicholas Stebbing, granted to Thomas Symond and Catherine his wife her pallisaded place and garden in Southtown, Dartmouth.⁹

STEERE (STER), JOHN (1410-70); ald. of Bath. M.P. Bath 1453-4.

As citizen of Bath he witnessed deeds, May and June 1452; as proctor in June 1454; as mayor, Jan. 1468; as alderman in June 1468.¹⁰ He may also be the Chippenham man, sworn to the peace in Wilts. 1434.

STEPHENS (STEVEN), ROBERT (1405-60); of Dartmouth, shipowner. M.P. Dartmouth 1447.

In July 1434 Robert Stephen, merchant of Exeter, having acquired pirated goods and refused to restore them, was put under arrest; but in spite of Sir Nicholas Carew he was forcibly released by the mayor and principal citizens of Exeter; perhaps naturally, he was not sworn to the peace in May 1434. With other ship-owners, both of Devon and Brittany, he sued Thomas Rede of Newport, I. of W.,

¹ "Of Dartmouth, *alias* late of Southtown" (m.21); but cancelled and rewritten:—"gent., *alias* of Dartmouth, merchant, *alias* of Herts., gent." (m.26).

² Issue Rolls, 18 Hen. VI.

³ So, from the Issue Rolls; but he may have remained customer till 1458, see the 1458 Pardon Roll.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 17/332.

⁵ "Of Dartmouth, gent., collector of Customs of Exeter and Dartmouth" (m.8).

⁶ 1455, "of Dartmouth, merchant, late mayor, late collector of Customs"; and 1458, "of Dartmouth, merchant, customer of the great and little customs of Dartmouth" (m.1).

⁷ Watkin, *Dartmouth*, p. 185.

⁸ To feoffees, Otes Gilbert, Wm. Fowell, Thos. Gale, Wm. Stebbing and others all land etc. in Dartmouth and Great Totnes as settled in 1464. To w. Jane, houses in Dartmouth, reversion to the feoffees, burgesses of the town, for ever, to find prayers for . . . John Stebbing and Cristina his wife, Nich. Stebbing the elder and Agnes and Jane his wives, John, Thomas, Walter, Nicholas the younger, and Wm. Stebbing and Jane and Mabel his wives. To Nich. Stebbing, if alive, tenements at "Hardenasse", and St. John's house with "as much towards the sea as he can recover," and lands and messuages in Gt. Totnes; grandson William Stebbing tenements in Pynneslane; w. Jane the brewery and tenements, reversion to s. Nich. if alive (Watkin, *Dartmouth Records*, p. 144).

⁹ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* V. (Dartmouth), p. 603.

¹⁰ *Bath Corpn. Deeds*, pp. 39, 61, 66, 105, 123.

for the seizure of their ship, *The Michael of Dartmouth*, outside Plymouth, by the barge *Palm* of Fowey;¹ on a Dartmouth comn. for pressing ships in 1441; churchwarden of Dartmouth 1439; bailiff 1440-1; mayor 1445-6.² In June 1451 his ship, *Le Mayant Weston*, was seized to transport troops to France, and Stephens was paid £30 for demurrage out of the customs. He occurs in Dartmouth till 1455, and was dead in 1464.³

STEPHENS, THOMAS (1390-1453); of Gloucester, mercer. Customer.

M.P. Gloucester boro' 1420, 1422, 1423, 1427, 1431, 1432, 1442.

Apptd. controller of customs in Bristol, 1433, and again 1441; pardoned in 1437, as Thomas Stephens, late of Gloucester, mercer, *alias* gent.; a comn. was apptd. on 25 Nov. 1439 to enquire into the allegation that Thomas Stephens broke the seals affixed to certain forfeited goods in Bristol. This may account for a temporary suspension of his office as controller of customs. In 1455 the late Thomas Stephens had property in the Mercery, by the North Gates, and in Travel Lane.³

STEPHENS (STEVENS), THOMAS (1435-85); of Ludlow. M.P. Ludlow 1478.

Bailiff of Ludlow 1465, 1476.⁴

STEPHENS (STEPHEN), WILLIAM (1420-75); of London and Winterbourne-stoke, Wilts.; ? lawyer. M.P. Wilton 1467-8.

Pardoned 1458 as "Stevyns of London, gent., *alias* of Winterbourne-stoke, Wilts., yeoman" (m.16). On a Yorkist comn. in Bucks., 1461; had grant of Alton, Hants, forfeited by lord Beaumont, 1462; exempted 1464 and 1467; guarantor for lord Hastings, as Master of the Mint, in 1464, 1467, 1472, when he is called "of London, gent.". A comn. for his arrest in Devon was issued 26 Nov. 1468, but this may be another Wm. Stephens.

STEPHENS, WILLIAM (1420-80); of Comberton, Worcs. M.P. Worcester city 1467-8.

S. of — Stephens by Margaret da. of John Eode.⁵ He acted as deputy for the under-sheriff Thomas Hugford (*q.v.*) at the elections in Jan. 1449;⁶ escheator, Worcs., 1457-8; and of Warw. and Leics., 1465-6.

Dead by 1480/3.⁵ Pardon, 16 Dec. 1485, to "William Dalton of Leicester, merchant, exor. of the will of William Stevens esq., late eschr. for Edward IV in Warw. and Leics." (m.9).

STEYNOUR, WILLIAM (1425-60); of Riseley, Beds.; Grey of Ruthyn's servant. M.P. Dorchester 1453-4.

The retainers of Edward, lord Grey of Ruthyn, slew William Tresham the Speaker at Thorpland, N'hants., on his way to join the duke of York, 1450. Tresham's widow, appealing to the Parlt. of 1450, named Steynour of Riseley, Beds., as one of Tresham's murders.⁷ No action was taken; Steynour was

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/234.

² Watkin, *Dartmouth Records*, *passim*.

³ *Rental of all the Houses in Gloucester*, 1455, by R. Cole, Gloucester (1890), pp. 32, 66, 88, etc.

⁴ H. T. Weyman, *Salop M.P.s.*

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 34/43.

⁶ Returns, 27 Hen. VI.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. 212.

pardoned, 20 June 1452, as of Yardley, N'hants., and of Riseley, Beds. ;¹ then he was elected to the Lancastrian Parlt. 1453, for Dorchester, the control of that boro' being generally in the hands of the Exchequer. Later, in May 1458, Steynour, with Grey of Ruthyn and William Hartshorn (*q.v.*) was commissioned to arrest Yorkists. As he occurs no more, here at least is one man who may have fallen in the wars, but Grey of Ruthyn himself changed sides safely during the battle of Northampton.

STIDOLF, THOMAS (1440-90); of Badsell, Kent;² lawyer. M.P. Arundel 1467-8, (? 1470-1), 1472-5; Horsham 1478.

S. of Henry Stidolf of the same (*d.* 1474).³

He was an officer under Elrington, Treasurer of the Household, in Sept. 1473;⁴ J.P. Sussex, of the quorum, 28 Nov. 1476 to 26 June 1483; on Thames comns. 1476-8; Justice in Eyre in the Queen's forests, July 1477; comnr. of sewers, Isle of Ely, 1480; Thomas Stidolf and his fellows were "justices to deliver Chichester gaol" 1479.⁵ £10 yearly out of Devon and Stafford town was granted in 1481 to Isabel wife of Thomas Stidolf, servt. of Queen Elizabeth, late nurse of Princess Cecily. In Jan. 1485 he was a surviving feoffee of Denton, Kent, for Queen Elizabeth's cousin Richard Haute (*q.v.*).⁶ Died soon after, and his s. Henry had a da. and h. Agnes, who *m.* Richard Fane or Vane, ancestor of the earls of Westmorland, etc., and passed Badsell in Tudeley, Kent, to that family.⁷

STILE (STYLE), JOHN (1410-65); of Lynn, merchant. M.P. Lynn 1447.

John Style and Hugh Dene were witnesses together in London, 1432;⁸ in 1436 Dene, Shadd, and Style, the owners, had licence to fit out and arm the *Antony of London*. Admitted freeman of Lynn, 1438/9, he was an alderman in 1440. It may be he who was owed money by a man of Southampton in 1446. The pardon roll of 1452 includes him as "burgess of Lynn", and the roll of 1455 as "of Lynn, merchant" (m.27). In 1451 John Hayward of Bishop's Lynn sued John Stile, as a feoffee to uses, for a tenement in Lynn.⁹ It may be that he moved to Norwich, and is the John Stile, citizen and vintner of Norwich, who was owed 40s. in 1465.

STILE, (Sir) JOHN (1470-1520); of Plymouth. Gent. Usher of Chamber and ambassador 1509-20. M.P. Plymouth 1504.

Probably s. of John Stile, mercer of London and customer of Plymouth (? *d.* 1504).¹⁰

Apptd. collr. of tonnage and poundage in Plymouth and Fowey, 24 Sept., and customer of wool and pells there, 8 Dec. 1502;¹¹ he was paid 26s. 8*d.* for his attendance in Parliament; with Thomas Eliot, he was customer of St. Ives and Padstow, Corn., in 1509;¹² sent as ambassador to the court of Aragon, Apr. 1509;¹³

¹ Pardon Roll, 1452 (m.28).

² This little moated house still remains, not far from the railway station at Paddock Wood (*Ancestor*. xii. 6).

³ *Sussex Arch. Colls.* ii. 231. ⁴ *Staffs. Colls.* VI. ii. 238. ⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1479), 166.

⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 471; the Hautes and Vanes intermarried.

⁷ *Geneal. N.S.* xiii. 83. ⁸ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1432), 313. ⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 18/97.

¹⁰ Fine Roll (26 Nov. 1504), 20 Hen. VII (m.1). ¹¹ Fine Roll, 18 Hen. VII (m.11, m.12).

¹² *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 438 (4 m.10).

¹³ *ibid.* i. 6, 162, etc.

and writes to the King from Valladolid, 9 Sept. 1509—"my wife and childer, the whyche lyve porely in your towne of Plymouthe," and have not enough to maintain their household. He had 5s. a day for his expenses;¹ was still in Aragon in Jan. 1510, but by Jan. 1512 he was at home—a gent. usher of the Chamber, issued with a black velvet gown;² with Elizabeth his wife, the gent. usher was granted a pension of 40 marks out of the customs of Plymouth and Fowey, 18 Jan. 1512.³ By Apr. 1512 he was back in Aragon, and from July to Sept. with Howard's army at Fontarabia.⁴ He continually reports to the King or to the bp. of Durham. Early in Mar. 1513 he was joined by Dr. Knight, who had sent Stile's son-in-law to Cardinal Wolsey from Sebastian in Oct. 1512.⁵ They were together at Valladolid, Medina del Campo, and Madrid. Knight was recalled, 29 June 1513,⁶ and Stile remained on at Valladolid, where he was "solicitor in the King's causes", 2 June 1514—with £100 a year for expenses and £5 "reward".⁷ But he was at home, still gent. usher, in Nov. 1515, when the 40 marks pension out of Plymouth and Fowey was regranted in survivorship to himself and Elizabeth his wife.⁸ Kntd. between 29 Nov. 1515 and 18 Oct. 1518, when Sir John Stile was made contr. of coinage of tin in Cornwall and Devon, and keeper of the gaol at Lostwithiel, 18 Oct. 1518.⁹

STILE, WILLIAM (1420-70); of Chichester. M.P. Chichester 1467-8.

Kent elector 1442. In 1452 Alexander Clifford enfeoffed Sampson Style of Middleton, Sussex, and ðrs with the manor of Shorne, Kent.¹⁰ In 1457/60 William Stile and Agnes his wife, late wife of Henry Wyndover of Chichester sued Wyndover's feoffees for land in Addington, Suffolk.¹¹ Bailiff of Chichester ante 1461, for in 1460/5 a priest of Chichester sued Stile, late bailiff, for alleged extortion under a bond of surety.¹²

STILER (STYLER), WALTER; of Rusper, Sussex. M.P. Horsham 1447.

Walter Styler gent., Thomas Styler gent., Thomas Styler the younger gent., and others of Rusper, Sussex, were pardoned for being out with Cade in May 1450. This does not mean that they ever were really in rebellion.

STILMAN, ANTHONY (1470-1540); of Steeple Aston, Wilts., gent.; lawyer. M.P. Westbury 1491-2.

S. of Robert Stilman of Steeple Aston; *m.* Katherine da. of Edmund Liversedge of Vallis, Som.; issue, Richard, William, Robert.¹³

Admtd. to Lincoln's Inn, 24 Feb. 1491; eschr. of the Inn 1492-3, and remained practising in London till 1500¹⁴ when the abbess of Romsey, Hants, granted him land at Steeple Aston.¹⁵ J.P. Wilts., 26 June 1502 till death; on gaol delivery at Salisbury and at Fisherton 1504-30; subsidy comnr. Wilts., 1504; exor. of will of Robert Tocotes (*q.v.*); pardoned, as of Devizes, 1510; eschr., Hants and Wilts. 1517-18, 1526-7;¹⁶ one of the arbitrators in the mayoral electoral strife at Devizes, 1513;¹⁷ steward of Lincoln's Inn, 1520-1.

D., to judge from his J.P. ships, 1538/41.

¹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. p. 88. ² *ibid.* i. 1028. ³ *ibid.* ii. 1044, 17. ⁴ *ibid.* i. 6, 162.

⁵ *ibid.* i. 1422. ⁶ *ibid.* i. 2037. ⁷ *ibid.* i. 2966. ⁸ *ibid.* i. ⁹ *ibid.* i.

¹⁰ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. 427. ¹¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/440.

¹² *ibid.* 29/59. ¹³ Harl. MSS. 1443; *Brit. Mus.*

¹⁴ Clopton was assigned to Stilman's chamber in Lincoln's Inn, 1500/1 (*Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, 96, 122). ¹⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1500), 201.

¹⁶ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, xxi. ii. 423; P.R.O. List of Escheators. ¹⁷ *ibid.* i. 2293.

STIROPP, WILLIAM (1400-50); of Chippenham. M.P. Chippenham 1432, 1433, 1435, 1437, (? 1439-40), 1442, (? 1445-6), 1447, 1449 (1).

Perhaps a Hungerford candidate. A witness to Hungerford transactions at East Harnham and Homington. Probably not a Wiltshire man.¹

STOCKTON (STOCTON), THOMAS; of York. M.P. York city 1491-2.

This name is transcribed "Stotton" on the list. No such name occurs, certainly not in northern counties. But "c" and "t" are written so alike in 15th century script that the name may easily be Stocton not Stotton; see *William Stokton* M.P. and mayor of York.

Mayor of York in 1492.²

STOCKTON (STOKTON), WILLIAM (1400-71); ald. of York, mercer;³ of the staple of Hull. M.P. York city 1447.

M. (1) Alice, widow of Roger de Selby, spicer (bro. of William Selby, 1st mayor of York); (2) Isabel, widow of ald. Robert Collinson.⁴

Made free of York city, 1420; entered *Corpus Christi* Guild, 1433; chamberlain, 1434; alderman, 1442; mayor, 1446 and 1461;⁴ an elector 1435, 1453 and in 1460 (then styled alderman); on Yorks. comms. 1448 and 1461; one of a comm. to arrange a commercial treaty with Flanders, July 1449. He was continually lending money to the crown—1450-56—and obtaining in return licences to ship wool from Hull; pardoned, 15 Oct. 1462, as of York, merchant, *alias* merchant of the staple of Calais, *alias* alderman (m.29).

D. intestate, 1471; administration of the estate of William Stockton, mercer of York, was granted, 20 Nov. 1471.³ He was bur. at All Saints, North Street.⁴

STODART, HUGH (1410-65); of Leominster. M.P. Leominster 1459. An elector of Leominster 1442, 1447 and *William* Stodart also in 1447.

STOUGHTON see STOUGHTON.

STOKES (STOKKE), JOHN (1410-76); of Bignell in Bicester, Oxon. Of the Household 1445-55; parker of Beckley 1461-76. M.P. Wallingford⁵ 1442, 1447; East Grinstead 1449 (1); Midhurst 1449-50; OXFORDSHIRE 1460-1; BERKSHIRE 1461-2 and (? 1470-1). Yorkist.

In Sept. 1440 there was a grant to John Stokes, son of the King's esquire John Stokes, of lands in Warmington, N'hants.⁶ This son of the King's squire may well be the serjeant porter of the gate, and a serjeant porter is the most likely person to be eschr. and sheriff, to have had a grant of Beckley park, to have been elected

¹ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

² *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

³ *Test. Ebor.* iv. 173.

⁴ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

⁵ There is no doubt about the identity of the Stokes, Member for Oxon. and Berks., but the Wallingford and Sussex Stokes can only be guessed to be the same. In Sussex there is no contemporary John Stokes; but the lands mentioned in the *Inq. p.m.* of Alice widow of John Stokes, besides Bigginhill and Kirtlington in Oxon., include lands in Berks. held of the Honor of Wallingford; by 1442 John Stokes was already a royal servant, probably already serjeant porter of the gate, and Wallingford was, more frequently than any other boro', represented by royal servants.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1440.

for Wallingford, and to fill all the other seats in Parlt.¹ Therefore, probably son of John Stokes, King's squire and master in Chancery 1442-9—perhaps of Twyford, Berks., by Isabel widow of Roger Giffard.²

Sworn to the peace in Berks., 1434;³ apptd. gauger in the port of London, 1434;⁴ had acquired the manor of Midgham, Berks., and probably Bignell also, with Alice his wife, whom he had *m.* by 1437 (both being dead without issue in 1479).⁵ Sheriff, 1440-1, of Oxon. and Berks. £10, due to the crown by John Nanfan (*q.v.*), was granted to the King's squire, John Stokes, serjeant porter of the gate, Jan. 1445; pardoned 1446 as "of Bigginhill, Oxon. gent." (*m.* 46). Exempted from resumption, 1449-50, as regards his office of serjeant porter;⁶ elector, Berks., 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1453 and 1466; on comns., Berks. and Oxon., 1452 to 1464; J.P. Oxon., 5 July 1455 to 20 Nov. 1458, 17 Aug. 1460 to 12 July 1470, 14 Nov. 1470 to 1471, during the Readeption of Henry VI; pardoned 1455.⁷ That he was added to the bench in Aug. 1460 and returned for Oxon. in Sept. shows that he was then of the Yorkist faction, and on 13 Mar. 1461 he had a grant for life of the office of parker of Beckley, Oxon., which he had been granted originally by Richard, duke of York.

He victualled a fleet against the King's enemies, July 1461; eschr. Oxon. and Berks., 1461-4, and pardoned all arrears of account. The pardon roll of Feb. 1462, which included all late Lancastrian officials, describes John Stokes of Bigginhill, as "*alias* late sheriff of Oxon. and Berks.", though it was long ago in 1440. Jointly with Alice his wife he obtained a confirmation of a weekly market at his manor of Bignell, July 1463; was joined in his parkership of Beckley by William Stavely (*q.v.*), 1465; exempted from all offices against his will, May 1468; though when Warwick and the Lancastrians came back in Oct. 1470 Stokes appears on all the Lancastrian comns. Very probably he sat in the 1470-1 Parlt. for he was pardoned on 28 Feb. 1471 as "late of London, gent."

D. 1476,⁸ holding lands at Kirtlington, Oxon. The inq. *p.m.* of his widow Alice, was held in 1479.

STOKES (STOKKYS), THOMAS (1390-1450); of Derby. M.P. Derby boro' 1421 (1), 1431, 1435, 1437 and 1442.

Sworn to the peace in Derbyshire, 1434; elector and burgess of Derby 1449 (1), 1449 (2).⁹

STOKES, THOMAS (1430-87); of Calais and London; lawyer. Teller of the Exchequer 1485-7. M.P. Gatton 1467-8.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Stok who had a house in Westminster palace, 1449-63. If so, educated at Eton and admtd. to King's college, Cambridge, 1447. He is not

¹ In any case, Master J. Stokes, ambassador to Bavaria, Burgundy and the Hanse in 1435-40, and Master John Stokes, exor. of the will of Sir John Falstaff in 1459, Judge of the Court of Probate of the Archbp. of Canterbury, is not the man; nor is he John Stokes, grocer of London 1476; nor is he John Stokes of Brimpton, Berks., born 1399, son of William Stokes of the same. ² *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 107.

³ Four John Stokes were sworn to the peace in 1434; in Oxon., in Bucks., and in Berks., one called of Brimpton, and another called of Abingdon. ⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* 1434.

⁵ *V.C.H. Berks.* iii. 322; see also Wm. Stavely, M.P.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* v. 192.

⁷ As John Stokes of Bigginhill, Oxon, esq.

⁸ Inq. *p.m.* 16 Ed. IV.

⁹ There were also John Stokes and William Stokes, electors respectively for Derby boro' 1449 (1) and for Derbyshire 1449 (2).

the grocer of London who *d.* 1496, but probably he is the King's servant, teller of the Exchq. of 1485.

Pardoned, 13 July 1468, "of the psh. of St. Mary le Strand, gent., *alias* late of London, *alias* late of Calais" (m.4). He was a teller of the Exchq. when, "for singular affection of the King" he was made attorney for the Duchy of Lancaster in the court of the Exchq., 23 Oct. 1485.¹ This teller of the Exchq. paid himself his fee of £10 by his own hand in May and Nov. 1486, and on 28 May 1487 for the last time.²

Yet it must be he who *d.* in Apr. 1487. Will, dat. 3 Apr., pr. 16 May 1487.³

STOKKE, STOKKYS, see STOKES.

STOKTON see STOCKTON or STOUGHTON.

STONE, EDWARD (1415-65). M.P. Guildford 1453-4.

A pardon was issued, 20 Oct. 1447, to Edward Stone and Alice his wife, executors of Thomas Newton, late serjeant of the cellar, of all Newton's arrears of account. In 1461 Edward Stone, gent., appears as a trustee of lands in a fine at Kingston-on-Thames.⁴ There were also Edward Stones in Dorset 1419-34, and an ironmonger in London 1469-81. But our man probably got his seat as some minor King's Servant or local lawyer from Surrey.

STONE, JOHN (1430-85); of Poole. M.P. Poole 1472-5.

In 1459 £10 was owed to John Stone and Katheryn his wife, of Wilts., *alias* Ketheryn Poole, by a gent., of Hants.⁵ In 1478 he was bailiff of Poole and a party to the indenture on the return.

STONE, JOHN; Customer. M.P. Marlborough 1478.

He cannot be the John Stone, M.P. Poole 1472, bailiff of Poole 1478. On 16 Nov. 1486 a John Stone was apptd., during pleasure, controller of customs in Bridgwater.⁶ Otherwise he has vanished without trace.

STONE, THOMAS (1415-70); of Shrewsbury, merchant stapler. M.P. Shrewsbury 1461-2.

He appears among the 24 burgesses chosen to assist the bailiffs of Shrewsbury in their petition to Parlt. in 1444.⁷ Lent money for the defence of Calais, 1450.⁸ and had licence to ship uncustomed wool in payment. Pardoned, 5 Aug. 1468, "of Shrewsbury, merchant, and of the staple of Calais" (m.34).

STONE (*alias* NORTON), WILLIAM (1405-60); King's Serjeant 1438-47; customer of Southampton 1439-50; of the Exchequer; keeper of Southampton castle 1447-57. M.P. Southampton (? 1445-6),⁹ 1447, 1449 (1), 1449-50.

For good service at sea and in Aquitaine, the King's serjeant William Stone was made provost of Bayonne, 20 Feb. 1438. He was customer of Southampton

¹ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 583.

² *ibid.* i. 403; ii. 143.

³ Thomas Stokes of St. Clement's within the bars of the New Temple, London. To be bur. in Whitefriars, Fleet St., on the south side of the grave of Isabel his w. Bequests to the parish church of Stroud, Glos., and of Turvey, Beds. Bequests to bro. Henry Stokes. His da. Margaret was m. to Richard Goodyer. Exors.:—da. Margaret and Henry Eynesworth, clerk (P.C.C., 2 Milles). See also *Geneal. N.S.* xxiii. 31.

⁴ *Surrey Record Soc.*, Feet of Fines, 193.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1459), 452.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1486), 159.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. 121.

⁸ *ibid.* v. 208.

⁹ He may have sat for Southampton in 1445-6, as he is called late of Westminster in the Pardon Roll of that date.

by Mar. 1439, and apptd. controller of customs there, Aug. 1441, with the right, in Dec. 1442, to buy and sell all manner of merchandise as well of aliens as of denizens; on Southampton comns. 1439 to 1455; pardoned, 12 June 1446, as late of Westminster,¹ yeoman, *alias* Serjeant, *alias* William Norton, usher of the Exchequer (m.31). This must be the same man, for in June 1447 after the rising of Parliament, the King's serjeant, William Stone, was confirmed as controller of customs at Southampton; keeper of Southampton castle, Nov. 1447. His office of controller of customs was exempted from resumption 1449-50, and in Feb. 1450 he was pardoned outlawry for failure to appear in a case of debt. Elector, Southampton, 1453 and 1455; pardoned 1456, as "of Southampton esq., controller of customs" (m.6), without any mention of *alias* or serjeancy. He was, however, still keeper of Southampton castle, which post he surrendered in Nov. 1457.

STONHAM, ROBERT (1396/7-1455); of Rattlesden, Hunts. M.P. HUNTINGDONSHIRE 1421 (2), 1429 (till declared void), 1432, 1435, (not 1437 because sheriff), 1439-40, 1442, 1445-6, 1447, 1449-50, 1450-1, 1453-4.

S. of Robert Stonham of Stonham's manor, Rattlesden, and Stonham-Aspall, Suffolk (*d.* 1397), by Katharine, da. of William Burgate of Burgate, Suffolk; *m.* 1421, Mary (*d.* 1463)² with whom he had Dillington, da. of Sir John Barnack (*d.* 1408), of Saxlingham, Norfolk, and coh. of her bro. who *d.* 1421;³ they left an only child Elizabeth,⁴ who *m.* John Broughton of Broughton, Bucks.

In 1429 his election to Parlt. was declared void on the grounds that he and William Whorton had been improperly elected on 20 Aug. by non-residents of the county; and Sir Nicholas Stukeley and Roger Hunt were sent in their place. Again in 1450 his return was contested by Henry Gimber (*q.v.*), and the contest and petition will be fully dealt with in the Lists volume.

Sheriff of Hunts. and Cambs., 1432-3 and 1436-7; sworn to the peace in Hunts. 1434. In Apr. 1437 Robert Stonham and Mary, his wife, conveyed Haloghton, Leic., to John Broughton and Elizabeth, his wife, da. of Robert and Mary. J.P. Hunts., 18 May 1437 (while sheriff) to 13 Apr. 1446, and 30 Jan. 1450 till death. Comns. in Hunts. 1439 to 1452, including *o. & t.* and gaol delivery. In 1441 he was plaintiff in a fine concerning "Grymbaudesmanoir" in Dillington.⁵

D. shortly before July 1455, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the escheator of Hunts;⁶ buried in Gaynes Chapel, Great Stoughton Church, Hunts. His arms—silver, on a cross sable, 5 escallops gold—are carved in the church.⁷

STONOR, THOMAS (1420-74); of Stonor. M.P. OXFORDSHIRE 1447, 1449-50. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Thomas Stonor of the same, M.P. (1390-1431), by Alice Kirby, who *rem.* Richard Drayton; *m.* Joan of Normandy,⁸ natural da. of John de la Pole, duke of Suffolk, and had issue Sir William Stonor (1450-94) M.P. Oxon.⁹

¹ See note 9 on p. 813.

² *Inq. p.m.*; Elizabeth, w. of John Broughton of Broughton, Bucks., was her heir.

³ Pardon Roll, 4 May 1458, Mary late wife of Robert Stonham, da. and h. of John Barnack knt., *alias* cousin and h. of Henry Noon knt. (m.15).

⁴ *V.C.H. Hunts.* ii. 361.

⁶ Fine Roll, 33 Hen. VI (m.27).

⁵ Hunts. *Feet of Fines*, G. J. Turner, 107.

⁷ *V.C.H. Hunts.* ii. 366.

⁸ In May 1453 Letters of Denization were issued for Joan, wife of Thomas Stonor esq., born in Normandy and dwelling in England from the time of her marriage, *i.e.*, before 1447.

⁹ *Stonor L. and P.* iii.

Sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 1453-4, pardoned as late sheriff, 4 Nov. 1455; elector, Oxon., in 1449 (1); on a few Oxon. comms. 1449 to 1473 (including those of the Readeption government); pardoned 20 Jan. 1458. In the same roll he, Tudenham and others were pardoned as trustees of the lands late of William de la Pole, duke of Suffolk; apportioner of the subsidy in Oxon. 1463;¹ sheriff 1465-6, with a reward of 100 marks out of the issue of his shrievalty; J.P. Oxon., 18 Aug. 1466 till death. After his lapse with the Lancastrians in 1470 he was pardoned, Jan. 1472. In July 1472 he and his son, William, were bound to William Nottingham, the judge, in 10 marks, which binding, however, may have nothing to do with politics.²

D. 23 Apr. 1474, when William, aged 24, was his s. and h.³

STONOR, Sir WILLIAM (1449⁴-94); of Stonor. Knt. of the Body 1488-94. M.P. OXFORDSHIRE 1478, (? 1487).

S. and h. of Thomas Stonor of same, M.P. (1420-74), by Jane illeg. da. of William de la Pole, duke of Suffolk. M. (1) Elizabeth da. of John Croke, ald. of London, and widow of Thomas s. of Richard Rich (*q.v.*); she *d.* 1479; (2) Agnes, widow of a s. of Richard Wydeslade of Devon, and da. of John Winnard of Devon; she *d.* 1481; and (3) Anne, eld. da. and coh. of John Nevill, marquess Montagu, by Jane (Ingoldsthorpe); she *d.* 1486, by whom he had John Stonor *b.* 1483/4.⁵

He and his father were under bond to Sir William Nottingham the judge, 1472. He was surveying Thames 1476, returned knt. of the shire for Oxon. and kntd. 17 Jan. 1478;⁶ J.P. Oxon., 11 Jan. 1478 till 28 June 1483, and 7 Jan. 1486 till death; on comms. Oxon., Mar. 1478 till gaol delivery at Wallingford 1490, including the subsidy comms. of Apr. and Aug. 1483 but none other of Richard's reign. While at Parlt. he sold the "manor called the moote" in St. Margaret's, Westminster, to the abbey of Abingdon (which sounds almost as though he sold Parliament), 18 Feb. 1478.⁷ He also sold beeches and ash trees off his estates;⁸ joined his wife Elizabeth in granting a 4 mark pension out of Horton, Kent, to the King's secy., Mr. Hatcliff, 26 Mar. 1479;⁹ and was made steward of Thame and Dorchester, Oxon., with £6 a year, by the dean of Lincoln, 1479.¹⁰ Queen Elizabeth Wydeville ordered a doe to be delivered to "our trusty wel-beloved Sir William", 1481,¹¹ but he carried the carpet at the coronation of Richard III.¹² After the murder of the Princes he rebelled with Buckingham and headed the rising in Berks. He was attainted;¹³ his lands in Devon and Cornwall were granted to Lord Cobham, his lordship of Horton, Kent, granted to a King's servant; nor did Richard ever attempt to pardon him; perhaps even his mother's pension was stopped, for there is a grant to John Kendale, the King's secy., of £80 a year during the life of Jane mother of Sir William Stonor, rebel.¹⁴ (Or this may be a provision for her.)

Henry VII reversed his attainder;¹⁵ made him sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 12 Sept.

¹ Fine Roll. 3 Edw. IV (m.18). ² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 508.

³ Mandates were sent to Eschs. of Glos., Hants, Kent, Mdsx., Devon, Oxon., Berks. (Fine Roll, 14 Edw. IV, m.18). ⁴ Aged 24 at his father's death, 23 Apr. 1474.

⁵ *Stonor L. and P.*

⁶ Kntd. the day after Parliament met.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 409; observe the origin of Abingdon St.

⁸ *ibid.* vi. p. 168 and p. 430.

⁹ *ibid.* iii. p. 401.

¹⁰ *ibid.* vi. p. 245.

¹¹ *Stonor L. and P.* ii. 128.

¹² Gairdner, *Richard III*, 5.

¹³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 245.

¹⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 454.

¹⁵ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 273.

1485; restored him to the bench; gave him the custody of his son John, heir to the boy's mother Anne Nevill, 11 May 1487; made him a banneret at Stoke, 16 June 1487. He was knt. of the Body by Feb. 1488;¹ was pardoned, 5 July 1489, as "of Stonor, late of London"; sheriff, Devon, 1490-1.

D. 21 May 1494, when John aged 10, was his s. and h.; lands in Kent, Hants, Glos., Oxon., Devon, Somerset and Berks.

STOUGHTON, GILBERT (1465-1516); of Stoughton, Surrey. ? lawyer. M.P. Guildford 1491-2.

Perhaps s. and h. of Thomas Stoughton, the Guildford M.P. (1435-95); m. Marion da. of John Bardsey of London.

Eschr., Surrey, 1491-3; J.P. Surrey, 6 June 1504 till death; comnr. of o. & t., Surrey, 1507-8; gaol delivery, Guildford, 1513, Wallingford, 1515; he was suing out writs *de ingressu* 1508;² pardoned 1509, as of Stoughton, and of Ricote and Northweston, Oxon., son and h. of Thomas and exor. of the will of Ralph Stanton decd.; exor. of the wills of William Cope and of George Manners, lord Roos, 1513—probably a lawyer.

D. 1516; will, dat. 7 Apr., pr. 7 Nov. 1516.³

STOUGHTON (STOKTON), JOHN (1410-65); of Hacconby, Lincs.; alderman of Calais; Yeoman of the Catery 1436-52; customer of Boston, Calais, etc., 1443-63; bailiff of Guisnes 1452-60; spigurnel of the Chancery 1461-5.

M.P. Hastings 1447.

Probably brother⁴ of Thomas Stoughton M.P. (1405-78), purveyor of the Household and s. either of John Stoughton M.P. Guildford, 1419, or of Thomas, mayor of Guildford, 1421.

Stoughton was yeoman of the catery by Nov. 1436, and as clerk of the great catery he was made customer and collector of Calais, Dec. 1437. In 1437, Hacconby, Lincs., being held of the crown, was granted to him—confirmed 1442; controller of customs in the port of Boston, 1443; apptd. serjeant of the great catery, 6 Nov. 1444. As such he was pardoned, 12 Oct. 1446, "*alias* Stokton, *alias* of Haccounby, Lincs., gent." (m.14). Catering for the Household was difficult. They granted him the farm of the subsidy and ulnage on wool in Boston, 17 Dec. 1445;⁵ and he was granted £504 from the customs of Boston as late serjeant of the catery in 1447; pardoned all other arrears of his office, May 1449. He had found office elsewhere, for Queen Margaret writes to certain officers of Richard, duke of York, thanking them for supporting her esquire, John Stoughton and Alice Arnold, his cousin, in their possession of the manor of Clement.⁶ Alice Arnold might be his wife, for Hacconby, Lincs., was settled on John and Alice his wife, in 1443. Colette Arnold of *Hastings* was the mistress of Thomas Stoughton (*q.v.*), who was probably his brother.

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1488), 205.

² *Fine Roll*, 23 Hen. VII (m.5).

³ To be bur. at Beaconsfield, mentions Chalgrove. To Maryon his w., the manor of Stoughton for life. £40 to each of his das. To s. John the manor of Estbury. Exix.:—w. Marion. Supervisors.:—Mr. William Young of Witham, Berks., and William Westbroke of Surrey (P.C.C., 25 Holder).

⁴ See the Arnold-Hastings connection.

⁵ One of his mainpennors was Thomas Vestynden of Hastings—M.P. Hastings 1449, etc. (*Fine Roll*, 24 Hen. VI, m.20).

⁶ *Letters of Queen Margaret*, 145.

In 1450 he was granted letters of protection to stay in Calais—revoked in 1451 because he tarried at Rayleigh, Essex, and again in June 1452 because he tarried at Westminster; he is described as “of the Household, *alias* late of Boston, *alias* of Hacconby, esq.” When he “tarried at Westminster”, he was suffering due process of law. For William Stoughton, yeoman of the catery, obtained a grant of all the goods of John, his bro., now in the King’s service in Calais, 15 July 1452, because John had been prosecuted and outlawed for debt. His outlawry was pardoned in May 1454. He was pardoned by the Yorkists, 12 Nov. 1455, “of Havering atte Bower, Essex, esq., *alias* of Haccunby, *alias* late of the Household, *alias* late of Boston, controller of customs, *alias* of Calais, *alias* late of London” (m.18); but the Pardon roll of 4 Jan. 1458 shows him once more buyer of the Household, *alias* clerk of the accounts of the Household, *alias* of Calais esq. (m.21).

He took part in the arrival of the Yorkists from Calais in June 1460, and was given the office of tronage and pesage in the port of Sandwich, 9 Oct. 1460; Edward IV made him spigurnel of the Chancery, and clothes were issued to him for the post.¹ These posts he must have vacated, for the last heard of him is on the pardon roll, 1 Mar. 1463, when he is once more “of Calais esq., late bailiff of Guisnes, late clerk of the weighhouse of Guisnes, late servant in the office of buyer of the Household of Henry VI, *alias* of Hacconby, Lincs., gent., *alias* burgess and alderman of Calais, *alias* customer and collector of Calais” (m.9).

STOUGHTON (STOGHTON), PIERS (1400–57); of Stoke by Guildford. M.P. Guildford 1447.

Probably brother of John and Thomas and s. either of Thomas Stoughton, of Stoke by Guildford, mayor in 1421, or of John Stoughton, M.P. for Guildford 1419.

In 1457/60 Henry Lowes sued Henry Stoughton, a feoffee of Piers Stoughton, for a messuage and land in Stoke beside Guildford²—so that he was then dead.

STOUGHTON (STOGHTON), THOMAS (1420–78/9); of London, fishmonger; customer of Chichester, Ipswich, London and Sandwich. Purveyor of the Household 1444–76. M.P. Rye 1447, 1449 (1), 1450–1; London 1469; Guildford 1478.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Stoughton of Stoke by Guildford, who was mayor of Guildford in 1421 and sworn to the peace in Surrey, 1434, and bro. of John Stoughton, M.P. (1410–65). *M.* Beatrice, and had Thomas and three other sons.³

Comsnd. to take fish for the Household, Feb. 1444; called King’s serjeant, and King’s purveyor of fish; made King’s bailiff of Hastings, Aug. 1445. This appt. however, was revoked in the following year, because John Tamworth, bailiff of Hastings, showed the King that the barons and men of the Cinque Ports, every three weeks at the Hundred Place, elect a bailiff for the ensuing year, and the judges decided that they had the right. It may be on this account that he was made a freeman of Rye 1448.⁴ He sued the owners and victuallers of a ballinger for the seizure in the Thames, on a ship of Flanders, of salt fish bought in Flanders for

¹ *Exchr. Accts.* 361/6.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/564.

³ Manning & Bray, *Surrey*, i. 171. Because the 1478 Guildford M.P. is not called “junior,” because the senior did not vote in London as before, because he had so often sat in Parlt., we conclude that the M.P. in 1478 was the father and not the son, who, styled “gent.,” was made Ranger of Windsor forest, 8 June 1478. ⁴ L. A. Vidler, *Rye*, 38.

the use of the King's household, 1450/3. In 1452 John Yprys sold Ypres castle and all his lands in Rye, to Thomas Stoughton, fishmonger of London; but Stoughton sold again three years later.¹ One of the two collrs. of custom and subsidy at Chichester, 1451 to 1456.² While Stoughton sat for Rye he evidently took no pay, and lived in London.³ His acquisition of Ypres castle etc. resembles the action of carpet-bagger M.P.s of a later age.

Directly the Yorkists arrived in June 1460, Stoughton was made controller of customs and subsidy in Ipswich, and he was comsnd. to purvey and convey fish for the use of the Household—this comn. was repeated year after year. With other late Lancastrian officials, he was pardoned, 14 Feb. 1462, as "citizen and fishmonger of London, *alias* customer of Chichester, *alias* late customer of Ipswich, *alias* late purveyor of the Household of Henry VI" (m.42). Collecting taxes was as much his vocation as collecting fish. When Edward IV fled in Sept. 1470 Stoughton was one of the Tower garrison of aldermen and commoners to protect Henry VI.⁴ Made controller of customs in the port of London, Mar. 1475; controller of customs in the port of Sandwich, Sept. 1476; a London elector in 1472, a Surrey elector when elected for Guildford, 1478.

D. 1478/80; will of Thomas Stoughton, cit. and fishmonger of London, dat. 31 Oct. 1478, pr. 8 Feb. 1480.⁵

STOUGHTON (STOKTON), WILLIAM (1400-54); of Wycombe and of Bradford, Wilts. Woolman. M.P. Wycombe 1426, 1449-50, 1450-1.

Elector, Wycombe, 1425, 1429, 1431. In 1451 he, together with other merchants of the Staple, had a permit to export uncustomed wool. A feoffee at East Harnham, Wilts., in 1453.⁶ J.P. Berks., 9 Jan. 1454 till death in that year. Will dat. 24 Aug. 1452, pr. 8 Sept. 1454.⁷

STOURTON, Hon. JOHN (1437-1501); cadet of Stourton. M.P. DORSET 1495.

Probably yr. s. of John, lord Stourton (1403-62), by Margaret da. of Sir John Wadham of Marryfield, Som., Just. C.P.; therefore yr. bro. of William, lord Stourton (1430-78), and uncle of John, lord Stourton (1453-85).

J.P., Dorset, 1500 till death. D., to judge from his Comns. of the Peace, 23 Nov. 1501/27 Feb. 1502.

¹ See note 4 on p. 817.

² Issue Rolls, *passim*.

³ Rye Chamberlains' Accts. i. 24.

⁴ City of London Journal, 7, fo. 223d.

⁵ To be bur. as God should dispose. To St. Nicholas Cold Abbey, Old Fish St., for tithes forgotten 40s. Lands etc. in Kent to eld. s. Thomas his h., at St. Katherine's beside the Tower also, with remainder to s. Henry. To s. Henry tenements at Quenehith and place in Old Fish St., and quit rent of 16s. from lands etc. belonging to the convent of Newark beside Guildford. Beq. to wife Beatrice. Da. Sible, Appolyns, and Anneys £10. To Elizabeth da. at Syon £5. To da. Jane a nun at "Decheford", 5 marks. 26s. to Chelsea church. To Colett Arnold of Hastings 5 marks and to Jane "her daughter and myne" at Canterbury. Bro. William Stoughton. Residue to w. Beatrice if she remain unmarried, who was sole exix. Overseers:—John Frowyck, John Revett (P.C.C., 3 Logge).

⁶ *Tropenell Cart.* ii. 197.

⁷ To be bur. in Holy Trinity, Bradford, Wilts. Bequests to the vicar of Wycombe to pray for his soul; to his bro. John and to Katherine John's w., "my sister", to Jane their daughter. Bequests also to Edmund Hampden (q.v.) my sister's s. and to John Hampden her second s. Residue to w. Cecile. Exors.:—his w. and Nicholas Halle. Supervisor, his bro. John Stokton (P.C.C., 1 Stokton).

STOURTON, Hon. Sir WILLIAM (1430-78); of Stourton, Wilts., and Rushton, Dorset. (Lord Stourton 1463.)¹ M.P. DORSET 1447, 1460-1, (? 1461-2). Sumnd. 1463-5, 1467-8, 1470-1, 1472-5. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Sir John, lord Stourton, M.P., Treasurer of the Household (*d.* 1462), by Margaret, da. of Sir John Wadham of Marryfield, Som.; *m.* Margaret, eldest da. and coh. of Sir John Chidiok of Caundle, Dorset.²

Elector, Wilts., 1442 (aged 12) and in 1447 when elected for Dorset; J.P. Dorset, 26 Nov. 1451 till death; on Wilts. comms., Oct. 1450, and in Dorset 1452 to 1466, including the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459; kntd. *c.* 1451; sumnd. to the great council for Dorset, Apr. 1455; and comsmd. to help the Duke of York against the rioters in Devon, Sept. 1455. His father, Sir John, *d.* 25 Nov. 1462, when Sir William's age is recorded in six comms. as 30 and more, and in one as 32; so that he was probably 17 when he sat in the Commons.

Together with Margaret his wife, eldest da. and coh. of John Chidiok, he was pardoned June 1462, as "of Russheton-Velers, Dorset, knt., *alias* of Kirkhill, Dorset" (*m.* 24). Sumnd. to the Lords in Feb. 1463; pardoned, Apr. 1463; J.P. Som. and Wilts., 1466, and J.P. Hants, Apr. 1470. He presided over the court which tried and executed as traitors the "Earl" of Devon and "Lord" Hungerford, Jan. 1469. In spite of the deaths of Courtenay and Hungerford, he was pardoned by the Lancastrians in Oct. 1470; and by Edward IV, Apr. 1472; nor was he removed from the Bench in Dorset, Somerset or Wilts. during the Lancastrian Readeption. The fall of his Courtenay, Hungerford and Bonville rivals, followed soon after by that of the new Stafford earl of Devon, left the Stourtons supreme in the west country.

D. 18 Feb. 1478, when Sir John, aged 24, was his s. and h.

STRANGE, JOHN (1425-67); of Brampton, Suffolk, esq. M.P. Ludgershall 1449-50; Dunwich 1455-6, 1463-5, 1467 till death. Yorkist.

On Suffolk comms. 1452-6; pardoned, as of Brampton, Suffolk, esq., 1458; an elector, Suffolk, 1459. After the arrival of the Yorkists, Margaret Paston notes with pleasure that John Strange is well-disposed towards John Paston;³ and the oppressions of John Strange of Brampton, Suffolk, in that county were important enough to demand a committee of enquiry. Just before his death, Strange wrote to John Paston suggesting a marriage between Margery Paston and Strange's nephew, John Strange. The marriage did not come off, probably because John Strange died, while still M.P., 30 Apr. 1467, when Henry, aged 30, was his bro. and h.; lands—Suffolk.

STRANGE, ROBERT (1435-1501); of Bristol, vintner. M.P. Bristol 1484, 1485-6.

Probably third s. of Strange, mayor of Cirencester; *m.* Elizabeth (*b. c.* 1445) yr. da. of Walter Norton of Bristol;⁴ issue Walter Strange of Monescourt.

Robert Strange was a great merchant of Bristol and had a goodly ship with cargo of spices worth 9,000 marks spoiled by the Genoese in the Mediterranean, 1459.⁵ Bailiff of Bristol 1461; sheriff 1468; mayor 1474, 1482, 1489; pardoned 1468, as vintner; in 1472 as merchant; and on 22 Mar. 1483 as *alias* Straynge.

¹ Arms:—Sable, a bend or between six fountains.

² *Comp. Peer. S-T.* p. 523.

³ *Paston Letters*, ii. 195.

⁴ *Isis*, No. 53; vol. xviii, 2 Oct. 1932, p. 310.

⁵ Williams, *Glos. M.P.s.*

In 1479 one Sombarbe caused Roger Markes to accuse Strange, "who had been mayor", of coining money. For which Strange was imprisoned in the Tower seven weeks. But when the truth was known "his appealer Markes was had to Bristol and there hanged".¹ He was on Bristol gaol deliveries 1487-98; gave land to found St. John's almshouses in 1489.²

D. shortly before 28 Aug. 1501, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Glos.³

STRANGWAYS, Sir JAMES (1415-80); of Harlsey and Whorlton, Yorks. Chief Justice of Durham 1461-71. M.P. YORKSHIRE 1449 (1), 1460-1, 1461-2 (SPEAKER).

S. of Sir James Strangways of Whorlton, Justice of the Common Pleas, by Jane, da. of Nicholas Orell; m. (1) 1431, Elizabeth (1417-58/61), eld. da. and coh. of Sir Philip (d. 1418),⁴ s. and h. of John, lord Darcy; (2) Anne, da. and h. of Robert Conyers of Ormesby.⁵

He was keeper of Fronsac in France in July 1439-41;⁶ exor. of the will of Robert Strangways, 1444;⁷ kntd. 1444/5; pardoned with his wife, 17 Nov. 1446;⁴ sheriff, Yorks., 1445-6, 1452-3, 1468-9; Yorks. elector, 1449 (2), 1455; J.P. North Riding, 28 July 1451 to 25 June 1460; on the comn. for prolonging the peace with Scotland 1449 and again Apr. 1451; directed to take the homage of the Earl of Douglas, June 1452; pardoned 16 Nov. 1452;⁸ on all the Yorkist comns. for Yorks., 1453-73; pardoned again Oct. 1455; and in June 1457 he was again keeping the truce with Scotland. J.P. East Riding, 24 Nov. 1458 to 1 June 1459. In July 1459 he was negotiating with the King of Scots. He was now more openly Yorkist, and he was the administrator of the estates of the Earl of Salisbury. He fought at Wakefield, 30 Dec. 1460, and Clement Paston wrote to his bro. John—"It was said that Thomas Colt, Sir James Strangways and Sir Thomas Pickering were taken or dead,"⁹ but Strangways was neither. With his son John he was a comnr. in the North Riding in May, and put on to the Bench for the North and West Riding, May 1461, till the Readeption. When Parlt. met he was elected Speaker, 5 Nov. 1461, and straightway, on presentation, made a long speech on the war and present position to the assembled King and Lords.¹⁰ On 18 June 1463 he was paid £83 6s. 8d. as "reward" for his services as Speaker.¹¹

By now his wife Elizabeth was dead, and he obtained from Parlt. the lands that she had inherited as one of the Darcy heirs. About this time he was made chief Justice of Durham, and remained so under bishops Langley and Nevill.¹² He was pardoned, 20 Sept. 1462 as "late receiver of the subsidy voted in 1449 (2), *alias* late sheriff of Yorks., *alias* of Harlesey, *alias* late of Whorlton," but no mention of his Speakership in the late Parliament. He was one of Warwick's feoffees; exempted from the Act of Resumption in 1463; twice sent as ambassador to Scotland in 1464. By now his son Richard was also a knight, and they were jointly negotiating the truce with the Scots at Newcastle in 1466; again exempted from resumption, 1467, and again pardoned in Oct. 1469 by Warwick's pseudo-government. He was

¹ Seyer, *Bristol*, 201. ² *ibid.* ³ Fine Roll, 17 Hen. VII (m.1).

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1446 (m.7); *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 143. ⁵ *Test. Ebor.* ii. 109.

⁶ Issue Rolls, *passim*. ⁷ *Test. Ebor.* ii. 109. ⁸ *Foedera*, V. ii. 41. ⁹ *Paston Letters*, i. 540.

¹⁰ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir James Strangways.

¹¹ Issue Roll, East. 3 Edw. IV.

¹² *Test. Ebor.* ii. 109.

removed from the bench at the Readeption, but probably did not go abroad with Edward IV, holding rather with the Percys and Archbp. Nevill. Throughout the next five years he was negotiating with the Scots at Newcastle, at Alnwick and Carlisle.¹

D. shortly before 20 Aug. 1480,² when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschrs. of Yorks., Lincs., Lancs., Nhd., Mdsx. and Derbys.³

STRANGWAYS (STRANGWISH), THOMAS (1430-84); of Stinsford, Dorset. M.P. Bedwin 1472-5.

He was an exor. of the will of Richard Beauchamp, earl of Salisbury in 1458,⁴ and probably a Strangways from Yorkshire. Sir Edmund Cheyne *m.* Alice sis. of William Stafford M.P. (1407-50) of Stinsford, Dorset, and, in her issue, heir to her nephew Humphrey Stafford of Hoke (*q.v.*), earl of Devon, beheaded by Robin of Redesdale's men in 1469. Alice's three das. and coheirs *m.* Sir John Willoughby, Sir John Coleshill, and Eleanor to Thomas Strangways. Many sought and claimed these lands. Stinsford seems to have remained with Strangwish, but most came into the hands of Humphrey Stafford of Grafton, probably heir male of Stafford of Sandon, Staffs., etc. Strangwish took out a pardon, stating his claims in Nov. 1484;⁵ but he died, before Bosworth and the fall of Stafford of Grafton, in Dec. 1484. Will, dat. 18 Dec. 1484, pr. 24 Mar. 1485.⁶ Thomas Strangways of Stinsford, senior, esq. To be bur. at Abbotsbury; bequest to da. Katherine 100 marks. Residue to wife Alianore and she exix. with son Thomas Strangways.⁶ The Parlt. of 1485-6 conceded the right of the coheirs and they were granted the Stafford of Hoke lands that had been seized by Humphrey Stafford of Grafton.⁷ Bedwin was a borough where Sir Henry Stafford and the Lady Margaret had the interest in 1472.

STRAUNG (STRONGE), JOHN. M.P. Calne 1449 (1).

In Jan. 1435 a John Straunge had married Alice, widow of William Homme of Cirencester. Straung is close to Cirencester.

STREET (STRETE), JOHN (1420-85).; King's Servant? M.P. WESTMORLAND 1450-1.

Neither Street nor Estrete is found as a surname in any northern county. A vagabond John Strete was in Herts. in 1458. A John Strete *alias* Estrete was pardoned outlawry for not appearing in 1478; and in Nov. 1489 Henry VII made a grant in tail male to George Estrete son of the King's servant, John Strete, for his father's services, of the manors of Rathtouth and Chapelizod in Ireland. So the Westmorland M.P. may possibly be the King's servant. But here we have almost the only knight of the shire who cannot be identified; and observe that he sat for a small county a long way off. John Strete, goldsmith to the King, is mentioned in the Exchequer Accounts of 1461. This might be the

¹ *Foedera*, V. iii. 6.

² The *Dict. Nat. Biog.* makes him die in 1516 at the age of 101, but this was, of course, his grandson, Sir James, *b.* 1460, s. of Sir Richard.

³ Fine Rolls, 20 Edward IV (m.15). ⁴ *Test. Vetust.* 288.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1484. Strangwish and Eleanor his wife, cousin and heir of H. Stafford, late Earl of Devon and late of Hoke knt., *alias* Strangwish late of Stinsford, Dorset, esq. (m.6).

⁶ P.C.C., 21 Logge. ⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 325.

person referred to as the King's servant in 1489. A John Strete of Devonshire died in 1495.¹

STRELLEY, JOHN (1420-87); of Linby, Notts., esq.² M.P. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1459.

S. of John (*d.* 1426) by Jane da. and h. of John Hunt of Linby, which John Strelley was yr. s. of Sir Nicholas Strelley (*d.* 1430). *M.* Elizabeth da. of Sir William Mering M.P. (1385-1449). He was first cousin to his successor Sir Robert Strelley M.P.

In May 1426 Sir Nicholas Strelley settled Ferrybridge and Friston, Yorks. (which he had from his father Sir Sampson Strelley) upon his son Sir Robert Strelley (*d.* 1438/40) and heirs male, remainder to John s. of John s. of Sir Nicholas.³

Robert Strelley esq. and his nephew John of Linby esq. were beneficiaries under a bond of £20, 1441.⁴ Robert died, a knt., 1438/40 leaving sons Robert and John. For on 10 Feb. 1443 Thomas Kemp (afterwards Cardinal-Archbp.) and others settled Oxton on Robert Strelley and Isabel, Kemp's sister, with successive remainders to John, bro. of Robert, and to John Strelley of Linby, Robert's kinsman (*i.e.* first cousin).⁵ John of Linby was pardoned, 1446, and pardoned outlawry 1448. In 1451 he was charged with obstructing the highway between Hucknall-Torkard and Popplewich. He retaliated by charging the King's tenants with making purprestures on Linby *alias* "Papulwyk moor"; and the King's tenants of Sherwood sued him in 1454 for making enclosures on the highway between Mansfield and Sallowe. But Strelley of Linby was pardoned, 5 July 1458, "*alias* late of Derby, late of Assshore (Ashover), Derbys., late of Oxston, Notts." (m.18); elected for the county 1459. Both John "of Lynbe", esq. and John "of Strelley", were electors in Notts. 1460; as "of Lyndeby, Notts., esq., *alias* gent.", he was pardoned, 8 Nov. 1472 (m.15), and pardoned outlawry for not appearing, 8 May 1475.

D. 4 Mar. 1487 when Nicholas, aged 12, was his s. and h.; his widow Elizabeth *m.* in 1488, without licence, John Savage.⁶

STRELLEY, Sir ROBERT (1420-88); of Strelley and Bilborough, Notts.

M.P. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1460-1, (? 1470-1). Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir Robert Strelley of same (*d.* 1438/9), by Jane da. of Richard Stanhope. *M.* 1443 (when Oxton⁷ was settled on them with remainders to his bro. John, and his kinsman John of Linby),⁸ Isabel (*d.* 1458), da. of Thomas and sis. of Cardinal John Kemp, archbp. of Canterbury.

He obtained a confirmation of an old charter in 1441; and from 1441 to 1474 a series of 47 bonds whereby various persons are bound to Strelley hint of his methods of local government and acquisitiveness.⁹ William, lord Zouch, made him his chief steward in Notts. 1453.¹⁰ J.P. Notts., 5 Feb. 1444 to 20 Nov. 1458, 3 Dec. 1460 (while M.P.) to 3 May 1470, 9 Nov. 1470 to 1471, 26 June 1486 till

¹ Fine Roll, 11 Hen. VII, m.2.

² So described in the Sheriff's return.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 357.

⁴ *ibid.* iv. p. 392. ⁵ *ibid.* iii. p. 365. ⁶ *Ex inf.* C. Constable.

⁷ In 1450 he leased Oxton for 12 years to Thomas Belers for 10 marks a year (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. C.4290).

⁸ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 365.

⁹ *ibid.* vi. pp. 388-394.

¹⁰ *ibid.* vi. p. 260.

death.¹ Sheriff, Notts. and Derbys., 1445-6, 1451-2, 1463-4; apportioner of the subsidy in 1463;² elector, Notts., 1449 (1), 1450; on Notts. comms. 1451 to the Lancastrian array, Dec. 1459 and 1462, and Oct. 1470—not under Richard III. Pardoned, 1 Apr. 1458, “of Strelley esq., late sheriff, late of Oxston” (m.10). Kntd. 21 Dec. 1459/Sept. 1460, perhaps with the other Lancastrians at Northampton. In Apr. 1470 he was one of those to be arrested with Clarence and Warwick, and removed from the bench; reinstated by Warwick and removed again after Barnet. He should certainly have sat in the Readeption Parlt. Pardoned, “of Strelley, knight., late sheriff” of all offences and arrears, Aug. 1472. In 1472, he settled Oxton and lands in Strelley on the marriage of his son John.³

D. 12 Mar. 1488; when John aged 40 was his s. and h. Lands—Notts., Yorks. and Derbys. Other sons Nicholas and Thomas.⁴

STRETCH (STRECHE), JOHN (1400-60); of Okehampton. M.P. Barnstaple 1449-50.

A John Streche witnessed a deed at Okehampton, 1422; bailiff of Okehampton 1426; Lutrell held land of him in Wollaston, 1428. It was certainly our John who was bailiff of Okehampton in 1459.⁵

STRETE see STREET.

STRICKLAND, RICHARD (1420-58); of Haversham, Bucks. Master of the King's Harriers 1443-58. M.P. East Grinstead 1453-4. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Walter Strickland (*d. c.* 1445), by Isabel da. of John Olney of Haversham; *m.* Beatrice who rem. Richard Page.⁶

Richard and his father Walter were made jointly for life masters of the King's harriers, 14 Feb. 1443. Walter was dead in 1446 when Richard carried on the office. Parlt. annulled the grant 1449/50, and it was granted afresh, 11 Nov. 1451, as soon as Parlt. was dissolved. The pay, fixed in 1452, was 12*d.* a day out of the issues of Beds. and Bucks. Richard released Haversham, Bucks., to feoffees in 1448, describing himself as “son of Walter Strickland esq. by Isabel da. of John s. of William Olney”, doubtless on his marriage.⁷ He was pardoned, 10 Nov. 1452, as s. and h. of Walter (m.4).

D. 9 Mar. 1458,⁸ when Walter, aged 26, was his h., being s. of Thomas, bro. of Walter, father of the said Richard (*i.e.* his first cousin). Lands—Bucks., Leics. and Wilts. John Wrothe succeeded him in July 1461 as master of the King's harriers.

STRICKLAND (STYRKELAND), WALTER (1411-67); of Sizergh Castle, Kendal. M.P. WESTMORLAND 1442.

S. and h. of Thomas Strickland of the same M.P. (*d.* 1455), by Mabel da. of Sir John de Betham. He married 1426 Douce, then under 14 years old, da. of Nicholas Croft of Dalton and Leighton, Lancs.; she took the veil on her husband's death.⁹

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 95.

² Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV (m.18).

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 234.

⁴ Stevenson, *Records of Nottingham*, iii. 15.

⁵ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

⁶ On the roll of Lancastrians pardoned in Feb. 1462 occurs:—Richard Page of London and Horton, Kent, and Beatrice his wife, late wife of Richard Strickland esq., deceased (m.33).

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 307.

⁸ *Inq. p.m.* 36 Hen. VI, No. 35.

⁹ *Ex inf.* Henry Hornyold-Strickland.

Called "junior" on the 1442 return. As King's Squire he was granted the office of keeper of Calgarth, 6 Apr. 1446; h. in 1458 to his cousin, Richard Strickland, in Bucks., Leics., and Wilts.; on a comm. to arrest rebels in Westmd. June 1461; pardoned July 1462, as Walter, s. and h. of Thomas Strickland, *alias* Walter Strickland of "Srysser in Kirkeby in Kendal", esq.¹

D. 9 Aug. 1467, when Thomas, aged 24, was his s. and h.—ancestor of the present Lord Strickland now of Sizergh.²

STRINGER, RICHARD ? (1455–1510); of Derby, grocer. M.P. Derby 1495.

The will of Richard Stringer, grocer of Derby, the elder, dat. 6 May 1510, pr. 4 Feb. 1511.³ The will of his bro. John was dat. and pr. 1518—also of Derby.⁴ Probably the first named was the M.P. whose surname has alone survived.

STRINGER, WILLIAM; of Leicester. M.P. Leicester boro' 1449 (1). He was mayor of Leicester in 1449.⁵

STRODE, RICHARD (1410–60); of Newnham-Strode, Devon, esq. M.P. Plympton 1437, 1447.

S. and h. of John Strode of Ermington, Devon.

Sworn to the peace in Dorset, 1434; a Devon elector, 1442, 1449 (2); on a Devon comm., 1439, and a Plymouth comm., 1444; pardoned, 1452, as "late of Newenham, Devon, esq., *alias* of Loghetope, Devon, gent."

He was recently dead in 1460/5, when Margaret, late wife of Richard Strode, sued John Strode, a feoffee for uses, for the manors of Newnham-Strode and Dunstone, Devon.⁶ The custody of his s. and h. was granted in Apr. 1467 to Humphrey, lord Stafford of Southwick. And in 1493 William Strode esq., s. and h. of Richard Strode, s. and h. of John Strode of Ermington, Devon, sued the abbot of Tavistock for land at Hurdwick, Devon.⁷

STRONGE see STRAUNG.

STUART see STYWARD.

STUCKLEY (STUKELE, STYVECLEY), JOHN (1420–88); of Nokes manor in Stukeley. Lawyer. M.P. HUNTINGDONSHIRE 1447, 1449 (1), 1450–1. Yorkist.

Perhaps s. of Sir Nicholas Stuckley by Agnes;⁸ *m.* Margaret.

Admtd. to Lincoln's Inn 1440.⁹ In Dec. 1452 he was paid 6s. 8d. for attending at Westminster for the safe custody of John Halton, traitor; collr. of subsidy in

¹ Pardon Roll, 1462 (m.24).

² See note 9 on p. 823.

³ To be bur. in All Saints, Derby. Bequests to da. Margaret, sons Richard and William, w. Margery. Exors. :—Margery, and s. William. Lands in Osmaston, Lachurch, Merton, Mackworth, and in Derby, the gift of his father Richard. Supervisors include his brother John (P.C.C., 35 Bennett).

⁴ To be bur. in All Saints next to his w. Agnes. House in the Cornmarket to s. Henry. Bequests to s. Robert and da. Jane, Margaret and Elizabeth. Masses for father and mother-in-law, John Wodehouse and Margery. Exors. :—sons Henry and Robert. Supervisors :—Robert Johnson, subdean of All Saints, William Woodhouse and Thomas Horewood, grocer (P.C.C., 10 Ayloffe).

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/269.

⁵ Nichols, *Hist. of Leicester*.

⁷ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiv. 270.

⁸ *V.C.H. Hunts.*, ii, 231; or s. of Ralph and g.s. of John Stuckley of Lit. Stuckley (*Cal. Cl. Rolls*, 1434, 296).

⁹ The Stucle admtd. to Lincoln's Inn has no christian name, but it is probably this member, though a Ralf Stuckley was coroner and elector in Hunts. in 1442, 1447, 1449 (1).

Hunts. 1449/50.¹ His contested election in 1450 will be dealt with in the Lists Volume. Pardoned the £100 in which he had gone bail for J. Browe of Stamford, Dec. 1461; J.P. Hunts., 20 July 1461 till death; J.P. Cambs., 28 May 1463 to 2 Jan. 1464; sheriff, Cambs. and Hunts., 7 Nov. 1461 to 5 Nov. 1463 (*i.e.* two years); an apportioner of subsidy in Hunts., 1463;² on comns. in Hunts., 1458 and from 1470 to 1484, including the two subsidy comns. of 1483 and the two of array in 1484; an elector in Hunts., 1467; pardoned, 5 Sept. 1468;³ with his wife Margaret he was a deforciant in fines concerning various Hunts. manors, 1476, 1484.⁴

D. 24 Apr. 1488, when Gerard, aged 26, was his s. and h.; his wife Margaret survived; lands—Noke's manor in Great Stukeley; Clarysance manor in Upwood; and Croftes and Beaufitz in Beachampstead; all in Hunts.

STUDLEY, JOHN; Norfolk's servant. M.P. Reigate 1450-1; Gatton 1460-1.

Reigate was one of the duke's boroughs (*cf.* John Timperly M.P.), and the *Paston Letters* contain a news letter from John Studley. He gives news of the court, which had been gathered by "my lord Chancellor, John Leventhorpe (M.P.), Laurence Leventhorpe (M.P.), Master Adam, William Medwe and me", 19 Jan. 1454.⁵

STUKELEY see STUCKLEY.

STURGEON, JOHN (1405-55); of London, mercer. M.P. London 1445-6.

M. (2) 1445 an orphan, Beatrice, da. of Richard Aylmer, mercer.⁶

He was surety for John Asshe in 1436; auditor of London, 1438-42; a councillor in 1442 and 1447;⁷ master of London Bridge 1449;⁸ chamberlain 1450-4, but never alderman. Keeper of the pleas of the fair at Smithfield, 1445;⁹ London elector in 1447, 1449 (2), 1450; pardoned, 20 June 1446, as citizen and mercer of London (m.41). As for his Parliamentary work, two men, Osegod and Crek, complained that he did much harm to the City in Parlt. But the court of aldermen took proceedings against them for their seditious words against Sturgeon.¹⁰ In 1454, on retirement from the office of chamberlain, he was given money and promised an embroidered cloak every year while he remained a councillor, on account of his great diligence and many labours.¹¹

He was alive 1455,¹² and probably died that same year. See John Sturgeon M.P. (1430-92).

STURGEON, JOHN (1430-92); of Gatesbury, Herts. King's servant from 1459; Master of the Ordnance 1477-82; Sq. of the Body 1481-5; lawyer.

M.P. HERTFORDSHIRE 1472-5, 1478, (? 1483 Jan.).

Son of John Sturgeon, mercer of London and of Hitchen, M.P. (1405-55), by Agnes. In some way related to Sir John Say the Speaker;¹³ m. (1) Jane, (2) Margaret.

¹ Fine Roll, 28 Hen. VI (m.6). ² Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV (m.19).

³ Pardon Roll, 5 Sept. 1468, as of Great Stuckley, Hunts., esq., *alias* late sheriff (m.26).

⁴ *Cal. Feet of Fines, Hunts.* (Cambs. Antiq. Soc., 1913), by G. J. Turner.

⁵ *Paston Letters*, i. 263-8. ⁶ *Letter Book K.* 310. ⁷ Jor. 3, fo. 136; Jor. 4, fo. 195d.

⁸ Jor. 5, fos. 4d, 16d. ⁹ Jor. 4, fo. 91. ¹⁰ Jor. 4, fos. 119b, 121. ¹¹ Jor. 5, fo. 194d.

¹² *Ex inf.* Miss Winifred Jay, Jor. 5, fos. 236d, 241d, etc.

¹³ For the connection with the Says, see *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 456 and iv. p. 74; *Admn. Regr. Linc. Inn*, 19; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1476), 603.

Pardoned, 1452, as of Hitchen jun., yeoman (m.13); elector, Herts., 1455; in the King's service by 1459;¹ receiver and approver of Crown lands in Herts., etc., Feb. 1462; had grant of Gatesbury, Herts., 1 Dec. 1463; exempted from resumption, 1464; as servant and officer of the Household,² again 1467³—again 1473 as usher;⁴ sheriff, Cornwall, 1467–8;⁵ J.P. Beds., 8 Feb. 1468 to Nov. 1470 and 1471–5; J.P. Herts., of the quorum, 10 July 1471 till sheriff in 1483; pardoned, 4 May 1472;⁶ sheriff, Herts. and Essex, 1473–4, 1479–80, 1483–4; on comns. in Cornwall 1467–73, Beds. 1472–4, and Herts. Feb. 1470 to 1472.

He was gentleman usher of the chamber by Jan. 1473, and already employed at the Ordnance;⁷ with Sir John Parr he mustered the army at Southwark, Mar. 1474; Master of the Ordnance on the expedition to France, June–Sept. 1475;⁸ pardoned arrears, 25 Feb. 1477, as Master of the Ordnance and usher of the chamber. But it was not till 20 Nov. 1477 that he had a formal grant of the Ordnance in place of John Wood (*q.v.*) with 2s. a day and 4s. a day riding expenses. Sturgeon benefited under the will of Thomas Bowes, keeper of the mint, who called him "my master Sturgeon". He was squire of the body in 1481 and equipping ships against the Scots; but Thomas Audley, squire of the body, took his place as Master of the Ordnance, 18 May 1482.

Sturgeon, squire of the body, was on all the Herts. comns. of 1483–4. If he ceased to be J.P. it was only to become sheriff; pardoned, 9 Apr. 1484; retired under the Tudors, and died 1492. Will, dat. 20 June, pr. at Lambeth, 30 June 1492, and the archbp. of Canterbury, Chancellor of England, was at the making of the testament and supervisor of the will. To be bur. in St. Andrew's, Hitchen, to his w. Margaret his household utensils and 100 marks. The £400, which Richard Godfray (*q.v.*) of "Noryele" owes him, for his soul. Mentions Jane his late w., his father and mother—John Sturgeon and Agnes. Residue for charity. Exors.:—Mr. Edward Shuldon, parson, John Fisher, serjt.-at-law, Nicholas Mattok (*q.v.*) and Richard Capcotte. No issue survived him. His canopied tomb is in the side chapel of Hitchen church.

STURMY, WILLIAM (1420–1475/82); of Knoyle, Wilts. King's Servant.

M.P. Ludgershall 1467–8.

Perhaps s. of John Sturmy, M.P. Ludgershall 1422. The Sturmy family were wardens of Savernake forest.⁹ William Ellesmere, escheator in Oxon. and Berks., was pardoned 1460, for that William Sturmy, his sub-escheator, had lost the account books, and William Sturmy of "Knolle", Wilts., was in gaol at Wallingford and to be tried.¹⁰ However Sturmy was granted the custody of the park of Hampton-Marshall, Berks., with fees, 18 Apr. 1461; made keeper of Hampton-Marshall, called "King's Servant", 26 Nov. 1461; a Crown nominee at Ludgershall 1467–8. Letters of protection to go overseas were revoked 6 Dec. 1475 because

¹ One of those comsmd. to press workmen for building colleges at Cambridge (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1459), 478). ² *Rot. Parl.* v. 539. ³ *ibid.* v. 588. ⁴ *ibid.* vi. 83.

⁵ His sole connection with Cornwall seems to be that he was at some time keeper of the mines in Cornwall and Devon.

⁶ Pardon Roll, 4 May 1472, as esq., late sheriff of Cornwall, *alias* of Hitchen, *alias* late of London, *alias* gent. (m.33). ⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1473), 365.

⁸ Scofield, *Edward IV.*, ii. 118; *Exchr. Accts.* 55/7 of 15 Edw. IV.

⁹ *Wilts. Arch. Mag.* vi. 294.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1460), pp. 596, 648.

he ("late of Knolle, gent.") tarries at Westminster. He was dead by 1482 when John Sturmy vests Knoyle in feoffees,¹ and the feoffees demise it to him "son and heir of William Sturmy".²

STURT, PHILIP. M.P. Plympton 1447.

The name Sturt comes from Start Point. Gilbert Sturt lived at Brixton near Plympton in 1458.³

STURY, RICHARD (1405-69); of Rossall; ald. of Shrewsbury. M.P. Shrewsbury 1445-6.

The family were seated at Rossall by 1430, when large properties there, formerly belonging to Roger Colle, were granted to Stury's father.⁴ The description of a boundary at Shrewsbury in 1431 mentions the lands of Richard Stury.⁵

Aldermen were first apptd. in Shrewsbury in 1444, and Stury appears on the list of aldermen. An elector, Salop, in 1447, 1450, 1459; bailiff of Shrewsbury 1444-5 when he himself was elected to Parlt., 1448-9, 1452-3, 1456-7, 1464-5; pardoned "as of Shrewsbury esq.", Aug. 1452 (m.24); a feoffee for Richard Grey of Powys and Margaret his wife, da. of Sir James Audley, in Alton, Hants, in Jan. 1459.

D. 1469; will, da. 9 Nov. 1469, pr. 11 Feb. 1470. All his lands in the town and suburbs of Shrewsbury to his bro. Alan, on trust to find priests for masses for his mother Isabel, and for his s. and h. John.⁶ A chantry was founded in St. Mary's, long called "Stury's Aisle".

STYLE see STILE.

STY.... see STI....

STYRKELAND see STRICKLAND.

STYVECLEY see STUCKLEY.

STYWARD (STEWART), WILLIAM (1420-80); of Oulton, Norfolk, gent.; lawyer. M.P. Dunwich 1472-5.

A William Stiwardson was an elector in Norfolk 1445, which may even indicate his father's office. William Styward of Oulton, Norf., gent., was pardoned outlawry for not appearing, May 1452; as "of Dunwich gent." he was pledge in Nov. 1467 for Roger Newman of Norwich;⁷ attorney on the plea rolls for Suffolk, 1470; pledge for the Dunwich M.P.s in 1467; elector and coroner of the liberty of Dunwich when elected 1472; with Elizabeth his wife, da. of John Wright late mercer of Norwich, he sued for his wife's lands in Norwich, 1467/72;⁸ and in 1475/83 he sued feoffees to uses (including Richard Styward) for tenements in Stanford-Rivers, Essex.⁹ It may be his gt. grandson who set up the famous window and the forged Stuart descent. If so Cromwell was a more famous descendant.

SULYARD (SULEARD), (Sir) JOHN (1425-88); of Wetherden, Suffolk. Tutor to Prince of Wales 1473-83; Serjeant-at-law 1478-84; Justice of K.B. 1484-8. M.P. Dunwich 1459; Hindon 1472-5; sumnd. 1485-6, 1487.

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, i. p. 384.

² *ibid.* B. 1778, per A. Storey Maskelyne.

³ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

⁴ *Liberties of Salop*, 453.

⁵ *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

⁶ Owen and Blakeway, *Salop*, ii. 233.

⁷ Fine Roll, 7 Edw. IV (m.7).

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 38/37.

⁹ *ibid.* 54/148.

S. of John Sulyard of Eye, Suff., by Alice (or Elizabeth) da. of Sir John Barrington of Essex; *m.* (1) Margaret Hungate of Yorks., and (2) Anne da. and coh. of John Andrews of Bailham.¹ Anne survived him and *rem.* Sir Thomas Bouchier senior, of Leeds Castle, and was pardoned as Bouchier's widow in 1495 (m.37).

With Stapleton, Brewer and Heydon, he was a feoffee of Weybread, Suffolk, 1454.² In 1454/5 Herbert and Sulyard were admitted to Lincoln's Inn and were assigned by the governor to a ground floor chamber in which Avery Mauleverer late lived and slept, "because they are two of the best barristers of the Inn".³ Of Lincoln's Inn Sulyard was auditor and marshal 1457-8, governor nine times between 1459 and 1476, lent reader 1465-7, 1477-8.

J.P. Suffolk, 20 Nov. 1461 till death; on Suffolk comns. including sewers and oyer 1462-85. In June 1465 he was elected counsel for Ipswich, with 20s. a year for fee, and was made a free burgess.⁴ He had a grant of free warren in Wetherden which he appears to have held of the crown, Mar. 1469; pardoned, 16 Feb. 1472.⁵ In Feb. 1473, while M.P., he was made one of the tutors of the Prince of Wales, and J.P., of the quorum, for the counties of the western circuit—Glos., Heref., Salop and Worcs. Later he seems to have changed his circuit and taken the south-eastern one, 1481. Serjeant-at-law, 1477/8; and in Nov. 1478 a feoffee for Henry Bouchier, earl of Essex.⁶ He sat on Richard III's comns. of subsidy in 1483, and on 22 Oct. 1484 was made a Justice of the King's Bench. Henry VII renewed the appointment, 20 Sept. 1485. Kntd. Mar./July 1486, or 6 Jan. 1487.⁷

D. 18 Mar. 1488, when Edward, aged 26, was his s. and h.; lands—Suffolk, Essex.

SUTTON, HAMOND (1395-1461); merchant of Lincoln; Stapler of Calais; Deputy Butler of Hull 1435. M.P. Lincoln city 1416, 1420, 1421 (May), 1422, 1423, 1425, 1426; LINCOLNSHIRE 1431, 1435, 1439-40.

S. and h. of Robert Sutton of the same, merchant, M.P., by Agnes; *m.* a da. of Sir Henry Vavasour.⁸ Sons, Hamond (1420-67) and Robert (1420-52) both M.P.s.

Eschr., Lincs., 1423-4; elector for the county 1425, 1426, 1437; elector for the city 1429, 1431, 1437. For benefits received, the mayor and commonalty of Lincoln promised not to elect Hamond Sutton, their fellow-citizen as mayor or sheriff, or to any other office in the city against his will, Nov. 1429; on comns., Lincs., 1430 to 1438; J.P. Lincs., 8 Aug. 1433 to 5 Dec. 1434, and 22 Oct. 1436 to 22 Nov. 1458. The staple of Calais sued him for £900 in 1431,⁹ but he was mayor of the staple in 1433, and had licence to take gold and silver with him to Calais up to £300; apptd. deputy butler in the port of Hull, Oct. 1435; on more Lincs. comns., down to the Lancastrian comn. of array, Dec. 1459.

¹ Elizabeth the other coh. *m.* Thomas Windsor M.P. Will of Dame Elizabeth Andrews of Bailham in *Test. Vetust.* p. 331.

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 128.

⁴ Bacon, *Annals of Ipswich*, p. 125.

⁵ As "of Wetherden, Suffolk, gent., late of Eye, *alias* of London, gent., late J.P. of Suffolk, *alias* late of Welby, Suffolk."

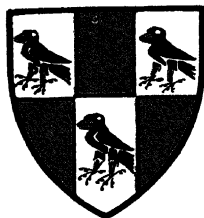
⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 310.

⁷ Shaw, *Knights*.

⁸ *Geneal. N.S.* xix. 113.

⁹ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 112.

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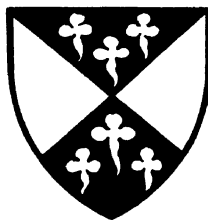
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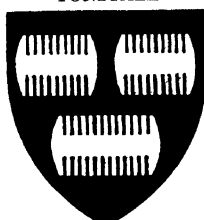
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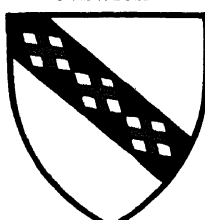
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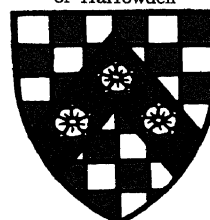
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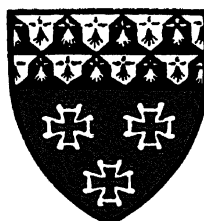
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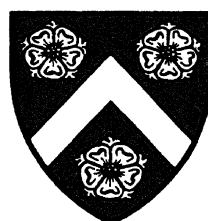
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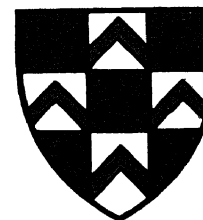
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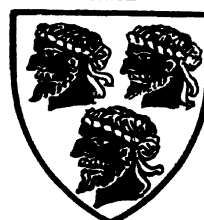
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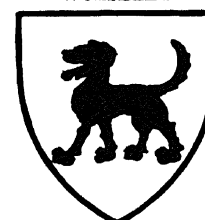
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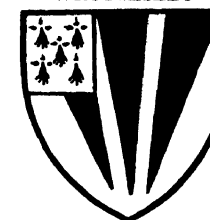
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During most of this time he was in Calais, as mayor of the staple; sent on a mission to the Duke of Burgundy about trade with Flanders, Feb. 1436;¹ again licensed to carry plate and money to Calais, May 1443.² Exempted from serving in any office, including knt. of the Shire, 1442; elector, Lincoln city, 1442, 1449 (1), 1450, 1453; elector, Lincs., 1447, 1450. As King's serjt., mayor of the staple of Calais, and deputy butler of Hull, he was granted in March 1447 two tuns of Gascon wine yearly, delivered in Hull; which grant was annulled by Parlt., in 1449-50, and renewed in May 1453, when he was again given all the styles and titles of 1447. About 1450 he sued the mayor and constable of the staple of Calais for the arrest of his goods, and about the same time William Fleet sued him as mayor of the staple of Calais for contempt of the Chancellor's Court.³ He had rallied to the House of York by Nov. 1460, when Hamond Sutton the elder and others were put on a comn. in Lincoln city, and he was dead by Feb. 1462. His s. and h., Hamond, *d.* 1467.

SUTTON, HAMOND, junior (1420-67); of Burton by Lincoln, merchant. Yeoman of the Chamber 1451-4. M.P. Lincoln city 1453-4, 1459, 1460-1 (always called junior).

S. and h. of Hamond Sutton of the same M.P. (1395-1461), by a da. of Sir Henry Vavassour. His son Hamond III was born in 1454. He was already yeoman of the chamber when ordered to arrest ships at Hull and despatch them to Sandwich, June 1451. His father was one of his electors in 1453. He was pardoned with the other Lancastrians, 6 Feb. 1462, as "esq. of Lincoln, late junior, *alias* of Burton near Lincoln, *alias* of Salmonby, Lincs., *alias* merchant, *alias* s. and h. of Hamond Sutton, late of Lincoln, merchant" (m.46).

D. 22 April 1467, when Hamond, aged 12, was his s. and h. Lands—Lincs. and Notts. He must be distinguished from Hamond son of Robert Sutton, who occurs in the patent rolls in 1466 and was later J.P. and many times comnr. in Lincs.

Arms, formerly in window of Burton church—or, on a chevron between 3 annulets gules, 3 crescents of the first.

SUTTON, JOHN (1415-85); of Rye, fishmonger, *alias* esq.⁴ M.P. Rye 1442.

Elected mayor of Rye, *vice* William Broughton, deceased, 13 Dec. 1448; he strove against one Robert in Rye, 1448/9, "whereon Sutton struck said Robert on his breast with his fist, whereon said Robert drew a two-handed sword out of its sheath."⁵ With other Cinque Port men John Sutton of Rye, fishmonger, was one of those to lease the manor of Leasham in Rye from Adam Levelord (*q.v.*) at £20 a year, 1446/7; jurat of Rye 1449 to 1462 when "senior, esq."; again mayor of Rye 1454-5, 1457-9. He may have been a lawyer, for in 1452, John Yprys appts. John Sutton his attorney, to give seisin of Ypres Tower in Rye to Thomas Stoughton (*q.v.*), fishmonger of London. Pardoned 1484.⁶ Probably father of John Sutton M.P. 1489-90.

¹ *Foedera*, V. i. 16. ² *Privy Coun. Proc.* v. 278. ³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 7/282, 16/448.

⁴ He is not the John Sutton who was yeoman of the crown 1436-57; but he is possibly ancestor of Nicholas Sutton, M.P. Rye 1497, 1529. ⁵ *Hist. MSS. Com.* V. 490.

⁶ Pardon Roll, 8 Mar. 1484, as of Rye, mercht., *alias* late mayor of Rye, *alias* esq., *alias* gent. (m.23).

SUTTON, JOHN (1440-1505); of Rye. M.P. Rye 1489-90.

Presumably s. of John Sutton senior M.P. (1415-85).

Occurs in Rye 1460; made by the King keeper of that Cinque Port after the rebellion of 1471; occurs at brotherhood meetings 1475, 1476; a jurat of Rye 1478 to 1501, sometimes called esq.¹ Never mayor. Cf. Nicholas Sutton M.P. Rye 1497, 1529.

SUTTON, NICHOLAS (1455-1536); of Rye, merchant. M.P. Rye 1497, 1510, 1512-4, 1515, 1529-36.

This seems to be all one man. If so he was present at a brotherhood meeting at Rye, Easter 1476;² mayor of Rye 1509-11, 1516-7, 1519-20, 1529, 1531-2;³ a comnr. to levy the subsidy there, 1513.⁴

SUTTON, ROBERT (1420-52); of Lincoln.⁵ M.P. Lincoln city 1449-50, 1450-1.

S. of Hamond Sutton of Lincoln M.P. (1395-1460/1), by ——— (Vavassour), *M.* Agnes da. and h. of John Hawley; she survived him and *m.* Thomas Blount, son of Sir Walter Blount (cr. lord Mountjoy, 1461), and *d.* 1462.

An elector for Lincs. when elected for the city. *D.* 1452. Will, dat. 23 Feb., pr. 3 Apr. 1452:—To be buried at St. Andrews, Wigford, Lincs.;⁶ Household stuff to his wife; bequests to servants at Grysby, to sister Babington, to bros. John and Hamond Sutton, to another sister; to his father Hamond Sutton of Lincoln, esq., "my hawke". Exōrs.:—father, wife and bros. John and Hamond. Hamond, his s. and h., was of full age on 15 Feb. 1466.

SWAN, HENRY (1455-1510); of Rye. M.P. Rye 1491-2, 1504.

Probably s. of John Swan, common clerk of Rye 1474-95.

Chamberlain of Rye 1481-2; mayor 1492-3, 1497-8; jurat from 1490, senior jurat by 1501. In 1493 while mayor he was paid for his late being in Parlt. for 41 days—£4 2s.⁷ In 1504—"to Mr Mayre and Mr Swane, burgesses to the Parlt. at their going forth—40s."⁸

SWAN, JOHN (1435-90); of Sandwich. M.P. Sandwich 1467-8, 1470-1, 1478, 1483 (Oct.), 1484.

With Cinque Port men he was on piracy comns. in 1472, 1484 and 1488; a jurat 1476;⁹ a feoffee 1480; and a baron at the coronation of Richard III.¹⁰ Romney presented him, Aldy, and Honywood, with a gallon of wine in that year.¹¹

SWAN, WILLIAM (1450-1510); of Southfleet, Kent, gent. M.P. Romney 1497.

Perhaps s. of William Swan of the same, eschr. of Kent 1451, called senior in 1471 when pardoned.

In 1494 R. Bonifaunt held land in Swanscombe, Kent, of William Swan, gent.,

¹ Rye, Chamberlain's Accounts, ii. *passim*; *Hist. MSS. Com.* v. pp. 480, 490-8, 500.

² *Hist. MSS. Com.*, Rye, p. 495.

³ L. A. Vidler, *Rye*, 159.

⁴ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. p. 1246.

⁵ He is not the merchant of the staple of Boston 1448-72; nor the friar and heretic of Lincoln; nor the J.P. Notts. 1470-1501; nor the citizen and tailor of London 1470.

⁶ *Lincs. Pedigrees*, p. 939.

⁷ Rye, Chamberlain's Accounts, ii. f. 113.

⁸ *ibid.* iii. f. 153.

⁹ *Hist. MSS. Com.* v. 495.

¹⁰ Boys, *Sandwich*, i. 414.

¹¹ *Hist. MSS. Com.* v. 547.

as of his manor of Combes.¹ A man was pardoned outlawry 1503, for not appearing to answer William Swan of Southfleet, Kent, gent.; in 1508 he was one of those who entered a recognisance of a debt of £240 to the Crown, together with many others of Kent².

SWAYNE, HENRY (1440-79); of Salisbury, merchant; captain; esq. M.P. Salisbury 1463-5, 1478.

S. of William Swayne M.P. (1415-85) by Christine. M. Elizabeth but no issue.

In 1463 the commonalty of Salisbury granted 40 men, with Swayne as captain, to serve Edward IV against Lancastrians—probably while and because M.P. Elector, Wilts., 1467, 1478; comnr. Wilts., June 1470; pardoned, Nov. 1471, "of Salisbury esq. *alias* merchant". In Dec. 1477 he was returned for Salisbury by his father, then mayor.³ The Swayne's seem to have been conservative leaders in the city council.⁴

Will, dat. 24 Sept. 1479, pr. 7 Feb. 1480.⁵ To be bur. in St. Thomas Martyr, Salisbury. To shrine of St. Osmund his silver collar of the King's livery and silver sword. Bequests to w. Elizabeth and to his father William Swayne (*q.v.*). Residue to William Swayne, the sole exor. In 1482/3 William Swayne, his exor., was sued by the widow of Edward IV's secretary, William Hatcliff, for issues out of Somerset and Dorset—Henry Swayne having been receiver of Hinton Admiral, &c., in Dorset and Hants.⁶

SWAYNE, JOHN (1410-70); of Orsett, Essex; yeoman. M.P. Maldon 1442, 1449 (1), 1450-1.

John Swayne was apptd. to purvey poultry for the household of the duke of Bedford, 1433. John Swaynes, elder and younger, were sworn to the peace in Norfolk, 1434; and, as of Tunstead, Norf., yeoman, John Swayne was mainpernor, 1430.

None of the above are likely to be a Member for Maldon in Essex; but John Swayne of Orsett, Essex, yeoman, was pardoned outlawry for not appearing, 1452; and 1465/70 Richard Rews and Emma his wife, da. and h. of John Sebarew, sued John Swayne, a feoffee to uses, for a tenement in Orsett, Essex, 1465/70.⁷

SWAYNE, WILLIAM (1415-84/5); of Salisbury, merchant and grocer. M.P. Salisbury 1449-50, 1460-1.

S. of James Swayn of Salisbury; *m.* (1) Christine, *d.* 1468; and (2), 1479, Gyles, widow of John Clerk of Bristol. His only child, Henry Swayn, M.P., predeceased him in 1479.⁸

In 1438 Henry VI visited Salisbury and William Swayn was an assessor for the present in cash which had to be made by the town. Mayor of Salisbury 1444-5, 1454-5, 1477-8; a manucaptor at Old Sarum 1449 (1); elector 1455; elector, Wilts., 1450, 1453 and 1478. He was paid £11 for his expenses at the Parlt. at

¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. p. 421.

² *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 1836 (27).

³ Benson & Hatcher, *Old and New Sarum*, 196.

⁴ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

⁵ P.C.C., 8 Logge.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/30.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 31/43.

⁸ On the beams of the church of St. Thomas Martyr, Salisbury, is written:—"Orate pro anima Wmi. Swayne et Christine, uxor ejus," and "Orate pro anima Jacobis, patris Wmi. Swayne," and his arms, a chevron between three pheons (Benson & Hatcher, *Old and New Sarum*, 588).

Leicester, which ended in June 1450. Pardoned 12 June 1452, as "of Salisbury, citizen and merchant, draper and yeoman, chapman, husbandman"; again 1456, when he was merely merchant and grocer. His capital tenement was in Winchester St. in 1455, and he had much other property.¹ In addition to all his other callings he might quite well be lawyer also from the number of times he appears in the Tropenell Cartulary as feoffee, grantee or arbitrator. He was pardoned again in Apr. 1458 and in Apr. 1462, described simply as merchant of Salisbury. He lent money to the Yorkist government and obtained a grant of repayment from the issues of subsidy and ulnage on cloth at Southampton. In 1461 he founded the fraternity of tailors "of the Guild of St. John Baptist,"² and in May 1468 he founded a chantry of St. Thomas Martyr to pray for him and for his wife Christiana and for the souls of his father James and mother Alice. His dispute with John Hall (*q.v.*), about land in Salisbury which the bishop is alleged to have granted to Swayn, lasted over a dozen years. At last, in Jan. 1466, Swayn was pardoned although, "with force and arms, to wit salettes, having collected other malefactors to the number of 40 person unknown," he had broken into the house of the mayor and commonalty of Salisbury, and broken down a stone wall there. He was not again elected mayor till 1477.

D. 1484/5; will, dat. 1 Apr. 1484, pr. 21 Apr. 1485.³

SWERD, HENRY. M.P. Derby boro' 1459.

Undiscovered.

SWINOUR, JOHN; of Wilts. M.P. Hindon 1455-6.

This name might be read Surnour or Swinour; possibly it should read John Seymour (*q.v.*), but one would hardly expect a Seymour at Hindon. Aubrey records the arms of Swynnour and Baynton in the windows of the church of All Saints, Oaksey, near Cricklade.⁴

SWYNNERTON, HUMPHREY (1420-62); of Swynnerton and Hilton. M.P. STAFFORDSHIRE 1455-6. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of William Swynnerton of Swynnerton, *d.* 1429, by Ellen (Trumwyne). *M.* 1449 his cousin Anne (1435-70) da. and coh. of Thomas Swynnerton of Hilton. In 1449/50 Humphrey Swynnerton and Anne his wife, one of the heirs of Thomas Swynnerton, sued John Stanley esq. (*q.v.*) for the evidences of the lands of her inheritance.⁵

Sheriff, Staffs., 1449-50, M.P. 1455-6; escheator, Staffs., 1457-8. He was pardoned outlawry for not appearing when sued for debt, 11 Feb. 1460. That he was Lancastrian is shown by the *comn.* issued for his arrest, 22 Dec. 1461, "late

¹ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

² Benson & Hatcher, *Old and New Sarum*, pp. 121, 136, 192.

³ To be bur. in St. Thomas Martyr beside his w. Christine. Bequests of a collar of silver of the King's livery to the making of St. Osmund's shrine. He is to be prayed for at Fisherton-Anchor. Bequests to Master Hugh Pary of Spruce, to Richard Beton, to William, his bro's. s., and to John Braddon, his sis's. s.; also to Agnes, his bro's. da., w. of John Hothfeld, and to Robert Benet, "a poor innocent childe which I have found and kept for almessedede, 3 marks of silver." Also to Gyles, my w., "if she ples me duryng my liff as a good woman ought to ples her husband, my hede place wit my ponde therto belongyng sett in the newstrete in the Cite of Sarum." Exors.:—Mr. Hugh Pary, archdeacon of Wilts., Henry Long esq. (*q.v.*), John Hampton (*q.v.*), and John Pyckenham, apothecary (P.C.C., 20 Logge).

⁴ *Wilts. Arch. Mag.* xxvii. 36.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 18/9.

of Hilton", to be brought before the Council to answer certain falsehoods.¹ He may well have died in prison or resisting arrest for he left no will and no monument at Swynnerton or Hilton, and he was recently dead in 1463 leaving an infant son and heir Humphrey, from whom descends the present Lord Stafford of Swynnerton.²

SY.... see SI....

SYDENHAM, JOHN, the elder (1420-68); of Brimpton-Devery near Yeovil, esq., lawyer. M.P. Old Sarum 1449 (1); SOMERSET 1449-50, 1453-4, 1460-1, (? 1461-2), 1467-8.

S. of Henry Sydenham of Cutcombe, Som., by Margaret da. of John Whyton;³ *m.* (1) Alice by whom he had Walter (*b.* 1442), and (2), Jane widow of John St. Aubyn and da. of John Stourton of Preston-Plucknett.⁴

He held Timberscombe and other west Somerset lands of the Luttrells of Dunster. John Sydenham esq. and Alice his wife delivered seisin of land in Brimpton, 1444.⁵ John Sydenham senior was on Somerset comms., 1444 to 1468, including the Lancastrian array, Dec. 1459. As "the elder" he was J.P. Somerset, of the quorum, 27 Mar. 1453 till death; elector, Somerset, 1455; sheriff, Somerset and Dorset, 1465-6. With Jane his wife he demised land to John Blakemere in Essex in 1466.

D. 4 Apr. 1468, when Walter,⁶ aged 25, was his s. and h.; lands—Somerset and Devon.

SYWARD (*alias* PERVYN), WILLIAM (1405-65); of Northampton, mercer.

M.P. Northampton boro' 1442.

Possibly s. or g.s. of John Sywell M.P. for Northampton 1390; *m.* Jane. In 1475 was pr. the will of Jane Syward, *alias* Pervyn, widow. To be bur. in All Saints, Northampton, where William Syward, *alias* Peryn, late her husband, lies (24 Watts).

So that Syward was *alias* Peryn, and William Peryn was bailiff 1433-4, mayor of Northampton 1443-4, 1453-4, where he is described as mercer, and 1463-4.⁷ Will pr. in the archdeaconry of Northampton as William Prewyn of Northampton 1467/75.⁸

TAILARD, WILLIAM (1435-1505); of Diddington, Hunts., gent.; lawyer.

M.P. HUNTINGDONSHIRE 1467-8, (? 1470-1), 1472-5.

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1461), 101.

² *Staffs. Colls.* 1917, pp. 242-3.

³ *Ex inf.* Miss Bates-Harbin.

⁴ A contemporary, John Sydenham the younger, *d.* 1 May 1469, when John, aged 21½, was his s. and h. With this John the younger identification becomes very difficult. The Dorset Visitation says that John the elder married Jane, widow of John St. Aubyn, and da. and h. of John Stourton of Preston-Plucknett, Somerset, and by her had John, his eldest son, and Richard his second son. John elder and John younger both had widows Jane. Jane was widow of John Sydenham the elder of Brimpton, and was pardoned as his exix. in 1468 and in Feb. 1471; she was again pardoned in Jan. 1472, as "of Brympton," and she died in 1499, describing herself in her will as widow both of John St. Aubyn and of John Sydenham; and she makes her son, John Sydenham of Brimpton, her sole exor.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 384.

⁶ Walter Sydenham, in his will dat. 1469, calls himself "son and heir of John Sydenham the elder," to be bur. at Brympton, and mentions Margaret his w. and John his s. No doubt Walter was a s. of the first marriage, and not by Jane Stourton.

⁷ *Northampton boro' Records*. i. 293; ii. 550.

⁸ Archdeacon. Northampton Wills, fo. 81, cap. 297.

S. of Walter Tailard (*d. c.* 1464); *m.* in 1468 Elizabeth, who, with her sisters Jane, wife of William Alington (*q.v.*), and Mary, wife of Henry Langley, was coh. of Maudelyn, Bucks.¹

J.P. Hunts., of the quorum, 20 July 1461 till death; comns., Hunts. and Cambs., from Feb. 1470 under the readeption, including all those of 1483-4. From his style as "gent", from the continuity of his J.P.ships and from the character of his comns., one may judge that he was a lawyer; and his litigation with Elizabeth Gymer over Diddington, lasted 1457-70.² Pardoned, June 1471, "of Gamlingay, Cambs., gent., *alias* of Weresle, *alias* of Temmesford, Beds.". An elector of Hunts. 1478; sheriff, Cambs. and Hunts., 1487-8; with William Tailard, clerk, Thomas Tailard, clerk, John Tailard and ðrs. he was a feoffee of Diddington, Buckton, etc.³ comnr. of subsidy for Hunts., apptd. by Parlt., 1504.⁴

D. 1505, succeeded by his s. Walter.⁵ Brass and stone in Diddington church.⁶ Will of William Tailard, gent.; dat. 22 Sept., pr. 12 Oct. 1505. To be bur. at "Dodington". Bequests to Elizabeth his wife, with remainder to William s. of Walter Tailard. Lands at Preston to Lawrence Tailard. Exors. :—his wife, sons Dr. William Taillard and John Tailard.⁷

TAILBOYS (TAYLBOYS), JOHN (1395-1467); of Stallingborough, Lincs. M.P. LINCOLNSHIRE 1439-40.

Yr. s. of Sir Walter Tailboys of Kyme, M.P. (*d.* 1418), and yr. bro. of Sir Walter Tailboys of Kyme (*d.* 1444). *M.* Agnes, da. and h. of Robert Cokefield of Nuttall, Notts., and had issue John (sometimes called Walter) who died *v.p.* leaving a da. and h., Margaret.⁸

Eschr., Lincs., 1424-5; sheriff, Lincs., Jan. to Dec. 1426; elector, Lincs., 1425, 1426, 1437; J.P. Lindsey, 17 Feb. 1437 till death; one of those who raided the manors of Lord Cromwell, 1433; one of those comsnd. to keep Newstead abbey, 1434; sent to France with archers, June 1434; on Lincs. comns. from 1431 to 1439; had the custody of the lands late of Robert Roos with the marriage of the da. and h., Eleanor, 1441; exempted from all offices, including Knight of the Shire, Mar. 1442; elector of Lincs., always heading the list, 1442, 1447, 1450 and 1453; accused of instigating the attacks on John Dymnock, July 1448; exor. in 1454 of the will of Ralph, lord Cromwell, whom he had raided in 1433;⁹ pardoned, Jan. 1458, as of Stallingborough, Lincs.; an apportioner of the subsidy in Lindsey, 1463;¹⁰ a trustee of his nephew, Sir William Tailboys of Kyme who was beheaded 1464 (*q.v.*).

D. 16 Apr. 1467, leaving a g. da. and h. as above.

TAILBOYS, Sir ROBERT (1440-95); of Kyme and Stallingborough, Lincs. M.P. LINCOLNSHIRE 1472-5, 1478.

S. and h. of Sir William Tailboys, "Earl of Kyme" (1416-64) (*q.v.*), by

¹ *Geneal. N.S.* xix. 160.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 15/342, 44/84.

³ *Hunts. Feet of Fines*, G. J. Turner, pp. 113, 115.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 535.

⁵ *V.C.H. Hunts.* ii. 270-1.

⁶ To self and wife, 5 sons and 7 das.; the wife's heraldic mantle bore in the first quarter :— or, a cross engrailed between 4 martlets, gules; whence she may be supposed to be an Ansty heiress (*Monumental Brass Soc. Trans.* iii. 145).

⁷ *P.C.C.*, 37 Holgrave.

⁸ *Ex inf.* Canon Foster.

⁹ *Test. Vetust.* 276.

¹⁰ *Fine Roll*, 3 Edw. IV (m.19).

Elizabeth da. of William, lord Bonville. *M.* Elizabeth da. of Sir John Heron. He got his father's attainder reversed in his first Parlt.¹ and was kntd. in his second, 1478. An elector, Lincs., 1472, when elected. J.P. Lindsey, 8 Dec. 1471 to 8 Nov. 1475; J.P. Kesteven, 10 Nov. 1475 to 20 Sept. 1485 and 20 Nov. 1485 till death. On a dozen Lincs. comns. from Feb. 1471 onwards, including all those of 1483-4. Sheriff, Lincs., 1480-1.

D. 30 Jan. 1495, when George, aged 28, was his s. and h.; lands in seven counties. Will of Sir Robert Tailboys, lord of Kyme and Redesdale, dat. 16 Nov. 1494, pr. 14 June 1495.² To be bur. in Kyme Priory beside his wife, and a tomb with pictures of them both to be erected. Bequest to s. George. Exors.:—William Hussy knt., Thomas Welby, Thomas Wymbysh, and three clerks. Supervisors, the bishops of Durham and Chichester.

His s. George, warden of the marches towards Scotland, was out of his mind in 1499, and George's son Gilbert (M.P. Lincs.) *m.* the King's mistress and was made lord Talboys, 1529.³

TAILBOYS (TAYLBOYS), (Sir) WILLIAM (1416-64); "Earl" of Kyme. M.P. LINCOLNSHIRE 1445-6.

S. and h. of Walter Tailboys of Kyme (*d.* 1444), by his first wife; *m.* Elizabeth da. of William, lord Bonville, with whom he had Yeovilton, Som.; she *d.* Feb. 1491.

As King's squire he was granted the keeping of Harbottle castle and Otterburn, Nhd., June 1444; also of Sotby, Lincs., all being late the lands of Walter Tailboys, whose heir he is. J.P. Lindsey 4 June 1444 to 13 Dec. 1453; J.P. Nhd., 26 Oct. 1444 to 10 Dec. 1455; J.P. Kesteven, 3 Apr. 1446 to 23 Nov. 1458; pardoned with his wife, 3 Nov. 1446. But in May 1448 a comn. *o. & t.* was set up concerning evil-doers adhering to Tailboys, late of Kyme; in July the comn. are to hear the complaint of John Dymoke esq., that he had been threatened by William and John Tailboys; in Nov. 1448 Tailboys and his sureties secured a pardon. But the Parlt. of 1449-50 thought differently:—William Tailboys, late of South Kyme, Lincs., esq., "named and noysed for a common murderer", attacked, on 28 Nov. 1449, Lord Cromwell, the King's Chamberlain, with intent to murder him while he was on the way to the Star Chamber to attend a Council. At least Cromwell was hustled in Westminster Hall by "Kyme's" party of armed retainers. Tailboys of Kyme was of Suffolk's party, whereupon Cromwell charged Suffolk with having instigated Tailboys to assassinate him. They denied the charge, but the Council, at the Commons request, sent Tailboys to the Tower, and eventually a jury condemned him to pay the immense fine of £3,000 to Lord Cromwell. Tailboys had a feud with lords Willoughby, Cromwell and Welles, and the assault may have been simply connected with this matter, but he was under the protection of Suffolk and Viscount Beaumont. On 24 Aug. 1451 Tailboys and 19 others of So. Kyme were outlawed for an old murder of John Saunderson.⁴ This self-styled "Earl of Kyme" was pardoned, Oct. 1455, and Jan. 1458, as "late of South Kyme, *alias* late of Galthagh (Goltho), Lincs., esq."; restored to respectability, if not to solvency, he was put on a Lincs. comn., Feb. 1459; but the Lancastrian Parlt. of

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 18.

² *P.C.C.*, 24 Vox.

³ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Wm. Talboys.

⁴ Gairdner, *Paston Letters*, ed. 1904, 59n.

Nov. 1459 named him, "late of Enfield, Mdsx., esq." among those, "maintaining robbers and peacebreakers".¹ In 1460, however, he was with Queen Margaret and he fought at St. Albans where he was kntd., 19 Feb. 1461;² attainted, 1461. From Nov. 1461 to July 1462 Tailboys held Alnwick for Queen Margaret and surrendered 31 July 1462.³ He rejoined the Lancastrians, fought at Hedgley Moor, 25 Mar. 1464,⁴ fled from, and presumably fought at, Hexham, 15 May 1464. Two months later he was caught hiding in a coal mine in Redesdale with 3,000 marks of the Lancastrian funds on him; taken to Newcastle and there beheaded, 20 July 1464.² The attainder was reversed on the petition of his son, Sir Robert (*q.v.*) in 1472.

TAILBOYS, WILLIAM (1445-80); of Goltho, Lincs., gent.⁵ M.P. Weymouth 1472-5.

Yr. s. of Sir William Tailboys, "Earl" of Kyme, M.P. (1416-64) by Elizabeth (Bonville), and yr. bro. to Sir Robert Tailboys M.P. (1440-95). After his father's attainder in 1461, his mother had been allowed to keep Yeovilton on the Dorset border of Somerset, as being of her inheritance. Through her no doubt he sat for Weymouth; and in this Parlt. his brother got the attainder reversed.

Probably he supported the Readeption govt., pardoned, 6 Feb. 1472;⁵ a Lincs. elector 1472 when elected for Weymouth. A rival Lincolnshire squire, Brian Talbot (M.P. 1472), had been granted Newton-Kyme, Yorks., and in the 1472 Parlt. had got exempted from restitution in respect of this Kyme manor.⁶ There may have been other cause of quarrel. So Talbot had Tailboy's wife, Audrey, arrested at Aldenham and lodged in the Marshalsea; then he sued William and Audrey; then William and Audrey, and John Wykes and Margaret his wife, sued the sheriffs of London for abetting Brian in the imprisonment of Audrey, 1475/80.⁷ And William Tailboys and Audrey are never heard of again.

TAILLOUR see TAYLOR.

TALBOT, BRIAN (1430-83); of Fleet, Lincs., esq.; customer. M.P. RUTLAND 1472-5.

He *m.* Katherine, widow of John Harington and da. and h. of Sir John Culpeper of Exton, Rutland.⁸

J.P. Kesteven and Rutland, May to Nov. 1460; apptd. controller of customs in Boston, 31 July 1460, and again 26 Mar. 1461; comsnd. with John Mauleverer to arrest spreaders of false news, 28 Aug. 1460; granted the lands in Yorks. forfeited by Sir William Tailboys of Kyme, 21 Dec. 1461; pardoned, Dec. 1462, with Katherine his wife, late wife of John Harington; pardoned again, 21 Nov. 1468, as of Flete, Lincs. The Parlt. of 1467 and 1472 exempted him from resumption in regard to the Kyme lands; on Rutland or Lincs. comns. 1465 to 1472; sheriff, Rutland, 11 Apr. to 9 Nov. 1471; J.P. Kesteven, 21 Aug. 1471 to 10 Nov. 1475; and, after his return as M.P. for Rutland, J.P. Rutland, 28 Nov. 1473 to 14 May 1483.

¹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 368.

² *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir William Tailboys.

³ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 249.

⁴ *Harl. Soc.* lii. pp. 945-6.

⁵ Pardon Roll, 1471/2—of Kyme, Lincs., esq., *alias* son of Sir William Tailboys kn., late of Kyme, *alias* late of Golthaug, Lincs., gent.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 64/741.

⁸ *Geneal. N.S.* xx. 29.

He was of Exton, Rutland, in Sept. 1483;¹ J.P. N'hants., 26 June to 5 Dec. 1483; quarrelling with the Tailboys of Kyme, during which disputes he obtained the imprisonment in the Marshalsea of Audrey wife of William Tailboys (*q.v.*).² He died *c.* Oct. 1483.

TALBOT, Hon. Sir CHRISTOPHER (1419-43); of Treeton, Yorks. M.P. SALOP 1442.

Born after 1416, when his eldest bro. was born, being third s. of John Talbot, 1st earl of Shrewsbury, by his first wife, Maud Nevill, da. and coh. of Thomas, lord Furnival.

Kntd. in his infancy, since there is a demise, by Sir Christopher Talbot, Thomas Everingham (*q.v.*), etc., to Richard Oxpring of Cudworth, Yorks., dated 3 Aug. 1433.³ Still obviously under age, on 29 June 1435, the muster was taken of the troops of Sir Christopher Talbot and John Nanfan esq., about to proceed to France. On 7 June 1437 he was a feoffee of the manor of Buildwas and Wombridge, Salop.

But this Talbot was the champion tilter of his day. 1 Nov. 1440, "There is one come to England, a knight out of Spain, will run a course with a sharp spear whom either Sir Richard Wodeville or Sir Christopher Talbot shall deliver to the worship of England."⁴

J.P. Salop, 28 Feb. to 6 May 1441, and 30 May 1443 till death; J.P. Yorks., 4 May 1442 till death. In Dec. 1441 he was elected for Salop, but the Shrewsbury accounts of 1442/3 record a payment for bread and wine at a presentation to Christopher Talbot and his wife and to Sir James Urmand (? Ormond, *i.e.* Butler) on their first visit, so that it seems unlikely that he troubled to come to Shrewsbury when he was elected. In Dec. 1442, described as King's knight, he had a 19 mark pension granted to him out of Notts., and the King's Knights, John and Christopher Talbot, were granted a £20 pension out of Salop, May 1443.⁵

On the 10 Aug. 1443 his servant slew him at Cause with a tilting lance.⁶ There must have been some doubt as to this being an accident, for in 1446 Sir Thomas Dacre was pardoned—save for any complicity in the felony of the death of Christopher Talbot, knt.

He must have married, for there is reference to a child of his buried at Shrewsbury in 1443.

TALBOT, EDMUND (1440-96); of East Retford, Notts.; Troner of Hull.

M.P. Grimsby 1483 Jan.

S. and h. of — Talbot of Gladebon-Wodehouse, Notts.; *m.* Margaret (*d.* 1496).⁷

¹ *Rutland Visitns.* p. 22.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 64/741.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 312.

⁴ *Paston Letters*, i. 41.

⁵ John Talbot claimed as survivor the £20 pension granted in May 1443. The Parl. of 1449-50 exempts from the Act of Resumption John Talbot, knt., Christopher Talbot, knt. and John Brigge, esq., all now dead, respecting the £20 pension out of Salop (*Rot. Parl.* v. 191). Yet the *Dict. Nat. Biog.* in the article on his father, says that Sir Christopher Talbot was killed at Northampton in July 1460.

⁶ 25 Nov. 1445. Griffin Vachan, of Treflidian in Wales, knt., struck to the heart and slew with a lance (2s.) Christopher Talbot, knt., then his master, on 10 Aug. 1443 at Cause, Salop (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*).

⁷ See will, note ⁵ on p. 838.

In 1466 he was one of those involved in the capture of Henry VI, and the reward made to him on this occasion was exempted from the Act of Resumption 1467,¹ as was also the grant to him and his bro. Richard of the next presentation to "Robbylchester", Lancs.² He received similar exemptions in 1473;³ on 19 Aug. 1471 was made tronier of Hull; on comns. in Yorks. and Lincs., 1473 to 1481; represented East Retford when an agreement was reached between that town and Nottingham, Sept. 1482.⁴ He was granted an annuity of £20 in lieu of grant to himself and his bro. Richard, then deceased, 6 Sept. 1484.

D. Aug. 1496; will dat. 11 Aug., pr. 25 Aug. 1496.⁵

TALBOT, Hon. Sir GILBERT (1451-1516); of Grafton, Worcs., K.G. Esq. of the Body 1473-83; Knt. of the Body and P.C. 1485-1509; Lieut. of Calais 1507; Chamberlain of N. Wales, 1508. M.P. SALOP or Shrewsbury (? 1484), 1485-6; SALOP (? 1487, ? 1489-90), 1491-2, 1495.

Third s. of the second Earl of Shrewsbury (*d.* 1460) by Elizabeth, da. of James, earl of Ormond, and nephew of Sir Humphrey Talbot M.P. (1438-93); *m.* (1) Elizabeth widow of Thomas, lord Scrope of Masham (1429-75), and da. of Ralph, lord Greystoke; (2) after 1483, Ethelreda widow of Richard Gardiner, mayor of London, and da. of Sir John Cotton of Lanwade.

One of the King's carvers by 1473, and he had co. Wexford granted to him that year, during the minority of his nephew, the fourth earl; steward of Whitchurch and Blakemere, Oct. 1473; was granted Stottesden, Salop, by D. of Norfolk, 1475; and stewardship of Wem, 1481. J.P. Salop, 1477 to June 1483, 1485 till death; served on the King's expedition to France 1475; on subsidy comn. for Salop, 27 Apr. 1483. In the ballad of Blind Harry he takes a leading part in helping the Princess Elizabeth to substitute Henry VII for Richard III;⁶ he avoided attainder and forfeiture; was pardoned, 4 July 1484;⁷ but committed himself when, with 200 men—the whole power of the Earldom of Shrewsbury—he joined Henry Tudor at Newport, Salop, on 20 Aug. 1485. He was Henry's first English adherent, commanded the right wing at Bosworth, was wounded, and the first of those knighted on the field.

Sheriff of Salop, 12 Sept. 1485, with £100 towards his expenses; Knt. of the Body and P.C.; he had Grafton, forfeited by Humphrey Stafford, 1486; a commander and banneret at Stoke 1487; served against the French under the Emperor, 1490; K.G. 11 Jan. 1495—and governor of Calais. As for the nature of the services expected of this most powerful commoner—"Address you unto us", the King writes, "with six score tall men on horseback defensively arrayed, without any delay, to meet with us at our manor of Woodstock on 24th of this month" (against

¹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 584. ² *ibid.* v. 599. ³ *ibid.* vi. 92. ⁴ *Records of Nottingham*, iii. 427.

⁵ To be bur. in Friars Preachers, London. Bequest to churches at York, Southwell, Beverley, Ripon and East Retford. Bequest to sisters Anne and Jenett. Prior of Charterhouse, Hull, to have his letter of brotherhood of the said House. Masses for self and for Margaret his late w. Residue to bro. Nicholas and he sole exor. His father's lands at Gladebon-Wodehouse at disposition of Nicholas (P.C.C., 1 Horne).

⁶ Talbot is said to have been summoned from Sheffield castle—"a gentle squire forsooth is he; there durst no serjeant him arrest" (Miss Strickland, *Lives of the Queens*, ii. 60).

⁷ As of Shifnal, esq., *alias* of Blakemere, *alias* late of London, *alias* late Squire of the Body to Edward IV (m.2). At other times he was also pleased to call himself, "cit. and mercer of London, and merchant of the staple of Calais."

Warbeck in Devon), 12 Sept. 1497;¹ or as in 1504, when he was sent on embassy to Rome. He bore the sword before the Prince of Wales when he visited the city, 1498;² was made counsellor to the Prince 1503; lieut. of Calais 1507; chamberlain of N. Wales, 1508; captain of Calais 1509. He was ambassador to Maximilian, Oct. 1508 and to Louis XII, 1509.

D. 19 Sept. 1516, bur. at Whitchurch, Salop;³ ancestor in the male line of the present Earls of Shrewsbury.

TALBOT, Hon. Sir HUMPHREY (1438-93); of Berks. and Calais; knight of the Body 1473-83; Marshal of Calais 1486-93. M.P. BERKSHIRE 1478.

Second s. of John, earl of Shrewsbury (d. 1453), by his second wife, Margaret, eld. da. of Richard Beauchamp, earl of Warwick. M. Jane da. and coh. of John Champernoun.⁴

First mentioned in 1469 when already knighted. The same year he commanded the Duke of Norfolk's forces at the siege of Caister.⁵ About this time the manor at "Coloughdon", Coventry, was settled upon him by the Duke.⁶ On 6 Sept. 1473, as knt. of the body, he was granted a pension of £40 from the Shrewsbury estates in Heref. and Salop. In the 1475 expedition to France he was paid for 10 men-at-arms and 100 archers.⁷ Sheriff, Oxon. and Berks., 1479-80; served as ambassador several times; in 1483 to negotiate with France;⁸ in 1486 to Maximilian, King of the Romans;⁹ in 1486 to Rome;¹⁰ and in 1493 to take the insignia of the garter to Alphonso, duke of Calabria.¹¹ In 1480 he was granted a house in Calais and in 1486 he was granted, perhaps the same house then called "Le Vynes", which Sir John Scott (q.v.) had had. By 1486 he was marshal of the town of Calais, which office he held until death.

D. 3 Dec. 1493, when George, earl of Shrewsbury, was his h.¹² Will dat. 18 Feb. 1493, pr. 11 Nov. 1494.¹³ Lands in Berks. and Salop.

TALBOT, ROBERT (1425-75); of Melcombe or Dorchester; ? lawyer. M.P. Shaftesbury 1447.

Perhaps s. of Simon Talbot, a Dorset elector in 1447.

In 1482 Robert Talbot and Jane, his wife, late wife of Thomas Russchton, released to Thomas Hoskin a burgage called Le Rakehay in Dorchester.¹⁴ Robert Talbot was also on a Dorset Inq. p.m. jury in 1466 and pledge for the Melcombe M.Ps. in 1467.

¹ Ellis, *Original Letters*, 1st series, i. 33.

² Kingsford, *Chronicle*, 224.

³ H. T. Weyman; *Salop Shreds and Patches*, iv. 26; Owen and Blakeway, *Salop*, i. 210; *Salop Arch. Trans.* viii. 433; Garbet, *Wem*, 354; Duncombe, *Herefordshire*, ii. 383. ⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1480), 243. She survived to 1506. ⁵ *Paston Letters*, ii. 369.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 170. Act of 1478 Parl., settling Mowbray estates on the D. of York, was not to be prejudicial to Sir Humphrey Talbot re grant of Coloughdon.

⁷ *Foedera*, V. iii. 56.

⁸ *ibid.* V. iii. 135.

⁹ *ibid.* V. iii. 182.

¹⁰ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 415.

¹¹ *Foedera*, V. iv. 59.

¹² *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. Nos. 959, 997. E. of Shrewsbury was his great-nephew.

¹³ ——— Marshal of Calais. To be bur. where he dies. Nephew Sir Gilbert Talbot to have rule of his men. Bequest to Humphrey s. of Sir Gilbert his godson. His "livelode" in Salop to be made sure to his wife. A great book in English of the Siege of Troy to be given to the da. of Master Roger Marshall, physician. To the king's mother a flower set with diamonds and 3 pearls. Exors. — John a Royden and Thomas à Bonthe. Supervisors: "my lady my sister" — my lord of — lord Daubeney (P.C.C.; see also *Test. Vetusta*, 410).

¹⁴ Mayo and Gould, *Dorchester*, 309.

The farm of the subsidy and ulnage on cloth at Bristol was granted in Oct. 1460 to John Poutrell and John Peke, on the mainprise of Robert Talbot of St. Dunstan's in the East, London, and of Thomas Lute of London, gent.¹ (*q.v.*). Robert Talbot "of Bristol" sued the mayor and corporation of Southampton, 1465/80. We think all these were one Robert and he a lawyer.

TAME, WILLIAM; of Cambridge. M.P. Cambridge 1449-50.
A Cambridge boro' elector, 1442, 1453, 1455.

TAMWORTH, JOHN (1395-1450); of Hastings. M.P. Winchelsea 1419, 1422, 1427-8; Hastings 1435, 1445-6.

Perhaps s. of Henry Tamworth M.P. for Hythe 1432.

He witnessed a deed at Battle, Sussex, in July 1430; sued for land in Sussex about the same time. With Thomas St. Leger he fined with William Parker and Margaret his wife, for the manor of Stonelink in Brede, Sussex, and for Orlestone, Kent, which William Scott has held for life—the right was granted to Tamworth and St. Leger and to Tamworth's heirs, 1425.² He was bailiff of Hastings; for Thos. Stoughton (*q.v.*), the King's purveyor of sea-fish, had been granted the office of bailiff of Hastings, 17 Aug. 1445, and this was revoked, because John Tamworth, the bailiff of Hastings, opposed it on the ground that the town chose its own bailiffs, and he cited *Magna Carta*, and won his case, 10 Feb. 1446.³

This John Tamworth must not be confused with men of the same name, one of whom was a Lincolnshire customer and eschr., and the other a gent. of Bermondsey who was out with Cade.

TANCRED (TANKRET), RICHARD (1415-75); of Tavistock. M.P. Tavistock 1442, 1450-1.

This is a Tavistock name, and he was probably descended from "Sir" Robert Tancred (M.P. Tavistock 1341).

Richard Tancred leased a tenement and garden in Tavistock from John Windsor in Dec. 1468, and is named as a feoffee in a Tavistock deed in 1469; probably dead by 1491, when the garden in Tavistock was leased to another.⁴

TANFIELD, ROBERT, the elder (1415-80); of London and of Thingdon and Gayton, N'hants. Of the Exchequer; Customer of London 1461-7; lawyer.

M.P. MIDDLESEX 1449 (1). Lancastrian.

S. of Francis Tanfield of Gayton, ? by a da. of Lovell.⁵

J.P. N'hants., of the quorum, 20 Nov. 1443 to 1 Sept. 1460, 5 Apr. 1464 to 12 July 1470, 16 Nov. 1470 to 1471, 4 Apr. 1473 till death; on comns. in London and Middlesex 1448 to 1460; on Yorks. comns. of *oyer* and gaol delivery 1453 to 1460. He had had a pension of 20 marks which was exempted from resumption in 1449/50. In 1452 he had lent the King £720, probably in connection with the London customs; and in 1454 money was paid to the Queen by the hands of Robert Tanfield. He occurs at the Exchequer in 1454-5, 1459;⁶ but was pardoned Oct. 1455, as "of Thingden, N'hants." (m.30).

¹ Fine Roll, 39 Hen. VI (m.9).

² *Sussex Feet of Fines*, 238.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1446), 427.

⁴ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

⁵ Pink MSS.; but as Pink marries Robert to Elizabeth da. of Edward Broke, lord Cobham, whose s. and h. was born c. 1450, one remains doubtful.

⁶ Issue Rolls.

He was, of course, Lancastrian, and in May 1461 the eschr. of N'hants. was directed to seize his lands; pardoned with the other Lancastrians 5 Feb. 1462 as "of Gayton, N'hants., *alias* of London, gent., *alias* late customer of London" (m.39). In July 1463 he was re-apptd. as customer of London, and he had a grant in the following Sept. of land in Warwick. Elector, N'hants., 1467, 1472; on comns. in Mdsx., N'hants. and Notts. with other lawyers, 1467 to 1473. Pardoned 1468, 1470, 1471, always "of Gayton, N'hants., and customer of London", and in 1471 "*alias* senior" also. He appears so often with other lawyers and on such comns. that he must have been a lawyer.

D. 19 Nov. 1480, when Robert, aged 40, was his s. and h. This Robert was M.P. Lostwithiel 1467.

TANFIELD, ROBERT, junior (1440-84); of Cransley and Gayton, N'hants. M.P. Lostwithiel 1467-8.

S. and h. of Robert Tanfield of Thingdon and Gayton, M.P. (1415-80); *m.* Elizabeth, heiress of Everdon, Hunts.

Orders were issued for his arrest in Oct. 1460 and June 1461 when called "junior of Cranesley"; but J.P. Hunts., 4 Jan. 1474 to 1475, and Oct. 1480 till sheriff of Cambs. and Hunts., 1482-3. He was 40 at his father's death in 1480, and himself died 22 Feb. 1484, when Robert aged 22 was his s. and h.¹ The widow survived unmarried and was pardoned, 1 May 1491, "Elizabeth late wife of Robert Tanfield late of Gayton, N'hants., junior, esq., s. and h. of Robert Tanfield sen., *alias* Elizabeth late of Everdon, Hunts." (m.31).

TANFIELD, WILLIAM (1450-87); of Cransley, N'hants. M.P. Northampton boro' 1478.

Yr. s. of Robert Tanfield of Gayton, N'hants., M.P. (1415-80) by a da. of Lumley,² and yr. half-bro. of Robert Tanfield M.P. (1440-84).

J.P. N'hants., 4 Feb. 1477 till death; on N'hants. comns. 1478 onwards, including the subsidy comn. of Aug. 1483 and the arrays of 1484; on gaol deliveries at Northampton 1479 to Oct. 1487. As of Cransley, he was a feoffee for Richard Broughton, 1481.³

D. 26 Nov. 1487, when Robert, aged 27, s. of Robert bro. of William, was his nephew and h.; lands—Merston manor in Cransley, N'hants. Will, dat. 2 Oct. 1487, pr. 9 Feb. 1488. To be bur. in St. Andrew's, Cransley. Bequests to sis. Agnes, to William Tanfield of Oxford a gown and 20s., to w. Anne the manor of Cransley. The manor of "Barnechamys", Essex, to be sold. Exix. :—w Anne, "Sir" John Lorimer and John Walker.⁴

TANKRET see TANCRED.

TATE, Sir JOHN (1445-1515); ald. of London, mercer and stapler, and of Woolley, Berks. M.P. London 1504, 1510.

Yr. son of Thomas Tate of Coventry and yr. bro. of Robert Tate M.P.⁵ (1440-1500); *m.* (1) Margaret, da. and h. of John Croke,⁶ and (2) Magdalene.

Elector, London, 1467, 1472, 1478; alderman 26 Mar. 1485 till death; sheriff

¹ Baker, *N'hants.* ii. 276.

² *ibid.* ii. 275.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 28.

⁴ P.C.C., 6 Milles.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 361.

⁶ Pardon Roll, 1509 (*L. & P., Hen. VIII*, i. 438, 2 m.30).

1485-6; master of Mercers' Co. 1487, 1493, 1501, 1509; auditor 1491-3; mayor 1496-7, 6 June to Oct. 1514.¹ An armed defender of the city, July 1485;² on a deputation to Henry VII after Stoke fight, 1487;³ kntd. June 1497; pardoned as a stapler, *alias* of Westminster, 1501 and 1502. He was elected, 29 Dec. 1503, in place of Sir John Shaa who died before Parliament met, but no new writ was issued.⁴ Subsidy comnr. 1504, and in 1505 he was to go to the King "for a reformation of takyng of money";⁵ pardoned 1509 "of London, of Woolley, Berks., of Stockbury, Kent, of Clerkenwell, of Ernlode, Worcs."; and the same day, 1 July 1509, he was put on the bench for Berks. He was made Justice of the Almayne merchants in the Guildhall *Teutonicorum*, 16 Oct. 1511. Stow says he "new builded" the church of St. Anthony's hospital in London.

D. Jan. 1515; will, dat. 3 Jan., pr. 20 Jan. 1515—John Tate, ald. and cit. and mercer of London, late mayor and sheriff.⁶ To be bur. in St. Anthony's, London. Gifts to church of St. Denis, Backchurch, where a parishioner. Residue to w. Magdalene and she exix. Overseers—William Buttellar, ald., Henry Iden, gent., Henry Wodecok.⁶ His children were beneficiaries under his brother Robert's will, 1500, but none seem to have survived their father.⁷

TATE, ROBERT⁸ (1440-1500); ald. of London, mercer, and of Stockbury, Kent. M.P. London 1483 Jan., 1483 June, 1491-2.

S. and h. of Thomas Tate of Coventry, stapler, by — Poore; and bro. of Sir John Tate (*q.v.*). M. Margery da. of Richard Wood, mayor of Coventry, and had sons Robert and Richard, das. Elizabeth and Bridget.⁹

One of the staplers amerced or pardoned, Aug. 1470 and Jan. 1472; with his bro. John, a feoffee in London, 1481,¹⁰ and for Sir John Bouchier in Stockbury, Kent, 1490. Alderman, 22 Oct. 1479 onwards; sheriff, 1481-2; master of the Mercers' Co., 1482, 1490, 1498; auditor 1485-7; mayor of London 1488-9.¹¹ He was granted the custody of the lands of William Gage in Bucks., Sussex, Kent and Glos., 1499; and was then treating for money due to the city from Calais.¹²

D. 15 Dec. 1500, when Robert, aged 26,¹³ was his s. and h.; lands—Stockbury, Kent. Will, dat. 13 Nov. 1500, pr. 26 Jan. 1501.¹⁴

TAWKE, THOMAS (1406¹⁵-93); of Todham, Sussex, esq. King's servant. M.P. SUSSEX 1460-1.

Perhaps s. of Robert Tawke (*b.* 1383), of Chichester.¹⁶

¹ Beaven, *Aldermen*, ii; Jor. 11, fo. 190. ² Jor. 9, fo. 82. ³ Jor. 9, fo. 150d.

⁴ Beaven, *op. cit.* i. 273.

⁵ Repertory, i. fo. 168.

⁶ P.C.C., 4 Holder.

⁷ He was certainly kntd. 1497 and the M.P. is called knt. on both occasions. But in the 1509 pardon roll he is called esq.; he is not called knt. when J.P. for Berks., nor in the above quoted will.

⁸ Often erroneously called Sir Robert.

⁹ Jor. 10, fo. 252d.

¹⁰ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 361.

¹¹ Beaven, *Aldermen of London*, ii. 16.

¹² Repertory, i. fo. 49d.

¹³ D. 1507, and his s. Robert was kntd. 1553.

¹⁴ To be bur. in All Hallows, Barking. Bequests to Margery his w.; for the marriage of ten poor maidens; for the reparation of Coleshill in Arden. "To be distributed among the mynstralls called the waytes of London in consederacon of there grete labor and poure lyving" £10. Bequests to cousin Jane Which da. of William Cokk of Coventry, to his aunt Margery Poores of Warwick, to children of his bro. John Tate knt., and of his bro. Thomas Gilbert, and to Richard Wood his wife's bro. Exor. :—Robert Tate his eldest s. (P.C.C., 18 Moone).

¹⁵ Proof of age, 4 Hen. VI.

¹⁶ Thomas Tawke esq. of Chichester *d.* Oct. 1404; s. and h. Robert, *b.* 22 Nov. 1383 (Proof of age).

On Sussex comms. 1461, 1463; apptd., as King's servant, bailiff of Burley in New Forest, 7 July 1461—surrendered 26 Apr. 1466; elector, Sussex, 1467, 1472, 1478. His arrest was ordered by Warwick, 22 Mar. 1471.

D. 14 July 1493; when William, aged 40 (!) (60 (!) in 1501 (!)), was his s. and h. Lands—West Tytherley, Hants; Todham, Sussex; and houses in Chichester. Will, dat. 10 June 1493, pr. 28 June 1496. To be bur. St. Mary's, Southampton. Residuary legatees and exors.:—his sons William and Humphrey (P.C.C. 24 Dogett).

TAYLBOYS see TAILBOYS.

TAYLOR *alias* GISBOURNE, NICHOLAS (1465–1526); of Eynsford, Kent. Yeoman of the Chamber. M.P. Weymouth 1491–2.

S. of William Gisbourne. As King's servant and yeoman of the chamber he was granted a pension of £5 a year, Jan. 1485. D. 1526; will of Nicholas Gysbourne *alias* Taillour, dated 12 Apr., pr. 26 June 1526.¹

TAYLOR (TAILLOUR), WILLIAM. M.P. Plymouth 1447, 1453–4, 1460–1.

Probably a burgess resident in Plymouth.

TAYLOR, Sir WILLIAM (1406–83); ald. of London, grocer. M.P. London 1483 (Jan.).

Pardoned 1446, then cit. and grocer of London; licensed to buy rock alum and black foil, 1453. Auditor of London 1451–3, 1460–2; sheriff 1454–5; master of the Grocers' co. 1458, 1467, 1475, 1483; pardoned, 8 Jan. 1458; alderman 9 Mar. 1458 till death; elector in London 1467, 1478; mayor 1468–9.² In Apr. 1459 there was an affray in his ward between the lawyers of the Inns and the men of Fleet Street. The King sent for Taylor and confined him at Windsor. His case aroused the sympathy of his brother aldermen who each gave 20s. towards the cost of freeing him. In Oct. 1459 the mayor elect begged and secured his release.³ He was carrying on extensive building operations in the city 1464–8,⁴ and trading with the Mediterranean in wool and block tin, 1470. Kntd. 26 May 1471, after the defeat of the bastard Fauconberg.⁵ Pardoned 20 Dec. 1471.

D. c. Aug. 1483; will, dat. on his 77th birthday, 25 July 1483.⁶ The strange

¹ To be bur. at Aynesford where his mother lies. Bequests, to w. Katheryn, to das. Elizabeth and Mary. Certain leases to Mr. Christopher Hales the King's solicitor, and he, with w. Katheryn, to be exors. Supervisor:—Edward Johnson, yeoman of the Crowne and John Nottle of Aynesford. Lands to Kateryn, with reversion to s. Thomas. William Gisbourne his father is mentioned as having lent him money (P.C.C., 34 Porch).

² Beaven, *Aldermen*, ii. 16.

³ Nicholas, *Chron. of London*, 140; R. R. Sharpe, *London and the Kingdom*, i. 295; Jor. 6, fo. 159d. ⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1464), 324. ⁵ *Letter Book L*. 98.

⁶ To be bur., Aldermay, London, where body of Jane "my rather wyf lieth enterred". W. and children to be "clad in honest blak cloth". Masses for self and Jane and good estate of Margaret now his w. Bequests to par. ch. of Edenbridge where he was christened. To Margaret his "true and entirely welbeloved wyff" £450. Bequests to children of sisters Isabel, Margaret and Margery, £10 each. To cousin Robert Sturmy, being in his keeping, "my newe boke of Engelish that I bought of the Exor. of Henry Nichol" and £200 etc. He bequeathed also Boetius, Consolations of Philosophy. Bequest to John Parker, scrivener of London, for his labour over the will. Exors.:—William Heeck, gent., John Walles of London, grocer. Overseers:—Mr. William Dunthorpe, gent., once Clerk of the City of London, William Mainwaring, grocer, and John Parker, scrivener (P.C.C.).

thing is that a man who had never sat in Parlt. before should have been sent to represent the city at the age of 76, especially as he had secured a promise from the city in 1479 that he should not be forced to be mayor in future on account of his great age.¹

TEMSE (TEMISE), THOMAS (1407²-75); probably of Salisbury. M.P. Salisbury 1447.

Perhaps bro. of William Temise, or Themse, M.P. for Calne 1432 and Devizes 1453; *m.* 1427 Agnes (*b.* 1411), da. and h. of John Levesham of Wilts.³

A feoffee of Wyke by Laycock, Wilts., 1430;⁴ sworn to the peace in Wilts. 1434; elector in Wilts. 1453.

D. 16 Mar. 1475, when William, aged 3, s. of Robert, s. of Thomas, was his g.s. and h.⁵

TEMSE (TEMYS), WILLIAM (1405-60); probably of Rood-Ashton, Wilts.⁶

M.P. Calne 1432; Devizes 1453-4.

Perhaps bro. of Thomas Temse M.P. (1407-75).

William Temse was sworn to the peace in Wilts, in 1434. In Nov. 1436 he was a feoffee of Thomas and Agnes Temse;⁷ and William Temyse was one of those to be prayed for in John St. Loo's chantry at Calne when founded in 1446. He was an elector in Wilts. 1453, when elected for Devizes; and he appears on Wilts. juries, 1456, 1459.⁸

TENDRING, WILLIAM (1435-99); of Little Birch, Essex, esq. Servant to Henry Bouchier, earl of Essex. M.P. Maldon 1478.

Perhaps s. of Thomas Tendring who occurs in Essex 1452⁹ and descended from William Tendring, M.P. Suffolk 1352; *m.* Thomassine Sydney, heiress of Herkested and Holbrook, Suff., who predeceased him.

Elector, Suffolk, 1453;¹ eschr., Essex and Herts., 1455-6; trespassed against in Suffolk 1463; pardoned, 5 Feb. 1462, with other ex-officials, as "of Bryke, Essex, esq., late escheator of Essex and Herts., *alias* of Herkested, Suff." (*m.* 34). He was admitted to the freedom of Maldon, preparatory to being elected for the borough, *c.* 1 Feb. 1478 called "esq."; that he was non-resident is shown by his being fined for non-attendance at subsequent elections in 1482, 1484.¹⁰ On 5 July 1478 he was granted the office of tronage and pesage in the port of London; pardoned with the Earl of Essex (*d.* 1483) for alienations at Maldon in connection with St. Giles hospital there, 18 Feb. 1481; comnr. of array, Essex, 1 May 1484; comnr. of subsidy, Essex, 1496, being then called senior.¹¹ He was then called senior to distinguish him from a William (1465-99) who may possibly be his son but cannot be the same man.¹²

D. 12 Mar. 1499, leaving coh.s., Dorothy (22) wife of Francis Southwell,

¹ Journal 8, fo. 210d.

² Proof of age, 1428, 6 Hen. VI.

³ Inq. *p.m.* C. 139. 36. 78 of 6 Hen. VI.

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 127.

⁵ He is not Thomas Tame of Aven, Hants, M.P. Hants 1427, who *d.* 1459.

⁶ They had land at Quernford next Calne.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1436), 26.

⁸ *Tropenell Cart.* i. 368; ii. 58.

⁹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1452), 55.

¹⁰ Maldon Court Books.

¹¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 519.

¹² Died 20 May 1499, when Richard, aged 30, was his bro. and h.; lands, manor and advowson of "Little Byrch," Essex; will, as of All Saints, Colchester, makes his bro. Richard exor., with Thomas Walton, parson of Stoneway, and Thomas Sampson his bro.-in-law; supervisor, the earl of Essex (P.C.C., 19 Moone).

Elizabeth (9) and Margaret (7); lands—Harkstead and Holbrook, Suffolk.¹ It is possible that these were the das. and coh. by his second wife; that William junior and Richard were his sons by a first wife, but the inquests were obscure at the time and are more so now.²

TERRY, JOHN (1420-70); of Bedford, yeoman. M.P. Bedford 1453-4. Lancastrian.

He was a Bedford burgess and elector in 1449 (2); as John "Sperry" he was mayor 1456, 1457, 1462; on the pardon roll, 5 Feb. 1462, on which the old Lancastrians were pardoned, appears—John Terry of Bedford, yeoman, *alias* Terre, *alias* of Eston-Mawdyt, N'hants., *alias* husbandman. In 1463 he was appointed an apportioner of the subsidy in Beds.³

TEY, Sir HENRY (1455-1510); of Colchester and Little Birch; lawyer? M.P. ESSEX 1491-2.

S. and h. of John Tey of Brightwell, Suff., by Margaret heiress of Peldon Hall.⁴

A feoffee for Sir William Finderne (*q.v.*) in Cambs., 1478-9;⁵ frequently a feoffee in Essex, 1480-95; on Essex comns. of array, May 1484, 1487, 1490; sheriff, Essex and Herts., 1488-9,⁶ 1500-1; J.P. Essex, 28 May 1490 till sheriff, and 26 Nov. 1504 till death; on gaol delivery at Colchester 1492 till death; kntd. at Blackheath, 17 June 1497; comnr. sewers 1499; exor. of will of Sir Henry Wentworth (*q.v.*) 1499; subsidy comnr., apptd. in Parlt., 1504;⁷ pardoned, 17 June 1509.⁸

D. 9 Sept. 1510, when Thomas, aged 27, was his s. and h.; lands—Essex.⁹

THICKPENNY, WILLIAM (1455-1512); of Plymouth; collr. of customs. M.P. Plymouth 1491-2, 1495.

He and Edward Faussett sued Sir Thomas Layborne on an extorted bond, 1475/85.¹⁰ Robert Symonds and Thickpenny were collrs. of customs and subsidies in Plymouth and Fowey by 1486,¹¹ and Thickpenny had licence to buy and export 1,200 pieces of tin, paying duties thereon, 8 Mar. 1486.¹² Mayor of Plymouth 1492-4;¹³ a burgess of Plymouth 1496;¹⁴ delivering seisin of houses in Plymouth 1500;¹⁵ remained collr. of customs till death shortly before 2 June 1512.¹⁶

One would like to be sure that he is the William Thikeypeny and an old colleague, "that toke payn with me in the Towre" mentioned in Edmund Dudley's will, 1510.

THIRSK (THRISK), JOHN (1405-73); ald. of York, and of Burton by Lincoln. Mayor of the Staple of Calais 1456-73; Treasurer of Calais 1467-73. M.P. York city 1445-6, 1449 (1), 1450-1, 1467-8.

¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 250.

² A comnr. was again apptd. 16 July 1500 to enquire into his lands and heir, and another, differently composed, 13 July 1501. The former inquest appears on Exchqr. file 293, No. 21, of 16 Hen. VII, but is not yet printed and has not been consulted.

³ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV (m.19).

⁴ *Visitn. Essex*, 109, 297.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 41; v. pp. 47, 66.

⁶ He was granted the largest "reward" of all, £198.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 536.

⁸ As of Colchester and Lit. Birch, Essex, *alias* of London (2 m.7).

⁹ *Inq. p.m.* 2 Hen. VIII, No. 127.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 66/234.

¹¹ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 91.

¹² *ibid.* i. 378.

¹³ R. N. Worth, *Hist. Plymouth*, 126.

¹⁴ *Hist. MSS. Com.* ix. 274. ¹⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 506. ¹⁶ *L. & P., Hen. VIII*, i. p. 582.

M. (1) (according to Scaife's lists) Christine, sister of Richard Russell, ald. of York, and (2) by 1435, Ellen da. of Halnath Mauleverer of Allerton;¹ but there were three wives, Ellen, Alice and Agnes, to be prayed for at his chantry.

He lived in Hungate, York; admtd. a freeman 1427; chamberlain 1433; sheriff 1435-6; an elector 1442, 1447, 1449 (1) (when elected), 1449 (2), 1453, 1460; mayor of York 1442-3 and 1462-3; alderman from 1453 onwards. In July 1449, after Parlt. rose, Thirsk was one of those apptd. to make a treaty of trade with Flanders; he lent money for the defence of Calais, 1450; to raise 100 marks in York, Apr. 1454; one of the merchants of the staple to raise £158 in Hull, Oct. 1454; a comnr. in Hull in 1454, and in York in 1461 and 1462; as citizen and alderman, he was pardoned Oct. 1455. He was mayor of the staple of Calais by 1456 when given a lien on the customs there as security for a loan, and treasurer of Calais, 1464;² on an embassy to Burgundy in May 1458.² He founded a guild at York, Nov. 1458; and a chantry there to pray for Parnell, late wife of Alderman Richard Russell of York, Oct. 1460; pardoned again, still mayor of the staple in 1458, and in 1464. With John Ferriby (*q.v.*), he was given the custody of the Water of Fosse by York, Nov. 1464; and in Dec. 1466 he endowed a fresh chantry where they should pray for the souls of Ellen, Alice and Agnes, his late wives.

In 1467 the mayor of the staple was apptd. treasurer and victualler of Calais, "as all mayors shall be in future."³ This was Thirsk's doing, that the staple might recover the £20,000 lent, and he accounted for the office till death, 1473. He seems to have acted as treasurer as early as 1464, and as treasurer he was on various enquiries in Picardy; he must have resided in Calais. The general pardon of 10 Jan. 1472 describes Thirsk as mayor of the Staple, *alias* mayor of York, *alias* of Burton by Lincoln, merchant.

D. c. Sept. 1473 (buried at St. John's, Hungate),¹ for the Water of Fosse was re-granted in July 1474, having been in the King's hands by the death of John Thirsk since Michaelmas last. He raises the interesting problem of how a man could conveniently live and work and hold office simultaneously at York, Calais and Westminster.

THOMAS, THOMAS (1450-1509); of Southampton, merchant, or esq.; customer. Constable of Southampton; Squire of the Body. M.P. Southampton 1495.

Messrs. Thomas, John, Philip and William (*qq.v.*) all came from Wales in the train of Henry VII, and nearly shared the fate of Empson and Dudley. Apptd. customer of Southampton, 7 Nov. 1486, renewed continually up to 1509; on gaol delivery, Southampton 1487; subsidy comnr. there, apptd. by Parlt., 1497.⁴ Having been searcher of S'hampton he was exempted from pardon, with Empson and Dudley, 30 Apr. 1509; pardoned, however, next day, as of Southampton, esq., *alias* merchant, late searcher and controller there, and esq. of the body to Henry VII;⁵ again, on 30 May, he was to have the general pardon from which he had been exempted.⁶ Thomas and Robert Johns were put under a bond to pay Roger

¹ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

² *Foedera*, V. ii. 80.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1467).

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 518.

⁵ *L. & P.*, Hen. VIII, i. 438 (1 m.38).

⁶ *ibid.* i. 54 (89).

Machado, Richmond Herald, £10 a year for his life, 20 Nov. 1509¹—probably the price of pardon. But he was dying or dead, for, on 29 Dec. 1509, Sir William Sandes was made Constable of Southampton, vacant by the death of Thomas;² on 2 Dec. 1509 an untrue inquest taken at Carisbroke castle by Thomas and others was to be amended.³ In Jan. 1510 Piers de Champaign was made searcher of Southampton in his place.⁴

THOMAS (TOMAYS), WILLIAM (1420–80); of Cambridge. M.P. Cambridge boro' 1449 (1).

In Dec. 1449 he was a trustee of land at Brinkley, Cambs., in connection with the church of Burgh, Cambs. Cambridge boro' elector, 1453 (Thomays), 1478 (Thomas).

THOMASYN, DAVID; of Wycombe, yeoman. M.P. Wycombe 1453–4.

David Thomasson of Wycombe, yeoman, was owed 20 marks in Nov. 1456⁵—and that is all.

THORESBY (THORISBY), HENRY (1400–60); ald. of Lynn, merchant.

M.P. Lynn 1445–6, 1450–1, 1455–6.

S. of John Thoresby, mayor of Lynn in 1425.

In 1434 he was a feoffee of Hellington, Norfolk; mayor of Lynn 1439–40, 1442–4, 1456–7. He is called alderman of the guild of Holy Trinity, Lynn, in Feb. 1448; pardoned 20 Nov. 1455, as “of Lynn, merchant and burgess, *alias* of Askewekyn, N’hants.” (m.8)—issued while sitting for Lynn; and again with the same description, 20 Jan. 1458 (m.19).

THORESBY (THURSBY), ROBERT (1435–99); of Lynn, merchant.

M.P. Lynn 1463–5, 1483 (Jan.).

S. of Henry Thursby, alderman of Lynn (*q.v.*). Admtd. freeman 1456/7. Exor. of the will of William Caus of Lynn (*q.v.*) 1475.⁶ In 1475/85 Robert Thursby of Ashwicken, Norfolk, sued the exors. of William Judde on bonds given by Robert and John Thursby of Lynn, merchants.⁷ He took out a pardon, 6 Aug. 1488, in the form “of Lenn, merchant, *alias* one of the burgesses of Lenn, *alias* Thoresby,” whence one may imagine that he was sent up to the great council of 1488. His bro. Thomas founded a college for the priests of Lynn and died 1510, having been three times mayor; the Henry Thursby who died 1507/8⁸ may be Robert’s son.

D. shortly before 19 Nov. 1499, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Norfolk.⁹

THORNBURY, JOHN (1415–73); of Faversham, Kent. King’s Servant.

M.P. KENT 1453–4. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir Philip Thornbury of Little Munden, Herts., M.P.

As he was not sworn to the peace in 1434 he was presumably then under age. By May 1438 he was married and, with Anne his wife, settled at Collingbourne-Valence, Kent. J.P. Herts., 24 July 1437 to 4 July 1439; on Kent comns., 1438

¹ *L. & P.*, Hen. VIII, i. ² *ibid.* i. 357 (9). ³ *ibid.* II. i. 325. ⁴ *ibid.* i. 357 (26).

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1456), 313.

⁶ P.C.C., 18 Wattys.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/84.

⁸ *Inq. p.m.* 230 Henry VII.

⁹ Fine Roll, 15 Hen. VII (m.2).

to the Lancastrian ones of early 1460. This man was an almost professional itinerant escheator—of Hants and Wilts. 1438–9; of Essex and Herts. 1441–2; of Kent and Mdsx. 1456–8; of Devon and Cornwall 1476–7; and he was sheriff, Kent, 1445–6; feoffee for Richard Waller of Speldhurst, Kent, in 1443; and for Humphrey Ewyas of Esthall, Kent, in 1450 to 1473.¹

That this man, so obviously an official, required a pardon for being out with Cade in June 1450 shows rather the popularity of the pardon than of the offence. He was certainly returned for Kent as a safe Lancastrian in 1453, and nominated for Kent to the great council of May 1455 in the same spirit. After the Yorkists came to power he was pardoned with other Lancastrians, 15 May 1462, “of Faversham, Kent, esq., alias late sheriff, late escheator of Henry VI in Kent, Mdsx., Essex, Hunts., Hants and Wilts., late receiver of Middleton and Merden, Kent” (m.22); and again, 26 Apr. 1469, in the same terms with exception of Middleton and Merden (m.4). When Sir William Tyrell made his will in 1470 he arranged prayers for the souls of Philippe his wife and John and Anne Thornbury her parents (32 Godyn).

D. just before 23 Oct. 1473 when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Kent.² In Nov. 1486 John Thornbury, g.s. of Sir Philip Thornbury, released Munden, Herts., etc., to feoffees.³

THORNTON, RICHARD (1451–1506); ald. of York, spicer and grocer. M.P. York city 1504.

Son of Nicholas Thornton, mercer of York; m. Emmott, sister of Mr. William Tayloure, vicar of Ottley.⁴

Made free by patent 1481; chamberlain 1492–3; sheriff 1495–6; alderman 10 Nov. 1500 *vice* Thomas Scotton;⁵ mayor of York 1502–3;⁴ elected M.P. 18 Dec. 1503.

D. 1506. Will of Richard Thornton, alderman and grocer of York, dat. 10 Dec. 1506, pr. at York, 4 Jan. 1507. To be bur. in St. John Evangelist next Ouse Bridge. Bequests to w. Emmott and sons John (his heir), Richard, and Thomas.⁶

THORP, ROBERT (1445–1501); alderman of Norwich. M.P. Norwich 1484, 1487, 1489–90, 1495, 1497.

Probably s. of Robert Thorpe, a Dunwich elector 1450, 1467; but Thorpe must be a common name in Norwich.⁷

He was elected to represent Norwich on the great council of 1488;⁸ one of those apptd. by the 1497 Parl. (in which he sat) to appt. the collrs. of subsidy for Norwich.⁹ Licensed, 28 Feb. 1497, at the request of Sir Reynold Bray (*q.v.*) to found a chantry at Norwich, to pray for Bray and for Robert and Agnes his wife, Thomas his bro., Richard his son, Elizabeth and Emma his previous wives.¹⁰ On this licence he is called “alderman”.

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1473), 391.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. pp. 456, 498.

⁵ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

⁷ He cannot be the Spigurnel of the Chancery 1474–84; nor the Robert Thorpe pardoned

1458 of Stowmarket and N'hants.

⁸ *Records of Norwich*, i. 287.

² *Fine Roll*, 13 Edw. IV (m.16).

⁴ *Test. Ebor.* iv. 252 notes.

⁶ *Test. Ebor.* iv. 252–3.

⁹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 518.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1497), 84.

D. 1501; will, dat. 19 Apr., pr. at Canterbury 25 June 1501.¹ In 1509 George Clerke of Norwich was pardoned as exor. of the wills both of the alderman and his wife Agnes.²

THORP, ROGER (1432-90); of Colby Hall, Essex. Porter of Newcastle 1449-60. M.P. Truro 1453-4. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir Thomas Thorp of the Exchequer, M.P. (1410-61), Speaker in this Parliament, by his wife Jane.

In Jan. 1449 the office of porter of Newcastle-on-Tyne was granted to Thomas Thorp of the Exchequer and Roger his son. This grant was annulled by Parliament 1449/50, and renewed to Roger Thorp sole on 29 Apr. 1453 dating back to 5 Nov. 1449, when the annulling Parliament met—presumably the emoluments dated back, but not the custody. On 17 May 1453 father and son were again made joint porters, for the father was now Speaker; again Parliament annulled the grant, 1455, and again it was renewed and dated back, 6 Apr. 1457. In Oct. 1456 Roger was made controller of tronage and pesage in Newcastle as well. On 28 Feb. 1459 they gave him that famous office of which so little is known and so much expected—"Keeper of the Stank of the Water of Fosse by York." This he was forced to surrender in November 1460 being then in Guisnes with the Duke of Somerset; and, on 30 Dec. 1460, he fought at Wakefield, where he sought out and wounded Thomas Colt (*q.v.*) for getting his father imprisoned in 1454. He was summoned at the instance of Colt to appear before the King's Bench in Feb. 1462, or be attainted. He did not appear and was attainted.³ In July 1463 the men of Cheshire were pardoned, all save Roger Thorp, late of London.⁴

Long after, under Henry VII in 1485, Roger Thorp recovered £2,000 and Colby Hall, which Thomas Colt had got from him in 1462 for wounding him at Wakefield. Thorp must have died soon after, for he appears on no comms. of the Tudor restoration.

THORP, (Sir) THOMAS (1410-61); of Barnwell, Northants.; of the Exchequer from 1434;⁵ Controller of the Mint 1438-50; Treasurer's Remembrancer 1442-52; Chancellor of the Exchequer 1455; Baron of the Exchequer 1453-60; Keeper of the Privy Wardrobe 1457-60. Lawyer. M.P. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 1449-50; Ludgershall 1450-1; ESSEX 1453-4 (SPEAKER); (?) NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 1459. Lancastrian.

Probably g.s. of Thomas Thorp, M.P. Rutland 1403; *m.* Jane . . . (*d.* 23 June 1453), by whom he had Roger (1432-90) (*q.v.*).

¹ To be bur. in St. Michael's, Norwich. Many bequests for repair of roads and churches, to prisoners and lepers, to Gonville Hall, Cambridge, etc. Gown and doublet to Gregory Clerk, alderman, scarlet gown to Thomas Caus, alderman (*q.v.*), to servants, etc. To w. Agnes the house he lives in, jewellery and household goods. His "senoryes" in Baldeswell and all other lands to be sold for his will. Thorpe's in Stowmarket to niece Jane Thorpe when of age, remainders to John Bylles, John Crosby, and next of kin to Robert Thorpe. Residue to wife, Gregory Clerk, John Clerk's son, and Richard Wallour, "my priest;" and they exors. Supervisor, Thomas Drentall, parson of St. Michael (Cant. Cath. Lib. Reg. F. ff. 94, 94d).

² Brewer i, 438.

³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 483.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1463), 292.

⁵ In the Issue Rolls (Feb. 1441) he is called the "summoner of the Exchq." The Counter Roll of the Exchq. Accts., 1434-46, seems to have been drawn up by him, Henry Ragley, and Hexham; *Exchq. Accts.*, 12-24 Hen. VI, 298, 28.

A feoffee in London, "gent.", 2 May 1434; to give seisin there, 1435.¹ The office of controller of the Mint was granted in survivorship to Thorp and Henry Ragley, citizen and goldsmith of London, 14 Nov. 1438;² he was serving at the Exchequer in 1434³ and 1439;⁴ apptd. troner of Berwick-upon-Tweed, 2 Feb. 1440; troner of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 19 May 1440;⁵ eschr., Essex and Herts., 1442-3;⁶ Treasurer's Remembrancer of the Exchequer with 40 marks a year, 18 Apr. 1442 to after Aug. 1452;⁷ accounted for the coronation of Queen Margaret, 1445;⁸ J.P. Essex, 28 Mar. 1448 to 22 Jan. 1457 and 1 Aug. 1457 till death; J.P. N'hants., 5 May 1448 to 1 Dec. 1458; a comnr. in many counties (including the Lancastrian comn. of array for Essex, 21 Dec. 1459), 1448-60; a feoffee, with the Duke of Suffolk and others of Haversham, Bucks., 21 Sept. 1448.⁹ The office of "porter" of the castle of Newcastle-upon-Tyne was granted in survivorship to him and Roger his s., 29 Jan. 1449.¹⁰ Thorp was indicted by Cade at Rochester, Aug. 1450; but remained Remembrancer till presented with £200² and granted the reversion of the office of Chancellor of the Exchequer for life 22 Nov. 1452,¹¹ which office was, however, granted to Witham on Somerseth's death, Thorp being then both Speaker and Baron.

He was elected Speaker 25 Apr. 1453, being then apparently already a baron of the Exchqr. as from Easter 1453;¹² he took out a precautionary pardon, 23 May 1453. Parlt. went into recess on 2 July 1453, and when we hear of Thorp next—19 Jan. 1454—he was busy drawing up articles against the Duke of York¹³ (either in his rôle as Speaker or Baron of the Exchr.). York reached London on 25 Jan., immediately brought an action against Thorp and had him in the Fleet prison before Parliament met on 14 Feb. 1454. Thorp was fined £1,000 for trespass as well as imprisoned; he claimed privilege of Parlt.; but the Lords refused to release him in response to the Commons request, and they had to elect Charlton as Speaker in Thorp's place. Thorp was released before Nov. 1454. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mar. to Dec. 1455. At St. Albans (22 May 1455) "the Erle of Wyldefforde, Thorpe, and many others flede, and left her harneys behynde hem cowardly."¹⁴ On a petition presented to the following Parlt. the Duke of Somerset,

¹ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1429-35), pp. 311, 358.

² Renewed 22 Sept. 1442, but to Thorpe alone, during pleasure, 12 July 1448; surrendered, 21 May 1450; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1442), 125; (1448), 180; (1450), 334.

³ See note ⁵ on p. 849.

⁴ Issue Rolls.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1440), 442. On 27 Oct. 1440 the office was, however, granted in survivorship to him and William Grendon; *ibid.* (1440), 570.

⁶ He had a grant of £10 yearly out of Essex, 21 Dec. 1442—ratified for life, 3 Aug. 1445—perhaps in connection with this office; *ibid.* (1442), 137; (1445), 357.

⁷ Ratified 16 Sept. 1444. He was at the same time granted "a tun of Gascon wine or two pipes of red wine" at Christmas; *ibid.* (1444), 363. On 8 Jan. 1446 the £10 a year originally granted to him in support of this office was changed to 50 marks a year, at the Receipt of the Exchq.; *ibid.* (1446), 396. The Parlt. of 1455 allowed the petition of Richard Forde, who stated that Thorp had turned him out of office and seized the same; *Rot. Parl. v.* 343.

⁸ *Err. Accts.*, 361/6.

⁹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 307.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1449), 226. On 29 Apr. 1453 the office was granted to Roger alone for life, but again in survivorship to them both, 17 May 1453; *ibid.* (1453), 64, 81.

¹¹ *ibid.* (1452), 43. Fresh grant for life, 24 Mar. 1455; *ibid.* (1455), 230.

¹² *Rot. Parl. v.* 239. Easter fell on 1 Apr. 1453.

¹³ "Item, Thorpe of th' eschequer articuleth fast ayenst the Duke of York, but what his articles ben it is yit unknowen"; *Paston Letters*, i. 264 (19 Jan. 1454).

¹⁴ *Paston Letters*, i. 331.

Thorp and Joseph were accused of having set the King against York, and the King was asked to annul all letters patent, and that Thorp and Joseph should forfeit all grants and not come within seven miles of Kings or Queen, and be imprisoned for twelve years ; but—"Le Roy's advysera."¹ As the Queen's power recovered, Thorp came back and was keeper of the privy wardrobe, 16 Nov. 1457, was supervising King's works, Feb. 1458.

He was still being paid 40 marks a year as baron in Oct. 1455,² but may have then lost the post till apptd. by patent Second Baron of the Exchq., 12 Sept. 1458.³ With Somerset and Rivers he was ordered to take ships to seize Calais, 10 Nov. 1459;⁴ apptd. a receiver for three years of all the possessions of York and the attainted earls, 16 Mar. 1460 ; granted a yearly rent of £40 from the forfeited possessions of York, Salisbury, and the latter's wife Alice, 9 Apr. 1460 ; kntd. at Northampton, 10 July 1460.⁵ After Northampton he was imprisoned in the Marshalsea. As the victorious Queen approached London, he attempted to escape to her disguised as a monk, but the Londoners caught and beheaded him at Haringay, Mdsx., 17 Feb. 1461.⁶

THRISK see THIRSK.

THROCKMORTON (THROGHMARTON), JOHN (1385-1445) ; of Throckmorton in Fladbury, Worcs. Chamberlain of the Exchequer and Under Treasurer of England 1428-45 ; lawyer. M.P. WORCESTERSHIRE 1414, 1420, 1422, 1432, 1433, 1439-40.

S. and h. of Thomas Throckmorton of the same, M.P. Worcs. 1397, by Agnes da. and coh. of Alexander Besford ; m. 1409, Alienor,⁷ da. and coh. of Guy Spiney of Coughton, Warw.

Eschr., Worcs., 1417-9 ; sub-sheriff, Worcs., 1416-8, 1419-20, 1430-1 ; J.P. Worcs., of the quorum, Jan. 1414 till death ; J.P. Warw., 26 Oct. 1433 to 5 Dec. 1439 ; on Worcs. comms. 1430 onwards. He was also a clerk in the Treasury from c. 1410 onwards ; was granted land in Fladbury 1415/6 ; was with the Earl of Warwick at Caen 1417/8 ; clerk to the Treasurer of England *alias* Under Treasurer of England, Feb. 1428 to July/Dec. 1443, and one of the two Chamberlains of the Exchequer 1438 till death,⁸ the appointments overlapping ; each office carried 8*d.* a day.⁹ The issue rolls generally style him "clerk to the Treasurer", the patent rolls "Under Treasurer".¹⁰ He was one of the Earl of Warwick's attorneys while abroad, and one of his council with 20 marks salary from 1431 ; pardoned 1437 ; a trustee under Warwick's will, 1439 ; a keeper of Warwick lands during the minority, 1439. He had issue of stuff in connection with the coronation of the Queen, but died before the affair, 12 Apr. 1445.

¹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 333.

² Issue Rolls.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1459), 458. Ratified 8 Jan. 1460, and on 30 Nov. 1458, £33 6*s.* 8*d.* was granted him "so long as he hold the office" ; *ibid.* (1460), 549 ; (1458), 477. He had previously been third Baron.

⁵ Shaw, *Knights*, ii. 12.

⁴ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 43. They failed to do so.

⁶ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Thomas Thorpe.

⁷ In May 1448 she obtained licence, as widow of John Throckmorton, Chamberlain of the Exchequer, to found a chantry at Fladbury.

⁸ He accounts as Chamberlain of the Exchq., Mich. 1438-40, and as Treasurer's clerk, Mich. 1440-5 (Exchq. Accts. Wardrobe).

⁹ 8*d.* a day as Chamberlain, 8*d.* more as clerk to the Treasurer (Issue Rolls).

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1440).

Will, made in London, dat. 12 Apr., pr. 19 Apr. 1445.¹

This is the first of the Throckmortons of Coughton—an example of the 15th century combination of county, parliament, and executive. He was a squire of Worcs., a trustee of the Warwick estates, frequently knight of the shire, and at the same time a permanent official at the Treasury. The Lord Treasurer of England might change, his "clerk", the Under Treasurer, remained. Of the two Chamberlains of the Receipt one was generally a lord, the other sometimes the clerk to the Treasurer and always a commoner. Throckmorton's posts ranked above that of Chancellor of the King's Exchequer, below that of Treasurer of England. But whether it was a Civil Service appt. or a political and parliamentary office, is a question which would hardly enter the mind of the 15th century ruling class.

THROCKMORTON, JOHN (1420-61); of Tewkesbury, esq. M.P. WORCESTERSHIRE 1450-1.

Yr. s. of John Throckmorton M.P. (1385-1445) by Eleanor (Spiney) heiress of Coughton, Warw.; m. Isabel da. and h. of Edward Brugges of Lone, Glos.

Elector, Glos., 1447; on comn., Worcs., 1457; called "of Tewkesbury," he was pardoned in June 1457 as mainpernor of Wm. Herbert of Raglan; and on the pardon roll, 5 Jan. 1458, as "late of Tewkesbury, senior, *alias* late of Harfield, Glos." (m.21). According to Worcester² he was one of the 13 Lancastrian Captains who were beheaded with Owen Tudor after the battle of Mortimer's Cross, 4 Feb. 1461—Herbert of Raglan being there on the other side.

THROCKMORTON, JOHN (1445-72); of Haresfield, Glos., esq. M.P. Wootton-Basset (? 1470-1), 1472-5.

S. and h. of John Throckmorton of Tewkesbury and Haresfield M.P. (1420-61), by Isabel (Bridges).

Feoffee for Sir John Marney and his pledge in Bucks., 1468; pardoned, 6 June 1471 as of Haresfield, esq.; *alias* of London, gent. Therefore, not improbably, in the 1470-1 Parliament.

D. 3 Aug. 1472,³ and probably elected M.P. after death. Christopher,⁴ aged 6, was his s. and h. and his custody and marriage was granted to Earl Rivers, 1474.

THROCKMORTON, THOMAS (1415-72); of Coughton, Warw., and Throckmorton, Worcs., esq.; lawyer. M.P. WORCESTERSHIRE 1445-6, 1449 (1). Lancastrian.

S. and h. of John Throckmorton of Throckmorton M.P. (1385-1445), by Eleanor (Spiney) of Coughton. M. c. 1446, Margaret, da. and h. of Robert Olney of Weston-Underwood, Bucks.

¹ To be bur. at Fladbury in a tomb for his father, mother, self and wife, if she will. "I have been all the days of my life in my country's service in the world as the world asketh." Bequests to husbands of each of his six das.—Robert Russell, Thomas Wynslow, John Rowe, Robert Gyfford (and he to be kind to my w. and to his w., my daughter Jane), Thomas Green s. of Sir Thomas Green (then living) and Richard Knightley. To John, my younger s., all the money he oweth me. To every prison house in London 6s. 8d. Residue to his exors. for his wife and soul. Exors., his w. Alienor, s. Thomas Throckmorton, Rawlyn Ingoldesby. Overseer, Ralf Butler, lord of Sudeley and Treasurer of England (P.C.C., 31 Luffenham).

² Worcester, *Annales*, p. 776.

³ Inq. p.m. 13 Edw. IV, 120, 16.

⁴ Christopher Throckmorton sued for Haresfield in 1491 (*Geneal. N.S.* xxiii. 246). He was m. to Anne da. and h. of John Scargill of London (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 53).

He was pardoned assaults made by him in the palace of Westminster, and of the trespass and contempt incurred by him there in beating and wounding John Berry, 16 July 1443. Pardoned 1446, as of Worcestershire, gent.; elector, Worcs., 1450; J.P. Worcs., of the quorum, 8 July 1458 to 1461, and 22 Mar. 1464 to 1465; J.P. Warw., 6 Aug. 1465 till death; sheriff, Warw. and Leics., 1465-6; on comns. of array 1448 to 1472, including the Lancastrian comns. of Dec. 1459 and 1460. With his mother Eleanor he founded a chantry at Fladbury in May 1448, to pray for the soul of his father, John, and reciting that for his services to Henry IV and Henry V he was a Chamberlain of the Exchequer (1440-1445). He and his bro. John, were mainpernors for William Herbert of Raglan, the Yorkist, in 1457, when they were pardoned. Attorney General to the Prince of Wales, 20 Feb. 1457; and he was and had been steward of the bishopric of Worcester in 1459. Pardoned, Nov. 1459.¹ In Mar. 1460 the Lancastrian Govt. ordered Walter Skulle and Throckmorton to hold Worcester against the Duke of York; but he obtained a pardon from the Yorkists on 29 July 1460. It will be seen that he lost his seat on the bench when the Yorkists came in, but returned to favour in 1464. He was apptd. receiver of the lordship of Glamorgan for the Earl of Warwick, Nov. 1464.² He probably remained quietly Lancastrian, for he was a feoffee for John Hampden of Stourton (*q.v.*) in 1464. He received another pardon in June 1467, and again, after the Readeption, in Nov. 1471, where his name is spelt Frogmorton.

D. 13 July 1472, when Robert, aged 21, was his s. and h.

THUNDER, THOMAS (1400-74); of Winchelsea, merchant. Deputy Butler.

M.P. Winchelsea 1421 (1) "junior", 1426 "junior", 1431, 1435, 1445-6.

Compare Thomas Thunder, M.P. Winchelsea 1382.

On comn. to take a muster at Winchelsea in June 1449; mayor of Winchelsea 1449-50; on a piracy comn. as mayor in Dec. 1450; pardoned 14 Nov. 1452;³ piracy comn. again in 1451 and 1458 with the duke of Buckingham, then Warden of the Cinque Ports, and with Hextall (*q.v.*) the duke's lieutenant. In July 1461 he was made deputy butler of Chichester.

D. 1474. Will, dat. 14 Feb., pr. 26 May 1474.⁴ To be bur. in St. Thomas the Martyr, Winchelsea, near his father's grave. Bequest to da. Alice, and da. Anne, after the death of his wife Katrine. Residue to his wife, and she sole exix.

THURLAND (THYRLAND), THOMAS (1405-74); of Nottingham, merchant-stapler. M.P. Nottingham boro' 1442, 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1450-1, 1461-2.

Probably s. and h. of a previous Thomas Thurland; *m.* Jane, da. of Sir Robert, and sis. of Sir Henry Willoughby.⁵

Alderman 1441; mayor of Nottingham 1442-3, 1447-9, 1450-1, 1453-4, 1458-60, 1462-4; exempted from all office (including M.P.) against his will, 1443; pardoned in 1446 as "of Nottingham, merchant" (m.28); founded the guild of St. Mary's at Nottingham with Lord Cromwell, 1447; a comnr. to

¹ Pardon Roll, 1459, as of Coughton esq., *alias* of Throckmorton, *alias* late of London (m.25).

² Warrant at Coughton, *per* G. Andrews Moriarty.

³ As "of Winchelsea, gent., *alias* merchant, *alias* late mayor of Winchelsea." (m.5).

⁴ P.C.C., 15 Wattys.

⁵ *Visitn. Notts.* p. 154.

arrange a treaty of trade with Flanders, July 1449.¹ An elector of the boro' 1447, 1449 (1) (when himself elected and being Mayor), 1467 and 1472; he must have been a collr. of subsidy, for in Oct. 1449 and Oct. 1454 he was allowed to retain a subsidy as repayment of money lent by him to the King. Next year, too, he was lending money for the defence of Calais, and in 1452 he was pardoned as late mayor of the staple. In 1453 he was suing for the manor of Northcourt by Dover;² in 1454/55 he paid one pound for the dues of his s. Richard, at Lincoln's Inn.³ Pardoned 1456 and 1458; apptd. to enquire into the guild of Holy Trinity at Nottingham, with licence to endow it; frequently on comns. for gaol delivery, and a feoffee of land in Leics. Under the Yorkists he was pardoned, Feb. 1469, Aug. 1470, and Apr. 1472. "A rich and pious merchant of the staple, founder of the family of Thurland in Gamelston." In 1473 his share of the subsidy of 1/10th was 74s. 7½d., the largest individual amount paid in Nottingham.⁴

D. 5 Jan. 1474, when Thomas, aged 21, s. of Richard, s. of the said Thomas, was his heir. Will, dat. 16 Jan. 1471, pr. 27 Feb. 1474, at York. Thomas Thurland, burgess of Nottingham.⁵ The will of his widow, Jane, was pr. 1477. The s., Richard, who had died *v.p.* had *m.* Alice, da. of Thomas Nevill of Rolleston, Notts. (*q.v.*) and Alice *rem.* Gervase son of Robert Clifton by 1456. Thurland Hall in Nottingham long survived; James I may have lodged there.⁶

THURLBY (THIRLBY), JOHN (1450-1500); King's Serjt. at Arms 1484-5; customer of Lynn 1485. M.P. Stamford 1485-6, 1487, 1491-2.

A Stamford man, for Hugh Thurlby was M.P. Stamford in 1322. Apptd. King's Serjt. at Arms at 12d. a day, Mar. 1484; apptd. customer at Lynn, May 1485. Possibly he is the father of the Cambridge Town Clerk, John Thirlby.⁷ Whereas some at least of the serjeants at law were summoned to Parlt. by individual writ, here is a serjeant at arms elected to Parlt. by his home town.

THWAITES, EDMUND (1435-1500); of Lund by Watton, Yorks. Lawyer; adviser to Earl of Northumberland. M.P. Scarborough 1478, (? 1483 Jan., 1484).

S. and h. of Henry Thwaites of same (*d.* 1478/80); doubtless related to Thomas Thwaites, chancellor of the Exchequer (*q.v.*); *m.* Jane, an heiress, by whom Henry, who died *v.p.*, and Edmund.

Returned for Scarborough because the earl of Northumberland was then constable of Scarborough; exor. and residuary legatee under his father's will, 31 Mar. 1478;⁸ exor. of the will of Sir John Constable of Halsham, 1482;⁹ exor. of will of Henry Percy, earl of Northumberland, 27 July 1485; with an annuity of £4 "for good service and counsel in the law to me done and hereafter to be done."¹⁰ J.P. East Riding, 14 May 1483 till death; on all the Yorks. comns. of Richard III, subsidy and array, subsidy 1488, gaol delivery at Hull, etc., till 1495.

¹ *Foedera*, V. ii. p. 11.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 21/8.

³ *Black Book of Lincoln's Inn*, p. 25.

⁴ *Thoroton Soc. Trans.*, 1924, p. 73.

⁵ If he die at Nottingham, to be bur. at St. Mary's. To wife, Jane, all his grain and "cattalez" and household ornaments. To Thomas s. of his s. Richard, 200 marks when 21. Exors. :—his w. Jane, Gervase Clifton, esq., s. of Sir Robert Clifton, Thomas Tockothe of Boston, Sir William Bond, vicar of Burgh, Thomas Hunston of Nottingham.

⁶ *Ex inf.* Sir Geo. Sitwell bart.

⁷ *Dict. Nat. Biog.* xix. 615.

⁸ *Test. Ebor.* iv. 175.

⁹ *ibid.* iii. 280.

¹⁰ *ibid.* iii. 308-310.

Feoffee for Thomas, lord Scrope of Masham, 1495;¹ for Ralph Constable of Halsham, 1497.²

D. 1500; will, dat. 21 May, pr. 3 July 1500. To be bur. at Lund. His son Henry dead, g.s. Henry his heir; son Edmund a beneficiary.³ Henry the grandson had *m.* Agnes da. of Robert Constable, serjeant at law, before his grandfather's death, had had Lund, worth £40 a year, and Garwardby, £20, settled upon the marriage, and was 14 in 1501.⁴

THWAITES, (Sir) THOMAS (1435-95); of the Exchequer. Chancellor of the Exchequer c. 1471-83; Treasurer of Calais 1483-90. Probably M.P. in 1463-5, 1470-1, 1483 (Jan.), 1484, or later.

He would seem to have been employed at the Exchequer by 1465; made bailiff of Guisnes, 29 Sept. 1468; granted the office of Chancellor of the Exchequer, 11 Aug. 1471, succeeding Richard Fowler (*q.v.*);⁵ still in that office Jan. 1473; and probably till June 1483, when succeeded by William Catesby (*q.v.*). He was mustering the troops at Calais with Sir John Scott (*q.v.*) June 1475; had a grant of 16 houses in the Vintry 17 Oct. 1480; made treasurer of Calais and kntd. by 10 Oct. 1483.⁶ He remained treasurer under Henry VII, till 23 Aug. 1490; a feoffee in Bucks., June 1490; was pardoned arrears of account 1494; J.P. Surrey 1488-95; when he presumably died.

THYRLAND see THURLAND.

TICHBORNE, JOHN (1435-98); of Tichborne, Hants; Servant to Bp. of Winchester. M.P. Taunton 1491-2, (? 1495).

S. and h. of John Tichborne of same (*d.* 1464), by Jane da. of Thomas Wandesford (Waynsford), ald. of London. *M.* Margaret da. and h. of Richard Martin of Kent; issue, William, who *d. s.p.*, Nicholas M.P., in Parliament with his father for Hindon, Thomas and Henry.⁷

At Easter 1466 he sued William Ynge for the manor of Lemerstone, I. of W., as s. and h. of three generations of Johns;⁸ J.P. Hants, 18 Dec. 1470 to 2 July 1474, 5 Dec. 1483 to 1485, 17 Nov. 1485 till sheriff, 1493 till death; sheriff, Hants, 1487-8; on all the subsidy and array comns. Feb. 1484 till 1496. He petitioned Parlt. for, and obtained in 1495, the reversal of the attainder passed on William Waynsford.⁹ On gaol delivery at Winchester 1497. Sat for Taunton doubtless on recommendation of bp. of Winchester.¹⁰

D. 8 June 1498, when William, aged 40, was his s. and h.; lands in Hants and Isle of Wight.¹¹

TICHBORNE, NICHOLAS (1465-1512/3); cadet of Tichborne, Hants. M.P. Hindon 1491-2.

¹ Test. Ebor. iv. 73.

² *ibid.* iii. 279n.

³ *ibid.* iv. 175-7.

⁴ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. 363-5; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1502), 256.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), pp. 151, 272.

⁶ *ibid.* (1483), 378.

⁷ Davy, *Suffolk Pedigrees*, Add. MS. 19152, Brit. Mus.

⁸ *Geneal. N.S.* xix. 102.

⁹ John Tichborne, as s. of Jane sis. of William Waynsford (Wandesford) and Thomas Lowth (*q.v.*) and Anne da. of Alice another sis. of William Waynsford, petition for reversal (*Rot. Parl.* vi. 493).

¹⁰ The Bp. of Winchester held Tichborne, Taunton and Lemerston; so that Tichborne was probably his servant.

¹¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 126.

Second s. but ult. h. of John Tichborne of same, M.P. (1435-98) by Margaret (Martin).

Jointly with Keble (*q.v.*) and Thomas Frowick, both lawyers, he bought the keeping of Sir Humphrey Talbot's (*q.v.*) lands in Berks., Nov. 1494. J.P. Hants, 14 July 1498 till death; a feoffee of Packington, Warw., for lord Lisle;¹ on gaol delivery, Winchester, 1504; on a comn. in I. of W. 1510. He sat—as did his father—for one of the bp. of Winchester's boroughs.

D., to judge from his J.P.ships, between 15 Mar. 1512 and June 1513 probably leaving issue.²

TILLARD (TYLERD), JOHN (1410-60); of Exeter. M.P. Exeter 1445-6, 1449 (1).

Bailiff of Exeter 1444; senior bailiff 1453; eschr., Somerset and Dorset, 1449-51. As "of Exeter" he was, in 1433/43, surety for Jane Tyland, widow.³ The Mich. 1445/6 Exeter receivers' roll records a payment of £2 for Tyland's wages when John Hull was mayor. In Mich. 1444/5 John Clerke and John Tyland were paid 18s. 6d. "for city business".⁴

TILNEY (TILLENY), ROBERT (1415-75); of Boston, Lincs., and Whittlesford, Cambs. M.P. Downton 1449-50; Hindon 1453-4, 1455-6. Lancastrian.

Second s. of Philip Tilney esq. by Isabel da. and h. of Sir Edmund Thorpe. M. Mary, da. of Richard Waldegrave, and had issue Robert Tilney,⁵

Pardoned 19 July 1437;⁶ and Nov. 1458, as "of Boston, Lincs., esq., late of London, late of Wytteford, Cambs."; and with other Lancastrians, 1 May 1462; eschr., Cambs. and Hunts., 1457-8; J.P. Cambs., 3 Jan. to 10 Nov. 1458. It will be this man, and not his son, who was a comnr. of sewers, Lincs., 1472, and was pardoned 24 Jan. 1472, as of Boston and of London. This M.P. must have died about 1475, succeeded by his son Robert, who was sheriff of Cambs. and Hunts. 1481-2. But there is no reason why a Lincs. or Boston merchant should sit for bishop William of Waynflete's boroughs, save this that the bishop was born at Waynflete, Lincs., and must have had relations there.

TIMPERLEY, JOHN (1400-63); of Hintlesham, Suffolk, and of Gatton, Surrey; Norfolk's servant. M.P. SUFFOLK 1445-6; Reigate 1453-4; Ipswich 1455-6; Reigate 1460-1. Yorkist.

Probably s. of Thomas Timperley of Bowden, Cheshire, by Mary Wentworth; m. Margaret da. and h. of William Pettistree,⁷ and had John Timperley II, M.P. (1425-91).

He was servant to the Mowbrays, dukes of Norfolk, with whom he came from Cheshire to East Anglia.⁷ Eschr., Norf. and Suff., 1439-40. In 1443 the Privy Council sent him to the duke of Norfolk and he was paid £3 6s. 8d. for bringing men from Norwich;⁸ a feoffee for lord Scales, 1447, and for the duke of Buckingham. For good service, and for 40s. paid in the hanaper, he was granted licence

¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. p. 571.

² See the pedigree of Ticheborn of Salisbury (Withie MS., Harl. No. 1443).

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 45/387. ⁴ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander. ⁵ Davy, *Add. MSS.* 19152.

⁶ Pardon Roll (1437), "of Bishop's Lynn, burgess and merchant" (m.8).

⁷ Ryan & Redstone, *Timperleys of Hintlesham*. ⁸ Issue Rolls.

to enclose his manor of Gatton, Surrey, and exempted from all office, 28 Mar. 1449. He was pardoned, 20 Sept. 1452, "late of Framlingham, *alias* of Merstham, esq." (m.1), and 15 Nov. 1453, "of Framlingham, Suff., esq." (m.24)—Framlingham being Norfolk's castle. He was enfeoffed of Hintlesham, Suff., in 1454; and the same year, immediately after the dissolution of the Parliament in which he sat for Reigate, he was sworn a freeman of Ipswich. A Suffolk elector, 1459. As he sat in the 1460 Parliament he found himself safe when the Yorkists came, but took out a pardon, July 1462, "late of Framlingham castle, senior, late of Hintlesham esq." (m.25).

TIMPERLEY, JOHN (1425-91); of Hintlesham, Suff., esq. Norfolk's servant; customer of Ipswich. M.P. Yarmouth 1467-8; Gatton 1472-5; Ipswich 1483 (Jan.).

S. and h. of John Timperley of same, M.P. (1400-63) by Margaret (Pettistree); m. (2) Alice Stamp, widow of John King (*d.* 1485) citizen and grocer of London.

Though not called junior, it may possibly be he who was M.P. 1453, 1455, 1460, and not his father. Called "servant to Duke of Norfolk", he was granted £20 a year pension 1461, which was continued to him till 1485 and always exempted from resumption. The Duke's feoffee in 1471, and on the Duke's council at his death 1476. A comnr. in Norf. and Suff.; "Of Hyntersham *alias* late of Framlingham" (the Duke's castle) in a 1472 pardon. It is probably this John who was collector of customs in Ipswich *temp.* Edw. IV and Ric. III.¹ His father held Gatton by 1449 when it first returned members to Parlt. and it was even called Timperley's town.

D. 18 Dec. 1491, when John, aged 40 (say 45) was his s. and h.; this son—Sir John—was frequently M.P.

TIMPERLEY, (Sir) JOHN (1446-1510); of Hintlesham, Suff.; Norfolk's servant; lawyer. M.P. Steyning 1467-8; Ipswich 1469; Bramber 1472-5; Ipswich 1478, 1483 (June) (always called junior).

S. and h. of John Timperley of same M.P. (1425-91); m. 1481 Jane (*d.* 1508) da. of John Howard, duke of Norfolk; and (2) Mary.

Admtd. Lincoln's Inn 1463; sat for Norfolk's boroughs; in Sept. 1469 the "junior" was to serve as a burgess in Parlt. for Ipswich at 8*d.* a day;² and he was again sworn a "foreign burgess" of Ipswich 1477, prior to his election to Parlt. 1478. Eschr., Norf. and Suff., 1474-5, 1484-5; squire of the household to John Howard, duke of Norfolk, with whom he went to sea against Scotland, 1481; kntd. 1501.

D. 1510; his s. Thomas, predeceased him; his da. Elizabeth m. Firmin Rookwood; and he devised Hintlesham to his nephew Wm. Timperley.³

TINGELDEN (TYNKELDEN), JOHN (1405-60); of London, grocer. M.P. Reigate 1449-50.

As cit. and grocer he was a feoffee of land in London, 1441. William Redstone of Southwark (*q.v.*) sued John Tyngkyledenne for detention of a bond in 1442.⁴ He was, perhaps, father of Richard Tingelden, M.P. for Southwark 1467 (*q.v.*).

¹ Ryan & Redstone, *Timperleys of Hintlesham*.

³ Ryan & Redstone, *Timperleys of Hintlesham*.

² Bacon's *Annals of Ipswich*, 129.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 9/62.

TINGELDEN (TYNKELDEN), RICHARD (1435-96); of Southwark, gent. M.P. Southwark 1467-8.

Perhaps s. of John Tingelden, M.P. Reigate (1405-60).

A comnr. of sewers in Southwark 1465, 1474; and a feoffee there in 1476 in company with Nicholas Gaynesford and Richard Skinner (*qq.v.*);¹ in a Southwark fine, 1489.

D. 1496;² will dat. 24 Sept., pr. 10 Nov. 1496. Richard Tyngilde of Southwark, gent. To be bur. in St. Olaf's, Southwark. Wife Agnes residuary legatee and sole exix. (P.C.C., 4 Horne).

TINHAM (TYNHAM), JOHN (1450-1505); of Lyme-Regis. M.P. Lyme 1491-2.

Perhaps s. of John Tinham, mayor of Lyme 1444, 1451.

Mayor of Lyme 1498-9, 1504-5; the boro' court records of 21 May 1506 mention that John Tinham, who held several burgage tenements had died since the last court. Will, dat. 5 Apr., pr. 26 Aug. 1505. To be bur. in the ch. of Lyme-Regis; one-third of estate to wife Isabel, two-thirds to his two das.—one called Isabel. His wife his exix.; provision for sis. Margery. Robert Philipp, supervisor. (P.C.C., 36 Holgrave).

TITELOT (*alias* FABCOT), JOHN (1415-84); of Hull, draper. M.P. Hull 1453-4.

Perhaps descended from Robert Titlot of Hornsbeck, whose will was pr. at York, 1390.

John Titelot was constable of Hull, 1443; he sold cloth to the corporation for officers' vestments, 1445; chamberlain of Hull, 1446; sheriff of Hull, 1449-50;³ pardoned in 1452 as "of Hull, draper, *alias* merchant" (m.20); an elector of Hull in 1467.

D. 1484; will of John Tytlogt of Hull, draper, dat. 3 Sept. 1484, pr. at York 18 Jan. 1485.⁴

TOCOTES, ROBERT (1440-1504); of Wardour, Wilts. Lord St. Amand's servant. M.P. Calne 1478.

Perhaps yr. bro. of Sir Roger Tocotes M.P. (1430-92) who *m.* the widow of Lord St. Amand and was accused of poisoning Clarence's wife. This Parlt. was called to attaint Clarence.

D. 1504. Will, undated, pr. 7 Nov. 1504. His lands at Wardour, Wilts., to be sold. A cross of gold to "my lady Denham and a ruby ring to my lord Seintmont," and they overseers. His title deeds were at his lord's place in Lambeth. Exors. :—Anthony Stileman (*q.v.*), Mr. David Knollys, William Tocotes, Roger Tocotes and Thomas Chawphyn (P.C.C., 20 Holgrave).

TOCOTES, Sir ROGER (1430-92); of Bromham, Wilts. On Clarence's Council; knt. of the Body and Controller of the Household, 1485-92. M.P. WILTSHIRE 1467-8, (? 1470-1), 1472-5.

¹ *Surrey, Feet of Fines*, 196.

² But his writ *diem clausit* to the Surrey eschr. was not sent out till 8 Mar. 1497 (Fine Roll, 12 Hen. VII, m.3).

³ *Ex inf.* A. S. Harvey from Hull records.

⁴ York Wills, 5.246.

S. and h. of James Tocotes and Elizabeth, from Tocketts in Guisboro', Yorks. ; *m.* 1458 Elizabeth (1409-91) da. and h. of Gerald Braybroke and widow of Sir William Beauchamp, lord St. Amand¹ *d.* 1457 (*q.v.*).

Pardoned, 20 Jan. 1458, of "Bronham esq." He was already "of the Household" when he had licence to marry Lady St. Amand, Apr. 1458. J.P. Wilts., 8 Dec. 1459 till sheriff in Nov. 1470, 4 Apr. 1472 to 5 Dec. 1483, 4 July 1486 to 21 Nov. 1487, 9 July 1490 till death. On Wilts. comns., from the Lancastrian ones of 1459-60 and including those of the readeption, but none of those of 1483-5. Kntd. June 1460/Feb. 1461. An apportioner of the subsidy, 1463.² Sheriff, Wilts., 1463-4. He was allied with the Duke of Clarence ; charged with him with rebellion, Apr. 1470 ; supported the Readeption and again sheriff 1470-1 ; with Clarence when he rejoined Edward IV and he was a banneret at Tewkesbury. Pardoned 20 Oct. 1472 (with his wife Elizabeth), "*alias* Tookes, *alias* of Bromham, Wilts." (*m.*17). On Clarence's council 1475, but accused by Clarence in Apr. 1477 of abetting Ankaret Twyneho in the poisoning of Isabel, duchess of Clarence ; he was acquitted.³ Christchurch, Ringwood, etc., which he had held, were granted away to William Berkeley after Clarence's execution. Exor. of Richard Beauchamp bp. of Salisbury, in 1481. On Wilts. comns. in Apr. and Aug. 1483, but a leader in Buckingham's rising in Berkshire in Sept. 1483 and attainted "late of Bromeham", 1484 ;⁴ his step-son, Richard Beauchamp (*q.v.*), then secured some of his land in Wilts., Edward Redmayne the rest. He was pardoned his life 27 Jan. 1485 ; he may however have been with Henry Tudor in France. When Henry VII arrived Tocotes was made sheriff of Wilts., constable of Devizes and steward of Marlborough ; his attainder was reversed and his grants exempted, 1485. He was pardoned as sheriff, "of Bromeham, Wilts., *alias* of London", 4 Mar. 1486. Probably he was then made knight of the body also ; at least he was both knight and Controller of the Household in 1492 when he and his Beauchamp step-son founded a chantry at Bromham to pray for William, late lord, and Elizabeth his wife, late Tocotes wife, and Tocotes father and mother, James and Elizabeth.⁵

D. 2 Nov. 1492, when John, aged 40, son of James brother of Sir Roger, was his nephew and heir. Lands—Wilts., Bucks., Herts. and Beds. Will, dat. 2 Sept. 1492.⁶

TODD, ROBERT.

M.P. Melcombe 1447 ; Calne 1449-50.

Nothing known.

TODD, Sir WILLIAM (1441-1503) ; ald. of York, merchant, stapler.

M.P. York city 1489-90.

Son of William Todd and Alice ; *m.* (1) Agnes, da. of (?) ald. Thomas Beverley,

¹ G.E.C. *Comp. Peer.* S-T. 9.

² Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV (*m.*19).

³ *Geneal. Mag.*, Mar. 1932.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 245.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1492), 389.

⁶ To be bur. at Bromeham. Masses for himself and Elizabeth late his wife. To Lord Richard Beauchamp, Lord St. Amand, "potell, pottes of silver, 2 basins of silver and one gilt, clothes of Arras, beds of cloth of gold." Bequests to various charities ; for marriage of poor maidens ; for exhibitions for scholars at Oxford and Cambridge. Bequest to his cousin Walter Enderby and £10 to John ap Ris. Exors. :—Master William Enderby, William Gill, John Lambe and Roger Tocotes. Overseers :—Lord Seyntmond and Richard Pudsey (*q.v.*) his cousin (P.C.C., 20 Doggett).

(2) Margaret (*d.* 1483),¹ widow of Thomas Eckilsall of Scarboro' (*d.* 1480);² (3) 1485, Elizabeth Eland of Hull.³

Made free of York city, 1462; entered *Corpus Christi* guild, 1464;⁴ entered Merchants' guild, 1465;⁴ chamberlain, 1471; sheriff, 1476-7; master of the Merchants' guild, 1477 and 1478;⁴ elector, 1478; elected alderman, but refused to take certain oaths, and resigned his gown, 13 Jan. 1481; mayor, 1487; and knntd., with York (*q.v.*), by Henry VII after the victory at Stoke, 31 July 1487. He repaired the city walls near Fishergate bar, 1487;⁴ was sumnd. to the great council for York, 31 Dec. 1488; was granted a pension of £20 a year out of the customs of Hull for good service, he being then alderman, 18 Feb. 1489.⁵

D. 1503; will, dat. 11 Mar., pr. 20 Apr. 1503, leaving three das.⁶ As for the nature of his merchandise, he was selling stockfish in Iceland 1475/85.⁷ While in 1486, John Vavasour, recorder, gave an award in a quarrel between John Harper and Todd. Harper, as alderman, was to have precedence of Todd, and Todd was to pay Harper £10 "in recompence for his hurt"; but Harper was to take back his accusation that Todd was a coiner and a money-maker.⁸ Then they made Todd mayor!

TOKE, JOHN (1415-80); of Dover, esq. M.P. Dover 1447, 1449 (1), 1453-4.

Bro. of Ralf Toke M.P. 1410-50, steward to the constable of Dover; and therefore son of John Toke of Bere, Kent.⁹

He was elected in 1447, while and because his bro. Ralph was mayor of Dover. He and Slegge were paid for the Parlt. at London and Winchester in 1449 (1). In the 1453 Parlt. his colleague, Doyley, went for the opening of the session only, and Toke was paid for 29 days at the Parlt. at Reading from 3 Mar. and paid again for going to London from 1 May for 25 days.¹⁰

John Bladesmith sued him for debt in 1453,¹¹ and this same year he had the benefit of privilege of Parliament. Thomas Pope of Milton, Kent, sued two fishmongers of London for vexatious delays to an action of debt against a Dutchman, William Derykson. A writ of privilege of Parliament was issued against Pope—Derykson being servant of John Toke esq., a burgess for Dover.¹² He occurs again in 1459 on a comn. about the lands of Robert Hungerford, and in Oct. 1480 he was recently dead, for auditors were appointed to account for the lands late of the duke of Clarence in place of John Toke and Henry Harper.

TOKE, RALPH (1410-51); of Dover. Steward of Dover. M.P. Dover 1442, 1449-50.

¹ Will dat. 30 July, pr. 23 Sept. 1483; to be bur. in monastery at Whitby (*Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor).

² Reg. Test. fo. 173, *ex inf.* W. J. Paylor.

³ Licence to marry, 24 Jan. 1485 (*Test. Ebor.* iii. 349).

⁴ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

⁵ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 408.

⁶ To be bur. All Hallows on the pavement. Mentions w. Elizabeth and his das. Isabel, Matilda, Marion, and Jane; also William and (illeg.) Tode "my broders childer." *Exix.* his w. Supervisor, Thomas Crathorne esq. (*Test. Ebor.* iv. 212-3).

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 64/709.

⁸ *Test. Ebor.* iii. 349 notes.

⁹ J. Bavington-Jones, *Annals of Dover*, 374; Hasted, *Kent*, vii, 506-7.

¹⁰ Add. MSS. 29615, Brit. Mus.

¹¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 21/24.

¹² *ibid.* 22/101.

S. of John Toke of Bere, Kent ;¹ *m.* according to the Visitations, Maud da. of Henry D., and had issue William and Walter. But his widow was evidently Elizabeth ; and it was *Thomas* Toke of Bere, one of the Clerks of Dover castle, who was pardoned in 1458 (*m.*28). Nevertheless, in 1461, William s. of Ralf Toke sued Thomas Doyley and other feoffees for land in St. Margaret's beside Dover.²

A jurat of Dover, 1441 ; mayor 1444-8 ; steward of Dover and marshal to the deputy constable of Dover. A collector of customs and subsidy at Sandwich, Nov. 1444 to July 1451.³ He was paid 26s. 8d. for his expenses at the coronation of Queen Margaret in 1445 ; deputy butler in Sandwich, Feb. 1446. In Apr. 1447, while mayor of Dover, he was pardoned for all offences up to that date. He was paid for 80 days at 2s. a day for the 1449 (2) Parl. ; but, as he was not paid for the second session at Leicester, he probably did not attend there. The Hythe records show that he, with Lord Saye the Warden and Gervase Clifton, attempted to influence the election at Hythe in Oct. 1449.

In 1450/53 Thomas Fetherstone (*q.v.*) late jointly with Ralph Toke, customer of Sandwich, sued Thomas Doyley and Elizabeth his wife, late wife and exix. of Ralph Toke, for sums due from the said Ralph, his partner.³ Again in 1450/3 Elizabeth, late wife and exix. of Ralph Toke, and Thomas Doyley her co-exor., sued the feoffees of Laurence Stonestrete for lands in Rodmersham, Kent,⁴ and at the same time the merchants of Cologne sued Elizabeth, late wife and exix. of Toke, and William Say (*q.v.*), collector of customs in Sandwich, in respect of undue demands. He must have died soon after July 1451.⁵

TOKER see TUCKER.

TOLLER, JOHN. M.P. Bedford boro' 1442.

There seems to be no Toller recorded at Bedford, but he cannot be the John Toller, tailor of London (bro. of Nicholas), who was dead in 1444, nor the grocer of London who supplied a hearse for the Duke of York's funeral in 1461, nor is he John Toller (1430-90) alderman and M.P. for Windsor. In fact the only possibility of identification is that a John Toller was a feoffee for John Green of Henlow, Beds., in May 1451.⁶ Probably Toller was, after all, a burgess of Bedford.

TOLLER, JOHN (1430-90) ; ald. of Windsor. ? Lawyer. M.P. Windsor 1459, 1460-1.

On 18 Apr. 1460 the keeping of a garden in Grub Street, St. Giles', was granted to Richard Symson on the mainprize of John Toller and Peter Peckham.⁷ On the 13 May following, William Plowriyght and John Toller of London were mainprize for Richard Clervaux in the keeping of Deighton, Yorks.⁸ On 15 July 1467 Thomas Combes of London gent. and John Toller were mainpernors for Peter Westbroke and Thomas Birde.⁹ He was manucaptor for William Elrington when returned for Windsor, 1472 ; an alderman for Windsor, 1473 ;¹⁰ an elector in Sussex, 1478 ; an attorney to deliver seisin of land in Walworth in 1488 ;¹¹ on a gaol delivery comn. at Windsor in 1489. Probably a lawyer.

¹ Hasted, *Kent*, vii. 506-7.

⁴ *ibid.* 19/343, 19/386.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1451), 426.

⁹ Fine Roll, 7 Edw. IV (*m.*7).

¹¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 514.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/302.

⁵ Issue Rolls, to Easter, 29 Hen. VI, No. 784.

⁷ Fine Roll, 38 Hen. VI (*m.*7).

¹⁰ Tighe and Davis, *Annals of Windsor*, 400.

³ *ibid.* 16/587, 24/29.

⁸ *ibid.* (*m.*5).

TOMAYS see THOMAS.

TOMLINSON, JAMES (1440-1500); of Hull, merchant. M.P. Hull 1489-90, 1491-2.

He was pardoned, 8 Feb. 1471 and 3 Dec. 1471, in identical terms—of Hull, merchant, *alias* merchant of staple of Calais, *alias* late clerk to John Dey (*q.v.*) collr. of the great and petty customs in Hull. Dey's will was dated 1470; in it he left tenements to James Tomlinson and his heirs for ever, the said James to maintain for 20 years a chaplain to celebrate for Day's soul.¹ Tomlinson was sheriff of Hull 1480-1.

TONG, JOHN (1435-91); ald. of York. M.P. York city 1483 (Jan.).

Perhaps son of Richard Tong, walker; *m.* Alice, widow of Richard Thornton, merchant.²

Made free of York city, 1456;² joined *Corpus Christi* guild, 1460;² chamberlain, 1462-3; sheriff, 1468-9; elector, 1472, 1478; master of the Merchants' Co., 1473;² mayor, 1477-8; alderman, by 1480.³ He was paid for riding to a conference with Richard of Gloucester at Middleham castle, 1478;⁴ to inspect the archers sent to the King, 1481;⁵ lieut. of York in the absence of the mayor, 1481;⁶ lieut. of York, May 1482;² elected for Parlt. 13 Dec. 1482, but excused 23 Dec. on account of illness;⁷ subscribed £19 for the present when Richard III visited York, 1483;⁸ comnr. of *oyer*, York city, 1487. He resigned his gown, 17 Nov. 1490.⁹

D. 1491; will, dat. 25 Sept. 1488, pr. at York, 29 July 1491. His wife Alice survived him.²

TONSTALL see TUNSTALL.

TOOGOOD, RICHARD (1405-60); of Cambridge. M.P. Cambridge boro' 1455-6.

The will of Thomas Holland, duke of Exeter, dat. 1426, includes, in a list of esquires and servants, Richard Toogood £10.¹⁰ The name is so rare that this may be the Cambridge elector in 1447 and 1450 when he heads the list. In 1450/1 John Scott, late bailiff of Cambridge sued Richard Toogood for a vexatious suit for suffering Thomas Kirkeby to go to London by reason of a writ of *habeas corpus cum causa*.¹¹

TOPCLIFFE, GEORGE (1400-52); of Scarborough or York. M.P. Scarborough 1431, 1450-1.

Perhaps s. of George Topcliffe, M.P. Scarborough 1415.

In 1433/4 Thomas Barnewell sued George Topcliffe and others for the seizure of the ship *Nicholas*, freighted with salmon from Aberdeen to London, which the defendants had carried off to Shields.¹² Topcliffe was manucaptor for William Forster, M.P. Scarborough 1442. There are wills of several Topcliffes "of York", proved at York, but none of Scarborough. Perhaps Jane Topcliff of York, widow, whose will was pr. 1453/4, was his widow (2.290).

¹ York Wills (IV, 79), transcribed by Mr. Gooder.

² *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records. ³ Scaife's Official Lists MS.

⁴ Davies, *York Records*, 59. ⁵ *ibid.* 112. ⁶ *ibid.* 127.

⁷ *ibid.* 139; but no trace of new writ issued, or a new election. ⁸ *ibid.* 168.

⁹ Corp'n. Records A.Y. fo. 367, "being gretly diseased and broken by gret sekenes" (*ex inf.* W. J. Paylor).

¹⁰ *Test. Vetusta*, p. 209. ¹¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 18/144.

¹² *ibid.* 12/144.

TOPPES, ROBERT (1405-70); ald. of Norwich. M.P. Norwich 1437, 1439-40, 1445-6, 1449 (1), 1459, 1461-2.

He *m.* Jane, who survived him and *m.* Richard Roos esq.¹

Sheriff, Norwich, 1430-1; mayor 1435-6, 1440-1, 1452-3, 1458-9;² J.P. Norwich, 14 July 1439 to 24 Aug. 1446; comn. of array, Jan. 1446; elector, 1429, 1433, 1435, 1442, 1449 (2), 1450, 1453, 1455 and 1467—never when elected. During the troubles over the city mills with the abbot of St. Benet's Hulme—when the Earl of Suffolk supported the abbot, and Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, supported the city—Robert Toppes supported those citizens who were summoned as rebels to London, and Toppes was committed to the Fleet, 13 Feb. 1441, where he remained till March 25th. Sir John Clifton was made governor of the city, and its liberties and mills destroyed. Peace came in 1445, with the new bishop.³ Margaret Paston wrote to John Paston, 1 July 1451:—"I was at Toppys at dyner at St. Peter's Day."

TORELL, JOHN (1424-68); of Willingale Doe, Essex, esq. M.P. Bridport 1449-50.

S. and h. of Thomas Torell, M.P. Essex (1396-1443) by Catherine (Beauchamp).

Together with Elizabeth his wife he was pardoned, 10 July 1446 (m.13); again pardoned, 10 Nov. 1452, as "of Wyllnyngdale Doo, Essex, esq." (m.10); on an Essex comn. in 1452, and elector for Essex 1449 (1), 1455, 1467—always esq. If this man sat for Bridport, it was probably on the recommendation of the Chancery.

D. shortly before 27 Aug. 1468, when his writ of *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Essex.⁴

TORELL, THOMAS (1396⁵-1443); of Willingale Doe, esq. M.P. ESSEX 1429-30, 1435, 1442.

S. of John Torell by a da. of Thomas Clapham of Suffolk. He *m.* by 1438 Catherine, da. of Sir Roger Beauchamp of Bletsoe,⁶ Beds., and widow of Sir Henry Noon.⁷

Elector, Essex, 1423, 1425, 1427, 1433. A feoffee, Northweld, Essex, 1430;⁸ of Rawreth, Essex, for John Doreward (*q.v.*) 1433; J.P. Essex, 10 May 1442 till death.

D. 11 Mar. 1443, when John, aged 18, was his s. and h., whose custody was granted to Thomas Brown, clerk of the bench. Will, dat. 8 May 1442, pr. 21 Mar. 1443.⁹ To be bur. in St. Christopher's, Wellinghall, in the grave made for him and Catherine, late his w. Mentions his sons, John, Thomas and Richard. Exors., Thomas Daniell, John Fyn, Henry Skear, chaplain.

TORNEY (TOURNAY), WALTER (1415-74); of Salisbury, merchant. M.P. Westbury 1467-8.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 54/187.

² Robert Toppe, citizen and alderman of Norwich was on the Pardon Roll, 2 Feb. 1458 (m.21).

³ Blomfield, *Norfolk*, iii. 149 *et seq.*

⁴ Fine Roll, 8 Edw. IV (m.28).

⁵ Proof of age 5 Hen. V.

⁶ *Visitn. Essex*, p. 116.

⁷ Torell of Wylnghaledoo, Essex, was sumnd. in 1439 to restore the money, arms, etc., entrusted to Noon for the French wars, but he put in the King's writ of general pardon (Mem. L.T.R. 17 Hen. VI).

⁸ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1430), 56.

⁹ P.C.C., 15 Rous.

Perhaps a s. of Robert Torney who occurs at Huish, Wilts., as a feoffee in 1427.¹ One Tournay, a merchant of Salisbury, acquired Paine's Place, Dorset, by marriage with the da. and h. of Paine. Through Tournay's da. and h. it passed to the Webbs, merchants of Salisbury.²

With Walter Dauntsey, John Crikelade and John Dauntsey esqs. he was a feoffee at Amesbury for Giles Sauser, who *d.* 1502.³

D. 3 May 1474, when Philip, aged 30, was his cousin and h. Lands Som., nil. The Dorset Inquisition shows him holding Knyghton, part of the domain of Eliz. Arundel as of her manor of Stinsford.

TOURGES see TURGES.

TOWE, WILLIAM (1410-65); of Windsor. M.P. Windsor 1449 (1).

A juror in Windsor, 1439; bailiff, 1446; elector, 1447; mayor, 1456.⁴ He advanced £45 for the expenses of the Household, and was reimbursed from the fee farm rent of £15 which the Windsor bailiffs paid the Exchequer, 1460.

TOWKER see TUCKER.

TOWNSHEND, (Sir) ROGER (1435-93); of Rainham, Norfolk. Serjt.-at-law; Justice C.P. M.P. Bramber 1467-8, (? 1470-1); Calne 1472-5; summoned 1483, 1484, 1485-6, 1487, 1489-90, 1491-2.

S. and h. of John Townshend of same (*d.* 1465), by Jane or Agnes, da. and h. of "Sir" Robert Lumford of Romford, Essex, and of Battle, Sussex; *m.* (1) Anne (*d.* 1489), da. and h. of Sir William Brewes of Stinton, Norf.; and (2) 1490 Eleanor who died 1500.⁶ He was founder of the Townshend family.

Rainham was settled on John Townsend and Roger his son, Feb. 1454, and the same year Roger entered Lincoln's Inn of which he was governor 1461, 1463, 1465-6. He was paid by the Exchr. for legal services, June 1463;⁵ elected for Bramber thro' influence of duke of Norfolk. J.P. Norfolk, 24 July 1466 till death; and on Norfolk comns., *oyer* and sewers, from 1469, including all those of 1483-4. Apparently he was legal adviser to the Paston family.⁶ Serjt.-at-law, Oct. 1477;⁶ King's Serjt.-at-law, 11 May 1481—renewed 27 June 1483—and J.P. in 4 northern counties May 1483. Justice C.P., Jan. 1484. Kntd. at Whitsuntide 1486. He changed his circuit in 1489. In Feb. 1490 Rainham was settled by the trustees on Sir Roger and Eleanor for life, remainders to sons Roger and Thomas.

D. 9 Nov. 1493, when Roger, aged 16, was s. and h.; lands—Norf., Suff. and Beds. Will, dat. 14 Aug. 1493. Roger Townsend, knight, Justice C.P. To be bur. at Rainham if he die there, otherwise at White Friars, Fleet St. Bequests to "Mother Hopton", to Dame Agnes, to his das. Anne and Elizabeth Townsend £200. Plate to wife Eleanor for life, reversion to son Roger. Residuary legatee and sole exix, wife Eleanor (P.C.C., 2 Vox).

TRACY, WILLIAM (1395-1458/60); of Toddington, esq. M.P. GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1419, 1442.

S. and h. of Henry Tracy of the same; *m.* Margery da. of Sir John Pauncefoot, and had issue Henry and Richard.⁷

¹ *Wilts. Arch. Mag.* xxxix. 95.

² *ibid.* xxxvi. 365.

³ *ibid.* xxxvi. 446.

⁴ Tighe & Davies, *Windsor*, 305.

⁵ Issue Roll, East. 3 Edw. IV.

⁶ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Roger Townshend.

⁷ *Visitn. Glos.* (Harleian), 165.

Eschr. Glos. and the Welsh marches 1420-1; sworn to the peace in Glos., 1434;¹ sheriff, Glos., 1443-4; comnr., June 1446; pardoned, 1447;² J.P. Glos. 1448 till death; elector, Glos., 1422, 1423, 1435, 1437, 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1450. Sheriff again 1450-1; pardoned, 20 Jan. 1458, as of Toddington, Glos. esq., *alias* late sheriff of Glos., *alias* J.P. of Glos. (m.37).

To judge from his J.P.ships he died between 27 Mar. 1458 and 5 Dec. 1460. His s. Henry Tracey of Toddington and Bristol was pardoned in 1472.

TRAPPE, NICHOLAS (1450-1510); of Wells. Bachelor of Civil law. M.P. Wells 1504.

Perhaps son of Nicholas Trap, bailiff of Weymouth 1472³—or himself that man. In 1475/85 the abbess of Elstow sued him concerning a debt to the convent and a bond improperly detained.⁴ As freeman of Wells, he was marrying a widow, pledges Richard Vowell (*q.v.*) and John Tyler, 1496.⁵ Fined £10 for alleged sympathies with Warbeck, *c.* 1497;⁶ mayor of Wells 1497, 1501, 1502; one of the "brethren" of John Tyler, master of the city of Wells, 1500;⁷ a pledge for John Pole (*q.v.*), bailiff of the bishop's liberty 1503.⁸

D. 1507/10; will of Nicholas Trappe, bachelor of civil law—dat. 17 July 1507, pr. 25 Nov. 1510. To be bur. in St. Cuthbert's, Wells. Bequest to Richard Adams *alias* Trappe of lands in Chilton, Bucks., etc., with remainder to New College, Oxon. Residue to Walter Sheyer and Maud his wife my da.; and they exors.⁹

TREDENEK (TREVETHENEK), ROBERT (1455-1514); of Tredinnick, gent.; lawyer. M.P. Launceston 1491-2, (? 1504).

He was pardoned 1 July 1484—Tredenek *alias* Trevethenek, of Trethenek next Nanfant; a feoffee for Sir Edmund Arundel in Cornwall 1499,¹⁰ for Richard Goch's will, 1502;¹¹ an attorney—Cornwall—on the plea rolls, 1490; J.P. Cornwall, 11 June 1502 till death; pardoned 19 Apr. 1504, just after Parlt. was dissolved, as "*alias* late of London, gent.", so that he may well have sat in that Parlt. He was one of the tin-mine proprietors fined and pardoned, as convenient tax-payers, 12 July 1508; pardoned again, with the rest of the capitalists, on the accession of Henry VIII, 1509; comns., Cornwall, 1511, 1513.

D. to judge from his J.P.ships between 18 Oct. and 14 Nov. 1514.

TREFFRY, JOHN; of Tremure, Cornwall. M.P. Bodmin 1442.

He was an elector for Cornwall at the same time that he was returned for Bodmin 1442. The fact that he is described in the return as being "of Tremure" shows that there were other John Treffrys. He is not the Sir John Treffry of Fowey, J.P., died 1500; and he is probably not the John Treffry of Tretherf, Cornwall, gent., who was pardoned in 1456 (m.7).

¹ Called "younger" on both these occasions. Wm. Tracy the elder was dead in 1445 (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1445, 334).

² Pardon Roll, 15 July 1447, Wm. Tracy esq., late eschr. in Glos. (m.9).

³ Sheriffs Returns to Parlt.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 54/80.

⁵ Wells city charters—*Som. Rec. Soc.* xlv. 162.

⁶ Sorel, *Lecture on Mayors of Wells*.

⁷ Will of John Atwater (P.C.C., 17 Moore).

⁸ *Som. Rec. Soc.* xlv. 164.

⁹ P.C.C., 34 Bennett.

¹⁰ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. p. 434.

¹¹ *ibid.* p. 524.

TREGARTHYN, THOMAS (1410-75); of Tregarthyn. King's servant; Water bailiff of Dartmouth. M.P. Liskeard 1449 (1), (? 1470-1).

He accounts for lands and mines in Cornwall, 1433-5; was granted the office of tin bailiff of Penwyth and Kerrier, Apr. 1447, being then "King's servant"; had the reversion of the office of gauger of Bristol and water bailly of Dartmouth, Nov. 1448—jointly with King's serjeant William Brian.

He was named for admission to Lincoln's Inn, 1451;¹ pardoned, 3 Jan. 1456, as of Tregarthyn, Corn., gent. He and his son Thomas and that son's wife Margaret, da. and h. of Richard Hendoner, all appear on the 1462 pardon roll, being of Tregarthyn (m.16). He was on a comn., Nov. 1464, dealing with the Hungerford estates; a man of Plymouth had robbed him of eight silver cups, two silver covers, sixteen silver spoons and £36 in cash, 1466. He was pardoned 2 Feb. 1469, as "of Tregarthyn gent., late water bailiff of Dartmouth, late bailiff of the Stanneries of Penwyth, *alias* senior"; and on the roll, 23 Nov. 1471 as "senior, gent., lately of London"—hence perhaps M.P. 1470-1.

Probably dead by 1478, since he does not appear in that full list of electors of Cornwall.

TREGOUS (TREGOF), JOHN (1425-87); of Rye; lawyer. M.P. Rye 1472-5.

Town or Common Clerk of Rye 1448-51, 1461-74.² In 1450 Rye paid the expenses made by the Common Clerk for himself and horse for seven weeks, 4 days excepted (*i.e.* 45 days), going to Parlt. at Leicester and expediting our affairs between us and Tenterden (staying) till the dissolution of Parlt.—40s.³ He was also bailiff of the rod of the lathe of Hastings in 1455, 1456, 1457;⁴ an attorney at Battle, 1455. When Richard Waterton was lieut. of Dover, Rye corporation sent him three shillingsworth of fish by John Tregoos, that he might "be a good man to us in the matter of Tenterden";⁵ churchwarden of Rye in 1474;⁶ at the brotherhood meetings at Romney 1475, 1476; a jurat 1479-87.⁷ No doubt a lawyer.

TREGOZ (TREGOYS), RICHARD (1405-70); of Tregoz esq. M.P. Bodmin 1435; CORNWALL 1449 (1).

S. and h. of William Tregoz, s. and h. of William Tregoz of the same, M.P. Lostwithiel 1382.

He had assaulted John Polridden, attorney, at Lannuwell in 1429, and a comn. to arrest him was issued in Dec. 1433. Extortions and other ill deeds were done by him in 1434; and in Nov. 1434 Robert Borlas sued him for 39 pieces of tin which Borlas claimed that he and his men had dug after the death of his father, John

¹ *Admn. Reg.* p. 11.

² L. Vidler, *Rye*, 163.

³ The Session at Leicester began on 29 Apr. 1450; the date of the dissolution has never been determined (May 31 to June 30). If this Rye record is trustworthy, and if 4 days each way may be taken as journeying time, then the dissolution took place on June 4 (Chamberlain's Accounts, Rye, i. f. 13d).

⁴ *Sussex Rec. Soc.* xxxvii; xxix, 84, 105, 106.

⁵ Hist. MSS. Comn. v. 491; also—there came before me, John Sutton, mayor of Rye, one Davy Howell and John Tregoos; and then, in presence, came and recorded the exchange of two horses "the on a grey geldyng and the tother a lytell lyght bay with a white sterre in the forhede." Howell took the grey, Tregoos the bay.

⁶ Payede in expenses in brede and drynke whanne John Tregous and John Estone made ther accounts in the churche, 2d. (*ibid.* p. 494).

⁷ Chamberlain's Accounts, Rye, *passim*.

Borlas. Tregoz claimed that John Borlas gave them to him. Next year he was elected for Bodmin. About this time he was sued by Richard Bosowan as a habitual maintainer of quarrels, who had put plaintiff out of all his lands;¹ and about the same time Roger Wodecok of Bodmin, aged 17, sued him for barbarous assault, *i.e.*, cutting off the petitioner's ear, *etc.*, and John Guylls and John Watts, the churchwardens of St. Petrochs, Bodmin, sued him for the seizure of tin from a "cloak of tinwork" in Crukbargoy's moor, bequeathed to the said church by Udy Philpot of Roche, and for assaults on divers burgesses of Bodmin.

He was pardoned, 23 July 1437, as "of Tregoy's, next Nanswhidon" (m.1); claimed the manor of Bree in Apr. 1440, as s. and h. of William, s. and h. of William Tregoy's, *temp.* Edward III. In June 1445 Borlas was still suing Tregoz, and now Tregoz swears that he paid £100 for the tin by the hands of Udy Vivian, and Udy Vivian swears that he did not. He was elected knt. of the shire for Cornwall in Jan. 1449, and was pardoned 23 June 1452 as "of Tregoy's esq., together with Mary his wife, late the wife of Robert Kaylle" (m.28); and almost at the same time, a commn. *o. et t.* was issued touching felonies, *etc.*, by Tregox esq., and 21 gents. and yeomen, all of Lostwithiel. Pardoned again, 20 June 1458, as "of Trewothek, esq., *alias* gent., *alias* Tregot, *alias* Tregoo's" (m.18).

His name appears first on a Cornish deed of 1468;² but he was dead by 1490, when Peter, s. and h. of Richard Tregoy's, s. and h. of William Tregoy's, is to be given seisin of Talvern, Cornwall.³ But according to the Visitation of Cornwall he had an only da. and h., Elizabeth, who married Geoffrey Beauchamp.⁴

TRELAKE see DAVY.

TRELAWNEY (TRELAUNY), JOHN (1410-65); of Launceston, gent. M.P. Lostwithiel 1449 (1).

Second s. of Sir John Trelawney, who fought at Agincourt (see *Dict. Nat. Biog.*), by Agnes da. of Robert Tregodek. Sir John Trelawney was constable of Launceston and lived nearby at Trelawney in Altarnum.⁵

Elector, Corn., 1431. The Launceston boro' accounts mention the paying 2*d.* for bread and ale for John Trelawney in 1450, and for repairing the locks on a house near Trelawney's in 1451. He was mayor of Launceston in 1458, and was rioting there in June 1459. He was coroner of the county. The borough paid for covering his house, 1460/1, and he was sheriff of Cornwall 1461-2.

He must not be confused with John Trelawney of Brighter esq., who lived to a somewhat later date, and was perhaps his son.

TREMAYLE, Sir THOMAS (1440-1508); of Cannington, Som. Serjt.-at-law 1468-85, 1486-9; Justice K.B. 1489-1508. M.P. Bridport 1467-8; Bridgwater 1472-5; Lyme Regis 1478; sumnd. 1483, 1484, 1487, 1489-90, 1491-2, 1495, 1497, 1504.

S. of John Tremayle of Sidbury, Devon; *m.* Margaret Rivers of Dunster.

Serjeant-at-law by 1468;⁶ occurs in Somerset fines from 1469; and a feoffee for John Kendall (*q.v.*) in Bridgwater 1481; J.P. Som., 27 Nov. 1470 to 24 Sept.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 45/108.

³ *Geneal. N.S.* xxiii. p. 240.

⁵ Peters, *Launceston*, pp. 131, 133, 140, 145, 244.

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 490.

⁴ *Visitn. Cornwall*, p. 7.

⁶ Brymore archives.

1474. He lived at Cannington 3 miles from Bridgwater. On Somerset comns. from 1472 including the subsidy of Aug. 1483; and he was included with Catesby and Empson in a Devon inquest, 1480. Made King's serjt.-at-law, 26 Nov. 1481, renewed 27 June 1483 and 12 Nov. 1486. J.P. Berks., Oxon., Worcs., Glos., Staffs., Salop and Heref. from 1483. He was not sumnd. to the 1485-6 Parlt. Between 1485 and 1494 he was on 38 assize and gaol delivery comns. Justice of King's Bench, 16 July 1488. In 1499 he arbitrated between the Abbot of Bridgwater and the parish of Dunster.¹ He wrote to the mayor of Bridgwater touching the castle ditch and his influence with the Lady Margaret.² Kntd., Dec. 1501.

D. 1508; will, dat. 15 Aug., pr. 19 Sept. 1508.³

TREMAYNE, THOMAS (1410-60); of Winchester. M.P. Winchester 1449 (1).

In 1441 Tremayne, called junior, bailiff of the city of Winchester, was excused by vote of borough-mote from holding the office of bailiff again. In 1447, still junior, he was the collector of subsidy. From 1446-54 he was the tenant of a garden, paying 7s. rent to the city.⁴ He occurs in the Pipe Rolls of the bp. of Winchester 1446-50.

TREMAYNE, THOMAS (1405-81); of Collacomb in Lamerton, Devon. M.P. Tavistock 1449 (1).

S. and h. of Nicholas Tremayne of same by Jane d. and h. of John Doddscombe;⁵ m. Elizabeth da. of Thomas Carew.

He sued Nicholas Radford and Roger Champernoun in Mar. 1439; was owed £20 in 1441; in Jan. 1449 while Member of Parlt. he issued letters of attorney to give seisin to his son Laurence and Elizabeth, da. of John Penros Methale, of his lands in Treveder, Mogen Vyhan and Chynal next Henford.⁶

D., 1 Feb. 1481, when John, aged 30, was his s. and h.; lands—Devon.

TRENCHARD, HENRY (1410-67); of Hordhill. Constable of Carisbroke 1447-67; Forester of New Forest 1443-53; King's Servant 1442-60. M.P. HAMPSHIRE 1449-50.

Eschr. of Hants and Wilts. 1441-2; sheriff, Hants, 1443-4; a co-feoffee with the earl of Suffolk in Suffolk 1441, which may indicate association with the Household. Certainly he was a King's servant when granted the reversion of the parkership of Hampstead-Marshall, 1442. Next year he was made riding forester of the New Forest. In May 1443 he was granted the reversion, on the death of Humphrey of Gloucester, of the office of constable of Carisbroke and forester of the Isle of Wight. This was confirmed in 1446 and it is strange that he was not at the Bury Parliament. He was pardoned in 1446. Alarmed by their defenceless state, the inhabitants of Wight petitioned Parlt. in 1450 that Henry Trenchard, constable and porter of the island, should be ordered to reside in the island during war.⁷

¹ Collinson, *Somerset*, ii. 18.

² *Ex inf.* T. Bruce Dilks.

³ To be bur. in St. Brides, Fleet St., beside Margaret his late wife. A very beautifully expressed will—speaks of his profession, mentions his sons, Philip and John, and his das. Elizabeth, w. of John Whiting, Margaret, w. of Thomas Tully, Lucy, w. of Sir John Kirkham, and Jane, with room. for her marriage. Houses in Fleet St., at Sonde, and at Blackburn in Cannington, Som. Exors. :—his s., John Tremayle of Cannington, Thomas Tremayle, clerk, vicar of Cannington (P.C.C., 5 Bennett). ⁴ *Ex inf.* J. S. Furley.

⁵ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander. Thos. Tremayne was named, and therefore living, in the inq. p.m. on his father's mother Isabel (9 Hen. IV. No. 43), heiress of Damerel.

⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. 365.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. 205.

He may have been deprived of his New Forest appointment by the Parlt. in which he sat, for a fresh grant of it to him in 1452 was ante-dated to Nov. 1449. He sat on most comns. in Hampshire from 1448 to 1464, omitting those specially Lancastrian. Carisbroke was confirmed to him in May 1456, and the Yorkists confirmed it to him also in July 1461—the forestership also, in Nov. 1461. He was pardoned 4 May 1458 and 18 Mar. 1462, as “late sheriff, *alias* late farmer of an alien priory in the Isle of Wight, *alias* late of Hordhill, Hants (m.12). J.P. Hants, 20 May 1463 to 15 Feb. 1465; and 21 Apr. 1466 till death, for we may assume from the comns. of the peace that he died 1466/7.

TRENOWYTH (TRENEYTH), JOHN (1427-97); of Bodmin and Fentengollan; lawyer. M.P. CORNWALL 1449-50; (? 1470-1). Yorkist.

S. of John Trenowyth of Bodmin (*d.* 1445),¹ by Jane, da. of James Nanfan or Penpons; *m.* Honor, da. of William Tregarthyn.² His step-mother, Margaret, da. of Edward Pomeroy of Alveston, Devon,³ *rem.* Thomas Treseythuy, and Thomas Treseythuy and John Nanfan disputed for the next three years the custody of the infant John—when not suing each other they were being sued by the crown.⁴

An elector for Cornwall, Jan. 1449, called junior; John and Richard Trenowyth and twenty others witnessed as to John Nanskillly's lands in Truro, 1453.⁵ A Yorkist, for he was one of those comnd. in Dec. 1461 to arrest the Beauchamps in Cornwall; pardoned 2 Apr. 1463, as “of Trenowithen Hall, esq., *alias* late of Fentengolleth, gent.”; and again by the Yorkist govt., 10 Dec. 1471, as “of Fentengolleth, late of London esq.”, which makes it likely that he sat in the Readeption Parliament. J.P. Cornwall, of the quorum, 30 Dec. 1483 to 1485, and 12 Dec. 1492 till death; on Richard III's comns. of array. It is possible that he *m.* (2) about this time, the widow of the keeper of Ludgate gaol.⁶

D. 1497; bur. in St. Michael Penkevil Church, Cornwall.⁷

TRENTHAM, JOHN (1415-75); of Shrewsbury, draper. M.P. Shrewsbury 1459, 1467-8, 1469.

G.s. of William Trentham, saddler of Shrewsbury, who was admitted a burgess in 1384. He married the sister and heir of William Horde M.P.

A contemporary Shrewsbury chronicle records under 1455/6 “This year Queen Margaret gave badges; and my lord of Shrewsbury and John Trentham, then bailiff of the borough, varied, and had, either of them, a man slain.”⁸ Bailiff of Shrewsbury 1455 (styled draper), 1459, 1467, 1472—twice returned to Parliament while bailiff.⁹

TREOURAN, ROGER (1405-60); of Dreffveer, Cornwall. Coroner of Cornwall; lawyer. M.P. Truro 1449 (1); Helston 1455-6.

Perhaps s. of John Treouran, M.P. for Lostwithiel 1437.

On a piracy comn. at Penzance, Aug. 1433; on a Cornish inquest, Dec. 1438; enquired into the piracy of a Portingale ship at Mousehole, Corn., May 1444. He

¹ His father *d.* 26 Nov. 1445, when John was aged 18 years 5 weeks and 2 days.

² *Visitn. Cornwall*, 21. ³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 43/22.

⁴ *ibid.* 16/139, 16/697; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1446), 51.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 438. ⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 64/21. ⁷ Brass M.I.

⁸ MS. at Sweeny, Salop. “Varied,” *i.e.*, the Talbots and townsfolk came to blows.

⁹ Owen and Blakeway, *Salop*, i. 559.

witnessed a Lannargh deed, 1441; an elector of Cornwall, 1437, 1449 (1) (when elected for Truro), and 1453. Pardoned, 1 May 1458, as "of Dreff, Corn., gent., *alias* late of Dreffveer, *alias* of Gryfy, *alias* coroner of Cornwall, *alias* collector of the 15th and 10th lately granted in Parlt. at Leicester, 27 Henry VI" (m.13). His son, Roger junior, sat with him for Helston in 1455.

TREOURAN, ROGER (1430-60); of Dreffveer. M.P. Helston 1455-6 junior.

Probably s. and h. of Roger Treouran senior, M.P. (1405-60). They both were returned together for Helston in 1455, but there is no other reference to the younger Roger.

TRESAWELL, THOMAS (1445-1507/9); recorder of Plymouth 1496-1506; lawyer. M.P. Launceston 1478; (? somewhere 1483 Jan.); Plymouth 1497.

Probably s. of Thomas Tresawell the elder; m. Jane, widow (?), and exix. of William Yongge.¹

A Cornwall elector, then described as "the younger", 1478, when returned for Launceston; J.P. Cornwall, of the quorum, 28 Nov. 1476 to 30 Dec. 1483, and 8 Feb. 1486 to 14 Feb. 1487, and 1495 till death; on Cornish comns. 1477 till 1505, including the subsidy comns. of April and August 1483; mayor of Plymouth, 1481-2, 1485-6,² 1497-8, 1506-7;³ J.P. Devon, 28 Apr. 1491 to 28 Dec. 1504; recorder of Plymouth 1496⁴ till death.

D., to judge from his comns., 1507/9.

TRESHAM, Sir THOMAS (1422-71); of Sywell, N'hants.; King's servant; Controller of the Household; lawyer. M.P. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 1447; HUNTINGDONSHIRE 1449 (1), 1449-50; ? NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 1453-4, 1459 (SPEAKER), 1467-8, 1470-1 (probably again SPEAKER). Lancastrian.

S. and h. of William Tresham M.P., Speaker (1400-50), by Isabel (Vaux); m. (1) Margaret da. of William, lord Zouch of Harringworth, by whom he had John; (2) c. 1450 Alice da. of Thomas Mulsho M.P.

Young Tresham was brought up in the Household, and sat in his first three Parlt. while his father was Speaker. He was wounded when his father was murdered at Thorpland by Lancastrian, Lord Grey of Ruthyn;⁵ but Thomas Tresham remained Lancastrian and was made Controller of the Household.⁶ J.P. Hunts., 30 Jan. 1450 to 11 July 1459; sheriff, Cambs. and Hunts., 1451-2; J.P. N'hants., of the quorum, 9 July 1452 to Sept. 1460, 25 Jan. 1466 to 2 Apr. 1469, and 12 July 1470 till his death at Tewkesbury. Elector, N'hants., 1450, 1455, and in 1467 when elected. In 1451 Thomas Tresham of Sywell had an indult for a portable altar. He seems to have sat, probably for N'hants., in the 1453-4 Parlt.;

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 59/300.

² But he witnesses a Devon Deed, 25 Oct. 1487, as mayor "of Plymouth" (*Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 498).

³ R. N. Worth, *Hist. of Plymouth*.

⁴ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* ix. 274; Worth, *op. cit.*, 135.

⁵ "was slayne Tresham, the man of lawe, that was Speker of the Parlymentt and hys sone was soore woundyde in Northeampton schyre" (*Gregory's Chronicle*—Camden Soc. 1876—p. 195).

⁶ So says the article on him in *Dict. Nat. Biog.*; but we find no trace of the appt. in the Patent Rolls, or of payment made to him in respect of such office, in the Issue Rolls.

for, on 19 Jan. 1454, the Pastons report that Tresham, Joseph, Daniel and Trevelyan had made a Bill to the Lords asking for a garrison at Windsor to protect the King and Prince.¹ In Apr. 1455 he was one of those sumnd. to the great council for N'hants. The Council never met, for the Lancastrian government was defeated at St. Albans, 22 May. "The soley-cytours and causeys of the feld-takyng" at St. Albans were "the lord Clyfford, Rauff Percy, Thorpe, Tresham and Josep"²—so said the Yorkists.

He was again sheriff of Cambs. and Hunts., 1457-8 and of Surrey and Sussex, 1458-9; pardoned 1458; elected Speaker of the Parlt. of 1459, leading the attainder of the Yorkists. For his services in this Parlt. he was granted £40 a year for life. He remained with Queen Margaret and took part in the battle of St. Albans, 17 Feb. 1461, being kntd. by the infant Prince of Wales after the victory. On the 6 Mar. 1461 Edward IV's proclamation set £100 on his head. He was taken prisoner at Towton, 29 Mar. 1461, imprisoned, attainted in July but pardoned his life 26 Mar. 1464. The Parlt. of 1467-8, to which he was elected, reversed his attainder and partially restored his lands, on the ground that he was brought up a household servant of Henry VI; and in this same Parlt. he was one of those apptd. to investigate the charges against Hugh Bryce, the governor of the mint.³ Pardoned, 16 July 1468,⁴ but re-arrested Nov. 1468, and only released by Warwick in Oct. 1470. Presumably he sat in the 1470-1 Parlt., and may well have been the unknown Speaker.⁵ In Apr. 1471 he was proclaimed "traitor with Queen Margaret." He was taken at Tewkesbury on 4 May and beheaded on 6 May 1471. He was attainted, "late of Sywell, N'hants." and the attainder was reversed by Henry VII in 1485 for his s. John.⁶

TRESHAM, WILLIAM (1400-50); of Rushden and Sywell; lawyer.

M.P. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 1423-4, 1427-8, 1429-30, 1432, 1433, 1435, 1439-40 (SPEAKER), 1442 (SPEAKER), 1445-6, 1447 (SPEAKER), 1449-50 (SPEAKER). Yorkist.

S. and h. of Thomas Tresham of the same, living 1437;⁷ *m.* Isabel, da. of William Vaux, lawyer of Northampton, and sister of William Vaux M.P. (1400-1460) of Harrowden, by whom he had his s. Sir Thomas Tresham (1422-1471), a Speaker of the second generation.

Educated for the law; employed by Cardinal Beaufort in 1423 when first returned to Parlt.; elector, N'hants., 1425, 1431, 1437 (whenever not elected); J.P. N'hants., of the quorum, 24 Mar. 1439 till death; first elected Speaker 12 Nov. 1439, and on 12 Sept. 1440, he was granted revenues from the alien priories; granted a free warren in his manors of Rushden, Sywell and Harrington, N'hants., 10 Nov. 1441;⁸ Speaker again 1442 and rewarded with the reversion of the office of Chancellor of the Duchy; retained by the King at £20 a year from 19 May 1443;⁹ J.P. Hunts., 13 Apr. 1446 till death; confirmation of grants of Duchy of

¹ *Paston Letters*, i. 264. ² *ibid.* i. 332. ³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 616-7, 634.

⁴ As "late of Sywell, N'hants., *alias* late of Holborn, Mdsx., late sheriff of Surrey and Sussex, late sheriff of Cambs. and Hunts., late escheator of N'hants." (m.33).

⁵ *Year Book*, 1 Hen. VII.

⁶ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Thos. Tresham, where however the reference in note 5 has not been observed.

⁷ Pardon Roll, 1437 (m.10). ⁸ *Cal. Char. Rolls*, vi. 30.

⁹ Issue Roll, No. 749.

Lancaster lands, Apr. 1446;¹ again Speaker, 1447; Chancellor of the Duchy 1 Nov. 1447. He resigned his post to Say, the Speaker of the 1449 (1) Parl. in which he did not sit, July 1449; exempted from resumption by Parl. 1449-50.²

As Speaker of that Parl. he took a prominent part in Suffolk's impeachment, presenting to the Lords the formal indictment by the Commons, 7 Feb. 1450. As the speakership was almost a court appointment he was therefore regarded as a traitor by the Court, where his son was serving in the Household. His sympathies were evidently strongly Yorkist, and when the Duke of York came over from Ireland in Aug. 1450, Tresham set out from Rushden to meet him on the way; but he was waylaid at Thorplands near Moulton, N'hants., and there killed by the men of Lord Grey of Ruthin. The Parl. of Nov. 1450 granted his widow's petition for justice, but nothing was done against either agents or principals; and his son, the future Speaker, Sir Thomas Tresham, supported the Court party.³

TRETHEWY, ROBERT⁴ (1420-80); of East Looe. M.P. Liskeard 1455-6.

Elder brother of Thomas Trethewy M.P. (1425-85), and perhaps son of William Trethewy, M.P. Liskeard 1429 and 1435, of Keverell, Cornwall, who was pardoned 1462. In 1475/80 Thomas, bro. and h. of Robert Trethewy sued feoffees to uses for tenements in East Looe.⁵

TRETHEWY, THOMAS (1425-85); of Reskymer. Coroner. M.P. CORNWALL 1467-8.

Perhaps son of William Trethewy M.P. Liskeard 1429, 1435; and bro. and h. of Robert Trethewy M.P. Liskeard 1455;⁶ *m.* Elizabeth, widow of William Reskemer.

Elector, Cornwall, 1449 (1); on Cornish comns. from 1468, including those of 1484. Trethewy was a petitioner to Parliament in 1472/3, and no member. John Vivian accused him, one of the coroners of the county, of setting on his servants to murder Vivian and his wife; and Trethewy "late of Reskemer beside Trefury, esq." and Elizabeth his wife, late wife of William Reskemer, were accordingly outlawed for failing to appear. They petitioned Parliament "your Besechers should have bidden still in prisone during the lyfes and likely there to have dyed," and Elizabeth was with child, and their petition for annulment was granted.⁷

He was engaged in continual litigation, 1480/3, with Elizabeth's son, John Reskemer, in connection with Trethewes and Reskymer;⁸ with the prior of St. Germans;⁹ or concerning property in Lostwithiel.¹⁰ He had a tin-works at St. Austell in 1483/5.¹¹ J.P. Cornwall, 30 Dec. 1483 to 22 Nov. 1484. He probably died soon after 1484, but he was alive and added to a comn. on 8 Dec. 1484.

TREUTHALL (TRUTHALL), (Sir) JOHN (1415-75); of Loughton, Lincs. M.P. LINCOLNSHIRE 1453-4.

Such a man was feoffee for Lord Beaumont, 1437; was exempted from all

¹ *Rot. Parl.* v, pp. 70-3. The grants dated from 1443 to 1445.

² *Rot. Parl.* v, p. 190; except for an annuity of £20 a year out of Brigstock, N'hants.

³ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. William Tresham.

⁴ Possibly "Robert" is a mistake for Thomas. ⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 58/197.

⁶ *ibid.* 58/197. ⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 52-54.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 56/163, 61/209. ⁹ *ibid.* 20/77, 65/4. ¹⁰ *ibid.* 65/9. ¹¹ *ibid.* 65/133.

offices, 1442; was Lord Beaumont's man in 1444, and a feoffee for Lord Bardolf in Rutland in 1451. Treuthall was on Lincs. comms. 1452 and 1453. He was probably Lancastrian in 1453, and was certainly a supporter of the Readeption Government, for in Dec. 1471 the Duke of Gloucester was granted Treuthall's lands forfeited by his rebellion, *viz.* Laughton, Ingoldsby, etc., Lincs., and Rempston, etc., Notts. He was pardoned, 12 Feb. 1472, "of Loughton, Lincs., knt." If he really was knighted this is the last we hear of him or it. In March 1486 John Treuthall esq. was granted the office of bailiff of the manors of Butterwick, Frieston and Boston, Lincs. This is more likely to be a son of the same name.

TREVELYAN, JOHN (1415-75/84); of Restormel, Corn.; of the Household; Keeper of the Council Chamber 1447-50; Squire of the Body 1447-50; Keeper of the Armoury in the Tower 1446-60. M.P. Huntingdon boro' 1442, (? 1445-6), 1447; CORNWALL 1453-4. Lancastrian.

S. of Thomas Trevelyan of the same, and Lucy; *m.* Elizabeth Whalesborough, heiress of Whalesborough, Corn., and from him descend both George Macaulay Trevelyan O.M. and the Rt. Hon. Sir Charles Philips Trevelyan bart. of Wallington, M.P.

King's serjeant, King's servant, King's esquire, are generic terms; Trevelyan was always all of these from 1441 to 1461. It is the titles of his offices at Westminster and rewards in Cornwall which, like his mixed representation of Huntingdon and Cornwall, are significant.

As groom of the chamber, he was made bailiff itinerant in Cornwall, 1441; as yeoman of the chamber, granted forfeited goods, 1442; as yeoman of the crown, had a wardship, 1442; steward of the duchy of Cornwall in Corn. and eschr. of Devon and Corn., Oct. 1442; as yeoman of the crown made keeper of Trematon castle, parker of Restormel and keeper of the fishery of Fowey, 1443; was granted a moiety of Helston manor and boro', 1444. He was one of the 31 yeomen of the crown and chamber at the coronation of Queen Margaret in 1445, joint constable of Hadley castle, 1446, and keeper of the armoury in the Tower, Oct. 1446.¹ He received lands in Cornwall, and the keeping of the council chamber in Westminster, and the reversion (after the death of William Norton) of the post of usher of the receipt of the Exchq., 27 Mar. 1447. The fall of Gloucester accelerated the flow of emoluments. He and his frequent partner, Thomas Bodulgate (*q.v.*) were made joint parkers of Liskeard, Apr. 1447; in July he had the reversion of the office of parker of Eltham, after the death of Robert Davison. More wardships came to him, and annuities from his office of constable of Trematon and keeper of Restormel.

This was the climax of his power, for the Parlt. of 1449-50, in which he had no seat, passed the first Act of Resumption, and all the "exemption" there shown to have been secured by Trevelyan was his office of usher of the chamber with salary of £25 a year from Helston, the issues of Cornwall and from Restormel park and the fishery of Fowey.² He was one of those specially denounced by Cade³—one of those whose downfall they rhymed and sang.⁴ They pictured Trevelyan on his

¹ Plain "John Trevelyan esq." on the pardon roll, 1446. ² *Rot. Parl.* v. 191.

³ His waning power is shown by the forfeiture for piracy of the ship *Edward* of Polruan, of which he was part owner, Feb. 1450. ⁴ See under Thomas Daniell M.P.

knees being shriven "*Libera me* singeth Trevelyan"—called him "the Cornish Chough".¹ He was denounced in Parlt. Dec. 1450, and that Parlt. petitioned for his removal from the King's presence; in Apr. 1451 they ordered his indictment by a comn.; but by Mar. 1452 he and the Lancastrians were once more safe, and Trevelyan, called yeoman of the crown, was regranted 6*d.* a day out of Cornwall to date from Mich. 1447, when he was held to have been "raised to be esquire of the body". He was regranted also the office of keeper of the armoury in the Tower, Mar. 1453; pardoned specially by the King, 4 Feb. 1453;² J.P. Corn., 6 Mar. 1455 to 26 Feb. 1459; on many comns. in Cornwall till the fall of the Lancastrian dynasty; pardoned again Oct. 1455 (m.31) and 16 Feb. 1458, as of London or of Cornwall; under-sheriff of Cornwall (under the Prince of Wales), 1459-60.

On 10 June 1460, when the earls landed at Sandwich, Trevelyan was sent to Cornwall to commit to prison all adherents of the duke of York. If he fought at Towton he escaped; a comn. was issued for his arrest, and in July 1461 the eschr. of Surrey and Sussex was ordered to seize the lands late of John Trevelyan. He was attainted, but pardoned June 1462.³ However a new comn. was issued for his arrest in May 1463; again pardoned 14 July 1468, with all the usual aliases, but with this now added—farmer of the borough of Lostwithiel (m.32).⁴ When Henry came back Trevelyan took no part and was again pardoned by the Yorkists,⁵ and put on comns. in Aug. 1474-5.

Some time between 1475 and 1484 he died; for the Parlt. of 1484 attainted his son John Trevelyan, which attainder was reversed in 1485.⁶

TREWE (TRUE), WILLIAM (1450-1521); of Reading, grazier. M.P. Reading 1483 Oct., 1487.

Thomas Trewe, King's servant, was granted tenements in Cowe Crowe, London, 26 Jan. 1486; the same tenements were granted to William Cope, 26 Nov. 1487, as Thomas Treu *alias* Shyngill held them.⁷ William was a non-resident burgess of Reading (or made default of appearance), 1498-9.⁸

D. 1521. Will, dat. 1 Mar., pr. 4 Dec. 1521. To be bur. in St. Laurence's, Reading. Bequests to John Trewe, to the da. of his s. William, to das. Isabel and Anne Johnson, to w. Jane, and to every god-child a lamb. Residue to Thomas Everard and Roger Johnson, exors.⁹

TREWE, WILLIAM (1465-1510/1); ald. of Lynn, clothier. M.P. Lynn 1504.

Perhaps s. of Robert Trewe of same, mayor 1497; *m.* Beatrice da. of Thomas Thoresby M.P.; she survived and *m.* (2) William Conningsby.

Admtd. to his freedom 1488/9, when called clothier; mayor of Lynn 1504;¹⁰

¹ *Excerpta Hist.* 161. ² Close Rolls (1448), 35.

³ Pardon Roll 1462, John Trevelyan esq., late of London, *alias* of Stone, Kent, *alias* late eschr., *alias* farmer of Restormel, *alias* late sheriff of Cornwall.

⁴ He sued, about this time, the exors. of Dame Elizabeth Blount for evidences relating to his livelihood in Mdsx.

⁵ 1471 Pardon Roll, as late of Restormel esq., late sheriff of Cornwall, late of Nettlescombe, Cornwall.

⁶ See also *Trevelyan Papers* (Camden Society). ⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1487), 196.

⁸ Guilding, *Reading Diaries*, I. 94, 98. ⁹ P.C.C., 19 Maynwaryng.

¹⁰ Le Strange, *Norfolk Official Lists*, 192.

had permission to trade with the Baltic, 1508; pardoned, 1509, being alderman and keeper of the guild of merchants of Holy Trinity, also coroner of Lynn;¹ exor. to Thomas Thoresby (*q.v.*), 1510.

D. 1510/1. Will of William Trewé of Lynn, merchant—dat. 14 Oct. 1505, pr. 16 Mar. 1512.² To be bur. in St. Margaret's, Lynn. To da. Agnes Trewé 80 wayt of baye salte and three tenements in Bridgegate, 14 acres of land in Gaywode fields. To sis.-in-law, Katherine Trewé, £3. Residue to w., Beatrice, and she exix. with Thomas Gybon gent., Francis Moundeford gent., and John Bundy.³

TREWEMAN, RICHARD. M.P. Barnstaple 1449–50.

Undiscovered; but was his name Treweman or was it Richard Newcomb, who was Mayor of Barnstaple 1449 and 1456?⁴

TRIGOTT (TRYGOTTE), THOMAS (1430–1504); of South Kirkby, Yorks.; lawyer. M.P. Wootton Bassett 1453–4.

Exor. of the will of Thomas Sutyll, vicar of South Kirkby, 1467.⁴ Pardoned, Sept. 1471, as late of Kirkeby, Yorks., gent.; exor. and feoffee for Sir James Harington (*q.v.*), 1482; lord Scrope of Masham, dying 1495, left him an annuity of 5 marks, and Trigott had been one of his feoffees.⁵ In 1500 John Sothill made Thomas Trigott junior his exor. On 4 Nov. 1502 the keeping of a messuage called Clement Doddes in Raynham, Essex, was granted to Robert Udale and Harry Savage on the mainprise of Thomas Thacher of London, gent. and of Thomas Trygot of London, gent.⁶

D. 1504; will, as of South Kirkby, pr. at York 1504. Wife Jane his exix.⁷

TROPENELL, THOMAS (1410–88); of Neston, Wilts., and later of Great Chalfield, Wilts. Lord Hungerford's agent; lawyer. M.P. Bedwin 1429–30; Bath 1449 (1), (? 1470–1). Lancastrian.

S. of Henry Tropenell by Edith, da. of Walter Roche; *m.* (1) Agnes,⁸ widow of Thomas Bourton; and (2) in May 1456, Margaret, widow of John Erleigh (*q.v.*) of Earley-Maiden, Berks., da. of William Ludlow (*q.v.*).

Elector, Bath, 1437; admtd. to Lincoln's Inn, 1445. Lord Hungerford conveyed Hill Deverell to Tropenell and Agnes his wife, Dec. 1447.⁹ He took part in the suppression of the Wilts. "rebels", Sept. 1450, and was said to be conspiring at Shaftesbury to frame a charge against Thomas Pole of Salisbury of stealing 600 sheep, 1458. He had East Chalfield by 1459,¹⁰ and when Robert, lord Hungerford, died that year he bequeathed to Tropenell "one silver cup and my arms cut in a sun". He is described as "a perilous covetous man" who had an uncle about the court, and who certainly forged a pedigree for himself. He built up a fortune, apparently by buying up bad titles, many of them now in print. He built himself a lovely house, and his portrait is at Great Chalfield.

The Yorkist arrival made no difference to Thomas Tropenell. He was pardoned in 1464, as "of Neston, Wilts., gent." in 1468. But the Hungerfords were

¹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 213. ² P.C.C., 7 Fetiplace.

³ Gribble, *Memorials of Barnstaple*, 200.

⁴ *Test. Ebor.* ii. 7 note.

⁵ *ibid.* iv. 74.

⁶ Fine Roll, 18 Hen. VII (m.14). ⁷ *Test. Ebor.* iv. 171.

⁸ Immer, Wilts., was settled on Tropenell and his heirs in Mar. 1438, when he may have married.

⁹ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 31.

¹⁰ *Geneal. N.S.* xviii. 242.

Lancastrian, and he administered the Hungerford lands, so that he was J.P. Wilts., 18 Nov. 1470 to 1471, and on other comns. under the Readeption Government. The Yorkists pardoned him, Dec. 1471—called “late of London, gent.”, which makes it likely that he sat in the 1470-1 Parlt. When Margaret, lady Hungerford, died, he was naturally her exor. and feoffee, 1476. He was pardoned again by Richard III twice over, in 1484.¹

D. 30 Jan. 1488, when Christopher, aged 25, was his s. and h.; lands—Great Chalfield, Maiden Bradley, Hindon, etc. Will dat. 5 Nov. 1487, pr. 26 Feb. 1488.²

Tropenell's tomb is still in Corsham Church. His son Christopher died in 1505, and was succeeded by Thomas Tropenell, then a minor.³

TROTT, BARTHOLOMEW (1420-80); of Bodmin, chapman, mercer, vintner, tin-merchant, grocer, draper. M.P. Bodmin 1455-6.

S. of Thomas Trott.

On 1 July 1455, after he had been elected but before Parliament opened, a comn. was appointed to enquire touching trespasses done to the prior of St. Petrocks by Bartholomew Trott, chapman, Thomas Lucombe (M.P.) and 25 more including Richard Trott, all of Bodmin. But Bartholomew found his place on the pardon roll, 12 Nov. 1455, “late mayor of Bodmin, *alias* of Bodmin, merchant mercer, vintner, tin-merchant, grocer, draper” (m.15). It is curious that he missed out “chapman” from his very complete inventory. Next year, on 12 July 1456, after Trott had ceased to be M.P., the comn. was reappointed. The chapman was one of the culprits, but the list is headed by John Flamank of Bocarn, and all armed, 100 or more, they had taken vast quantities of fish from the prior's mill, and broken the doors of the priory and church, and assaulted the prior, and imprisoned two canons 5 hours, &c. On 9 Feb. 1458 he was again pardoned, merchant and ex-mayor (m.31).

In 1465/70 Bartholomew son of Thomas Trott sued Thomas Ravyn of Fowey for the deeds of a messuage in Fowey, late of Thomas Trott.⁴ He took out a pardon again on Edward IV's return, 30 Nov. 1471, as mercer and merchant, and turned against the lawyer Flamank. In 1475/85 he sued the mayor of London for detaining him pending an action of trespass brought against him by Richard Flamank to prevent him from presenting a bill to the King and Council against Flamank for riot.⁵

TROTT, ROBERT (1420-85); of London, tallow-chandler. M.P. Arundel 1450-1.

Controller of customs at Poole, 8 Sept. 1451. In 1460/5 Robert Trott, tallow-chandler, sued William Seton, cutler of London, for refusing to receive payment

¹ 23 Mar. 1484, as “of East Chaldeford, esq., *alias* gent., *alias* of Great Chaldefeld” (m.18), and again in Nov., with the added description of “Neston in Corsham, Wilts.”

² To be bur. in the par. ch. at Corsham, “in the tomb made for myself and my wife Margaret”; prayers for both of them, and for the souls of Walter and Robert, late lords Hungerford, and for Margaret, late lady Hungerford, and for Lady Botreaux and Thomas Hungerford knt. Bequests to da. Mary, and to Richard Erley (M.P.). Exors.:—Robert Baynard esq., Robert Lygh, and his s. Christopher, who is residuary legatee (P.C.C., 7 Milles).

³ For much of this biography we are indebted to Mr. Storey Maskelyne.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 35/62. ⁵ *ibid.* 66/418.

of a debt a quarter of an hour after it was due.¹ In 1463/7 he was sued as tallow-chandler, together with Thomas Hert, stationer, as sureties²—(*William Hert* in 1453 was also M.P. for Arundel). In 1465/83 an action for debt was brought by Trott and other "professional jurymen".³ In 1480/3 Robert Trott of Southwark was sued for detention of deeds.⁴

TROTT, THOMAS (1460-1530); of Bodmin. M.P. Bodmin 1485-6, 1504.

He was paid 20*d.* by Bodmin as a reward for attending Parlt. (19-20 Hen. VII).⁵ A comnr. of subsidy 1523 and 1524 at Bodmin.⁶ Cf. Bartholomew Trott M.P. Bodmin (1420-80).

TROUTBECK (TROUTEBEK), JOHN (1410-58); of Oxhey, Herts., j.u., and of Frodsham, Cheshire; Chamberlain of Chester 1437-58; Kings' Remembrancer of Exchr. 1447-50. M.P. HERTFORDSHIRE 1442, 1447; Hindon 1449 (1); Weymouth 1450-1. Lancastrian.

S. of William Troutbeck, chancellor of Lancaster (*d.* 1437/9);⁷ *m.* (1) 1432 Margery (*d.* 1457),⁸ da. and h. in 1432 of Thomas Hulse of Oxhey;⁹ (2) Alice, who, as late wife of John Troutbeck, sued Sir William Troutbeck, son of John Troutbeck, for the manor of Oxhey, Herts., in 1458/9.¹⁰ This son, Sir William Troutbeck of the Wirrall, was slain at Blore Heath, 1459, fighting on the Lancastrian side.

In 1437 John Troutbeck, as King's squire, was given the keeping of the park of Pikham in Hawarden,¹¹ and in May 1439 he was made sole steward and receiver of Hawarden and Mold; on comns. in Herts. in May 1438; sheriff of Chester, 29 Dec. 1438 to 10 July 1439; a letter from the Privy Council was addressed to him, as Chamberlain of Chester, May 1441, and he had a special "reward";¹² pardoned 1446. In March 1447, just after Parlt. rose, the King's Cheshire esquires, Daniel and Troutbeck, were granted jointly the office of Remembrancer of the King's Part in the Exchequer, which office was resumed by the Parliament (in which he did not sit), of 1449-50. He was pardoned, 1452, as "of Chester, late of London, squire or gent."; pardoned by the Yorkists, 1455, as of Chester esq. with no alternative. It is doubtful if he remained Chamberlain of Chester.¹³

D. 26 Aug. 1458, when William, aged 25, was his s. and h. Lands—London, Herts. and Salop.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/292. ² *ibid.* 30/66. ³ *ibid.* 32/293. ⁴ *ibid.* 61/298.

⁵ Lysons, *Magna Britannia*, Cornwall, p. 32. ⁶ *L. & P., Hen. VIII*, pp. 1365, 237.

⁷ In May 1437 the Pardon Roll includes William Troutbeck esq., Chamberlain of Chester and Chancellor of Lancaster, and he had his Chamberlaincy of Chester extended for the benefit of his son, John, after his death; and his son, John, was joined with him as parker of Shotwicke, Cheshire, and as steward and receiver of Hawarden and Mold.

⁸ 6 June 1457 a mandate was issued to the eschr. of Salop to hold an inq. *p.m.* on Magerie who was wife of John Troutbeck esq. (Fine Roll, 35 Hen. VI, m.23).

⁹ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1433), 218; *Visitn. Cheshire*, 223; *Visitn. Notts.*, 61; Inq. *p.m.* 11 Hen. VI, No. 50.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/262.

¹¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1437), 35 and 57.

¹² Issue Rolls, 1441.

¹³ In 1450/53 William Denny and Agnes, his w., sued John Troutbeck, Chamberlain of Chester, and cousin of Agnes, for the profits from the lands of Agnes, of which Troutbeck was overseer (*Early Chan. Proc.* 19/133).

TROYS, THOMAS (1445-1508); of Owslebury, Hants. Clerk of Works at Clarendon 1472-97; peseur at Southampton 1485-1508; lawyer. M.P. Arundel 1472-5; HAMPSHIRE 1478.

His wage was 1s. a day when made clerk of the works at Clarendon, 27 Feb. 1472; exempted from resumption 1473;¹ eschr., Hants and Wilts., 1473-4, and pardoned arrears of that office 1477; sheriff, Hants, 1474-5; on a piracy comn. 1477. He accounted for Clarendon continuously 1472-97,² continuing under Richard III, undisturbed by Henry VII, exempted 1485.³ J.P. Hants, of the quorum, 4 Dec. 1485 to 28 Feb. 1493; sheriff, Hants, 1489-90, 1496-7; J.P. Glos., 17 May 1496 to 1505. He had a grant during Warwick's minority of the office of peseur in Southampton 1485;³ and in this office he was joined by William his son in Nov. 1492; J.P. Hants again, 1500 till death; on comns. in Hants, chiefly musters and gaol deliveries and oyer 1487-1502; also subsidy comn. 1504. He was granted the wardship and marriage of the heirs of Sir John Philpot in 1505.

D. 1508; will dat. 27 Apr., pr. Nov. 1508. To be bur. in chancel of St. Andrews, Oswestry, before the altar. Bequests to church of Chaldington, Wilts.; to da. Dorothy Uvedale;⁴ to s. William all the hangings in the hall. Residue to wife Katryne. Exor., s. William.⁵

TRUE see TREWE.

TRUNK, JOHN (1435-96); of Lynn, grocer. M.P. Stamford 1467-8. S. of John Trunk and Margaret; *m.* Margaret.

He was on a comn. in 1463 to effect arrests in Lincs., and in 1468 concerning the swans on Whittlesea mere, Cambs.

D. 1496; will of John Trunche, burgess and grocer of Lynn, dat. 15 May, pr. 12 July 1496.⁶

TRUSSELL, Sir WILLIAM (1435-80); of Elmesthorp; Knt. of the Body 1472-81. M.P. LEICESTERSHIRE 1472-5, 1478.

S. and h. of Sir Thomas Trussell of the same (*d.* 1471) by Elizabeth da. and coh. of William Burley of Bromcroft M.P. (1390-1459) the Speaker.⁷

Kntd. 1455/8; pardoned in 1458 a debt to the exors. of Sir Humphrey Stafford of Grafton (slain 1450), and then described as "knt. of Elmesthorpe, Leics., *alias* of London"; elector, Leics., 1467; licence to enter on his father's lands, 20 Nov. 1471; on a Berks. comn. of array, 7 Mar. 1472, and there already a knt. of the body; J.P. Berks., 30 May 1473 to 7 Dec. 1474; granted as knt. of the body, jointly with John Cheyne esq., the collation to the next vacant canonry at Windsor, 1474; served on the King's expedition to France with 6 men-at-arms and 60

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 91.

² *Exchq. Accts.* 460/12 to 460/16.

³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 366; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1492), 406.

⁴ Dorothy *m.* Sir Wm. Uvedale of Wickham, Hants (1484-1528), eldest s. and h. of Sir Wm. Uvedale of same (1455-1524), and g.s. of Sir Thos. Uvedale of Wickham and of Titsey, Surrey (*qq.v.*) (*Dict. Nat. Biog. sub* Uvedale).

⁵ P.C.C., 9 Bennett.

⁶ Bequests to s. "Sir" John and to Elizabeth Curteys, da. of Regnold Curteys. His s. Thomas to have his house in Stongate. His s. "Sir" John to sing "for my soul, for John Trunche and Margaret his wife, my fader and moder" and for the souls of Robert Roper and Jane his wife by the space of three years, taking 8 marks by the year. Bequests to w. Margaret. Exors., Thomas Bretayne, Thomas Trunche his s., and Richard Newbold of Lynn (P.C.C., 31 Vox).

⁷ Dugdale, *Warwickshire*, pp. 714, 717.

archers ;¹ sheriff, Leics. and Warw., 1475-6 ; on comns. Leics. 1478 ; a retainer of lord Hastings.²

D. shortly before 24 June 1480 when his writ *diem clausit* was sent to the eschrs. of 7 counties.³ The keeping of his lands and heir, Edward, was granted to William, lord Hastings, Apr. 1481.⁴ Edward was dead, leaving a da. and h. in 1500.

TRUSSELL, WILLIAM ; of Billesley, Warw. Bedford's servant. M.P. Stafford boro' 1487.

Perhaps s. of Sir William Trussell of Kibblestone, Staffs. ;⁵ m. Cecily da. of John Curzon of Keddleston.⁶

William Trussell esq., for service to Jasper, duke of Bedford, was granted the office of bailiff of Maxstoke, Warw., during Buckingham's minority, 15 Feb. 1486.⁷ Elected for Stafford through Buckingham-Stafford influence, 1487.

TRUTHALL see TREUTHALL.

TRY, JOHN (1440-85) ; of Gloucester and of Hardwick, Glos., gent. M.P. Gloucester boro' 1467-8, (? 1470-1), 1472-5, (and ? 1484).

S. and h. of John Try of Standish,⁸ who was sheriff, Glos., 1448, by Elizabeth da. and h. of Amery Butler of Hardwick.

An elector for the county 1472, when returned for the borough ; while M.P. he was put on the comn. to enquire into missing crown revenues in Glos. One of the two bailiffs of Gloucester in 1477, which may account for his non-return to the 1478 Parlt. ; he was then again an elector for the county. First mayor of Gloucester (in place of the two bailiffs) 1483-4. He took out a pardon, 16 Nov. 1484, " of Gloucester, gent., late bailiff and mayor, *alias* a feoffee for Sir William Nottingham (*q.v.*), *alias* late of Hardwick, *alias* son of John Trye of Hardwick, gent., *alias* late of London, gent."—which last *alias* makes it appear likely that he was M.P. again in 1483 or 1484—or a lawyer.

D. 1485. Will,⁹ dat. 3 Aug., pr. 14 Nov. 1485. To be bur. in St. Michaels, Gloucester. Residue to wife Katherine and she exix. with William Newman and William Bayley. Supervisors—Mr. David Olond, rector of St. Michaels, and William Trye esq., testator's brother.⁹

TRYGOTTE see TRIGOTT.

TUCKER (TOWKER), WALTER ; of Wells. M.P. Wells 1459.

A John Towker of Wells, yeoman *alias* gent., was pardoned in 1458. Walter was pledge for John Gully when made free of Wells in 1460, and for Thomas Morys, weaver, in 1464.¹⁰

TUCKER (TOKER), WILLIAM ; of Bristol, stapler. M.P. Bristol 1489-90.

Perhaps s. of Walter Toker, pewterer of Bristol in 1462. And a William Toker was a co-feoffee with John Hody (*q.v.*) in Somerset 1481. And a William Touker of Wyke, Som., was a feoffee there, 1480. The name is too common to link up with certainty any of the above.

¹ *Foedera*, V. iii. 57. ² Dugdale, *Baronage*, 583. ³ Fine Roll, 20 Edw. IV (m.14).

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1481), 275. ⁵ Kibblestone is the modern spelling of Cublesdon.

⁶ *Visitn. Warw.* ⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1486), 79. ⁸ Pardon Roll, 1446 (m.20).

⁹ P.C.C., 17 Logge. ¹⁰ Wells City Charters, *Somerset Record Soc.*, xl. p. 149.

The M.P. was certainly mayor of Bristol 1491-2;¹ and, called "Towket", mayor of the staple of Bristol, 19 Sept. 1491.² It is possible that he died at Winchester 1503.³

TUDDENHAM, HENRY (1430-61); Lawyer? M.P. Truro 1455-6; Farnham 1460-1. Lancastrian.

Bastard son of Sir Thomas Tuddenham M.P. (1401-62).⁴ There were admitted to the freedom of Ipswich in 1450, "Henry Tudenham son of Thomas Tudenham" and "Gilbert son of Gilbert Debenham"—neither having any children.⁵ Escheator, Norfolk and Suffolk, 1457-8; on a Lancastrian comm. in East Anglia, with many lawyers, Feb. 1460; and specially excepted from offer of pardon, 6 Mar. 1461. There is no doubt of his or his father's politics, but why he sat for Truro is by no means clear. The bishop of Winchester must have returned him for Farnham.

TUDDENHAM, Sir THOMAS (1401-62); of Oxburgh,⁶ Norfolk. Clérk or Keeper of the Great Wardrobe 1446-50; Keeper of the King's Wardrobe and Treasurer of the Household 1458-60. M.P. SUFFOLK 1431; NORFOLK 1432, 1435, 1439-40, 1442, 1443-4. Lancastrian.

Bro. and h. of Robert Tuddenham of the same (d. 1417), being yr. s. of Robert Tuddenham by Margaret, da. of John Harling.⁷ Proved his age 1422.⁸ M. Alice, da. of John Woodhouse, but he divorced her in 1436. He had an illegitimate son, Henry Tuddenham (q.v.).

He held Newton, Parham and Wherstead of the duke of Norfolk, 1433; kntd. by 1431; sheriff, Norf. and Suff., 1432-3, and for that reason not M.P. in 1433; sworn to the peace in Norfolk, 1434; pardoned 1446; clerk or keeper of the Great Wardrobe, Mich. 1446 to June 1450;⁹ "exclusive control and custody of the Great Wardrobe", exclusive even of the Treasurer, Mar. 1447.¹⁰

Cade's rising was unfortunate for officials, and Tuddenham lost the Great Wardrobe, June 1450. The Pastons heard with rejoicing that Tuddenham, Heydon and Wyndham (qq.v.) were to be indicted, Oct. 1450; they were to appear before the justices in *oyer* at Lynn, Christmas 1450.¹¹ On 3 Dec. 1450 his lodgings in London, together with those of the Duke of Somerset and Lord Hoo and

¹ Barrett, *Bristol*.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1491), 365.

³ Will P.C.C., 29 Blamyr.

⁴ Davy, Add. MS. Brit. Mus. 19152.

⁵ Ipswich Corporation Records, *ex inf.* V. B. Redstone.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1438), 241. He was 21 on 10 May 1422 (Inq. p.m. C. 139.8.77).

⁷ *Norfolk Visitn.* 28.

⁸ Proof of age, 1 Hen. VI.

⁹ He accounts as Keeper 1446-50 (Exchq. Accts.—Wardrobe); in Issue Rolls always called "clerk of the great wardrobe", but generally "keeper" on the Patent Rolls. There was no higher office at the great wardrobe; but the office of Keeper of the King's Wardrobe was of far greater importance, being always called alternatively Treasurer of the Household.

¹⁰ In July 1447 he received £3,700 for the Wardrobe expenses, and in Jan. 1449 there is a grant to the King's Knight, Thomas Tuddenham, "Keeper" of the Gt. Wardrobe, of £300 a year for his expenses, as long as he shall hold office.

¹¹ 1451, Memo. for the prosecution. Tuddenham maintained a cowper at Gayton who slew a tenant of Daniels; and there is a list drawn up by the Pastons of those oppressed by Tuddenham and Heydon. In 1451 also the town of Swaffham petitioned that Thomas Tuddenham of Oxburgh, knt., had for 26 years occupied the lordship of Swaffham and oppressed its inhabitants . . . "he was a common extortioner."

Hastings were looted.¹ But in Mar. 1451 Margaret Paston writes to her husband :—“ Other tidings have we none, but that Tuddenham and Heydon should again have the rule in this county as much as ever they had, or more ”; and in July 1451 Tuddenham was pardoned all offences, save £200 which he owed to the King. The struggle continued, and in Apr. 1452 there was a proclamation by the Duke of Norfolk referring to “ grettest ryots, orryble wrongs ” done by Lord Scales, Tuddenham, Heydon, and Miles Stapleton.² In spite of these troubles Tuddenham was elected for the county 1453, but not in 1455, for in 1455 the Duke of Norfolk was to write to the under-sheriff that the shire should have a free election so that Sir Thomas Tuddenham “ were not or none that was toward the Duke of Suffolk ” elected.³ Yet in 1458 between May and Nov. Tuddenham had been made Keeper of the King’s Wardrobe and Treasurer of the Household in succession to John Breknok (*q.v.*), and he held the post till the battle of Northampton when he was succeeded by Sir Walter Skull (*q.v.*). Even after Northampton, Tuddenham succeeded in getting from the Yorkists £491 owing to him for expenses of the Household.

The new King was, however, too much for Tuddenham, and in Apr. 1461 his arrest was ordered as a rebel and adherent of Henry VI. In June 1461 the Pastons reported with dismay that Tuddenham and Heydon had a pardon—but Tuddenham had no pardon. With the Earl of Oxford, Tyrell and John Montgomery, he was arrested 12 Feb. 1462, and the three commoners were beheaded on Tower Hill on the 23rd. Margaret, aged 60, wife of Edmund Bedingfield and sister of Thomas Tuddenham, was his heir.⁴ Will made in the Tower, pr. 1465.⁵ Sir John Wenlock had been his colleague in the Household and had joined the winning side—he was his exor.

TUDER, JOHN (1445–1504/9); of Romney. M.P. Romney 1472–5, 1478, 1487, 1495, 1504.

Bailiff of Romney 1468;⁶ apptd. as keeper and bailiff of Romney, with full powers of governance, the liberties and franchises having been taken into the King’s hands, 12 Aug. 1471.⁷ Bailiff of Romney 1471–4, 1475–9, 1496–7;⁸ bailiff of Hythe 1481–2, 1484–7. Returned himself as bailiff to Parlt. in 1472, 1478. The costs of a breakfast given at Parlt. was refunded to him, 1473;⁹ 6s. 8d. was paid to him for his wage in Parlt. 1495/6.⁹

TUNSTALL (TONSTALL), JOHN (1400–70); of Middleham, Yorks. Salisbury’s servant. M.P. WESTMORLAND 1453–4. Yorkist.

Second s. of Sir Thomas Tunstall of Thurland Castle, Yorks., by Isabel da. of Sir Nicholas Harington; uncle to Sir Richard Tunstall, K.G., M.P. (1428–92).¹⁰

He was a Yorks. elector 1449 (1) esq.; and John Tunstall “ of Middleham ” was, in June 1450, a mainpernor for Richard Tunstall of Westmorland, his nephew.¹¹

¹ “ Ande in the morowe they dyspoylyd the placys and loughynges of many dyvers lordys . . . that ys to say, Syr Thomas Stodenham, thenne beyng Wardroper . . . ” (*Gregory’s Chronicle*—Camden Soc. 1876, p. 196).

² *Paston Letters*, i. 230.

³ *ibid.* i. 341.

⁴ *Inq. p.m.*, 5 Edw. IV, No. 34.

⁵ P.C.C., 12 Godyn.

⁶ Romney records, *ex inf.* Miss Roper.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 266.

⁸ *Hist. MS. Comm.* (Romney), v. 545.

⁹ *ibid.* v. 549.

¹⁰ *Ex inf.* H. Hornyold-Strickland.

¹¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1450), 335.

Being called "of Middleham", the Earl of Salisbury's castle, shows him at this time a servant of the Earl. He was on a Cumbrian comm. in 1458.¹ Sir Richard Tunstall, attainted in 1461, had forfeited the manor of Leck, Lancs., and in Nov. 1465 this manor was granted to John,² no doubt in a spirit not hostile to Sir Richard. John Tunstall was exempted as regarded this grant of Leck from the Act of Resumption in 1467.³

TUNSTALL, Sir RICHARD, K.G. (1427-92); of Bentham, Yorks., and Thurland castle, Lancs. Sq. of the Body 1452-5; King's carver 1450-60; Chamberlain of Chester 1457-60; Chamberlain of the Exchequer 1459-61; Steward of Kendal 1460, 1486-92. M.P. YORKSHIRE (? perhaps 1459), 1491-2. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir Thomas Tunstall of the same by Eleanor (*d.* 1457, when Sir Richard was aged 30) da. of Henry, lord FitzHugh of Ravensworth, widow in 1418 of Philip, lord Darcy of Knayth; she *rem.* Sir Henry Bromflete, lord Vessy (*d.* 1469). *M.* Elizabeth da. of William Frank and had four sons who predeceased him, *s.p.*

In 1450 he took on the farm of Crossthwaite, which was formerly the duke of Bedford's, for £25 a year; squire of the body, 6 Sept. 1452, with 50 marks a year wage, exempted from resumption 1455. He and Wentworth (*q.v.*) were granted £100 "reward", 21 Nov. 1452,⁴ and the office of the exchange in Calais and London, 1453; kntd. 1454/5 and made King's carver; pardoned by the Yorkists, 1 Nov. 1455;⁵ chamberlain of Chester, 21 Feb. 1457. Wardship and reversions came to him and in 1459, during the Coventry Parlt., he was made Chamberlain of the receipt of the Exchequer, 19 Dec. 1459, steward of Salisbury's lands in Heref. with 100 marks a year; on 15 Jan. 1460 he got Salisbury's post as steward of Kendal, and on 17 June 1460 as King's Chamberlain he had the custody of Mortimer's forfeited lands. This was the last—for 25 years; but he was apparently still King's Chamberlain and Chamberlain of the Exchequer at the time of the 1460-1 Parlt., even after the battle of Northampton.

He fought at Wakefield, probably at Barnet, certainly at Towton. With Queen Margaret, Hampden and Whittingham, he escaped to Scotland and was attainted, 23 Sept. 1461.⁶ In June 1461 Hampden, Whittingham and Tunstall led an army of Scots across the border and besieged Carlisle, but they were defeated and driven out by John Nevil, lord Montagu.⁷ He was reported to have been captured at Carlisle in June 1462 and beheaded;⁸ but in fact he surrendered Naworth Castle on such terms⁹ that in Oct. he was able to seize Bamborough "by treachery". In Nov. he and Wentworth were holding Dunstanborough against his cousin lord FitzHugh and lord Scrope. When Dunstanborough surrendered, 27 Dec. 1462, the duke of Somerset and Sir Nicholas Latimer were taken to Edward IV at Durham, swore fealty and were pardoned,¹⁰ but Tunstall got away and rejoined his King. John Conyers had the keeping of his lands and wife, but Sir Richard followed Henry VI in his three years' wanderings 1463-5. He was with Henry at

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1458), 435. ² *ibid.* (1465), 442. ³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 605.

⁴ Issue Roll, Mich. 31 Hen. VI, No. 791.

⁵ As "of Tonstall, Yorks., late of Thurland, Lancs. kntd." (m.20).

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* v. 477-8.

⁷ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 180.

⁸ *Paston Letters*, ii. 111.

⁹ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 249.

¹⁰ *ibid.* i. 264-5.

Sir Richard Temple's in Yorkshire in July 1465, when he was betrayed to the Harrington's. Tunstall tried to defend him and gained him time to escape to the woods alone, where he was taken at last. But Tunstall got across country to Harlech, the last Lancastrian castle. From thence he took Holt castle in 1466 and even raided as far as Shrewsbury.¹ But on 14 Aug. 1468 he surrendered at Harlech, and was pardoned his life, Oct. 1468.²

No sooner, however, was Henry restored than Sir Richard was made Master of the Mint in place of Hastings, Oct. 1470.³ He probably took up office and sat in the 1470-1 Parlt. for he was specially pardoned, 4 July 1471, by privy seal, as was at the same time Thomas Smith, M.P. in that Parlt. for Dover.⁴ Indeed this licensed rebel persuaded King and Parliament to reverse his attainder in 1472.⁵ By indenture between the King and Richard Tunstall knt. dated 20 Aug. 1474, Tunstall was retained for war in France for one year with 10 spears and 100 archers, taking for himself 2s. a day, for each spear 12d. a day, for each archer 6d.—the King to provide shipping and to have one-third of the booty, all prisoners taken are to be notified to the Constable or Marshall, and during the year no legal proceedings are to be taken against any of the retinue;⁶ in fact licensed rebel had become licensed freebooter. He served in the expedition to France the following year, being paid £298 for one quarter year, and he was on the King's council in France.⁷ Still "of the Council" he was sent in June 1477 to negotiate with the French ambassadors, and in Nov. 1477 with Louis XI. He was back in England by Apr. 1478,⁸ but sent across again in Aug. to negotiate the marriage of the Princess Elizabeth with the Dauphin.

He adhered to Richard III and was again sent in July 1483 to negotiate with the French. On his return he was made K.G.; but it is possible that he got into touch with Henry of Richmond, for he prospered even more rapidly under Henry VII. In June 1486, for laudable service, he was granted a pension of £100 a year out of the Hull customs.⁹ The stewardship of Kendal was renewed to him and the stewardship of Pontefract added thereto; P.C. with (? the same) £100 a year wage, 1487;¹⁰ he and Thomas Grafton, mercht. of the staple, are to share 7d. on every cart coming into Calais, Feb. 1488.¹¹ Sent to France to negotiate with Charles VIII, Mar. 1488.¹² In 1489 Tunstall and Sir Henry Wentworth were acting as Surrey's lieuts. in the north. J.P. West Riding, 1489 till death. He was returned for Yorkshire in Sept. 1491 and while M.P. was made sheriff of Yorks. 1491 till death. Wentworth was apptd. in his place, 1 May 1492.

D. Mar./Apr. 1492, and the heir of his settled estates was his bro. Thomas's son, Thomas Tunstall;¹³ his da. Eleanor m. John Askew and had issue. He had settled his estate in 1490, and Elizabeth his widow was assigned her dower in May 1492.

Apart from his courageous loyalty to Henry VI, and his remarkable luck, one cannot doubt that the man had the gift of popularity, and not only with Kings.

¹ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 423; *Foedera*, V. ii. 149. *

² *ibid.* i. 458.

³ Writs of Privy Seal, f. 781. No. 11110; Close Rolls, 49 Hen. VI. m.3-4d.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 271.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 47.

⁶ *Foedera*, V. iii. 45-6.

⁷ *ibid.* 57.

⁸ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 231.

⁹ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 464.

¹⁰ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1487), 211.

¹¹ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 242.

¹² *Foedera*, V. iii. 189.

¹³ *Deputy Keepers Reports*, xxxix. App. p. 561.

Many men must have spared and helped him ; and no mere bravo would have been so often an ambassador.

TUNSTALL, WILLIAM (1430-1501) ; of Northstead by Scarborough. Squire of the Body 1484-1500 ; constable of Scarboro' 1486-1500. M.P. Scarborough 1491-2.

Yr. s. of Sir Thomas Tunstall of Thurland castle, Lancs., by Eleanor (FitzHugh) ;¹ m. Agnes da. of Thomas Sage M.P.

Though his bro. was an attainted rebel "on the run", William had a £20 pension from Edward IV² which was exempted from resumption 1464. He was suing his step-father Lord Vesci for his share of 1,000 marks in 1466.³ He was presumably with Ratcliffe at Pontefract in June 1483, for he was named as overseer in Earl Rivers' will drawn up just before his beheading.³ That same year he was a surety for Brackenbury, constable of the Tower. No doubt he was already squire of the body, and as such, he was granted land in Sherbourne, Yorks., Feb. 1484. He survived Bosworth, and, helped no doubt by his brother's great loyalty to Lancaster, got Northstead by Scarboro' at a rent £20 a year for 20 years, 24 Nov. 1485. Apptd. Squire of the Body to Henry VII also, and constable of Scarboro' 30 Apr. 1486 ; an exor. of the will of Laurence Booth, archbp. of York, 1491 ;⁴ was granted a 20 mark pension at the Exchq. 1493 ; on a Scarboro' comm. 1493. In 1497 he and his wife were exors. of the will of her father Thomas Sage of Scarboro'.

D. 1500/1. Will, dat. 1500,⁵ and the fresh grant of the constableness of Scarboro' was made, 10 Mar. 1501.

TURBERVILLE, Sir JOHN (1450-1502) ; of Friar Mayne near West Knighton, Dorset. Const. of Corfe and Marshall of Household 1485-1502 ; Treasurer of Calais 1490-1502 ; P.C. M.P. (? WILTSHIRE 1487) ; DORSET 1491-2, 1495.

S. and h. of John Turberville of same ; nephew of John Newburgh.⁶

It is probably this John who was a bro. of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem in England, 1474,⁷ and there is no trace of wife or issue. Eschr., Som. and Dorset, 1476-7. The treasons committed by William Collingbourne of Lydiard, Wilts., and John Turberville of Friarmain were to be enquired into, 29 Nov. 1484.⁸ Collingbourne's treason we know ; but, if Turberville had a hand in reciting that deadly quatrain concerning rats and cats and dogs, he escaped and came back to Bosworth where he was kntd. 25 Aug. 1485. They made him coroner and marshall of the Household, 26 Sept. 1485 ;⁹ constable of Corfe castle and ranger of Purbeck, exempted from resumption, 1485 ;¹⁰ sheriff, Som. and Dorset, 1486-7 ; of Wilts. 1487-8 ; on gaol deliveries in Guildford 1486, 1493 ; on Dorset musters 1488,

¹ William a yr. son of Sir Thomas Tunstall and Eleanor, some time his wife and later of Henry Brounflete, knt., sued Sir Henry Brounflete, lord Vesey, re an alleged agreement upon the marriage of Eleanor and Sir Henry to settle 1,000 marks to the behoof of Eleanor's younger (Tunstall) children (*Early Chan. Proc.* 29/304).

² *Rot. Parl.* v. 535.

³ *Excerpta Hist.* 248 ; *Test. Vetust.* 381.

⁴ *Test. Ebor.* iv. 69.

⁵ To be bur. in St. Mary's, Scarboro'. To wife Agnes a silver basin and ewer. Cuthbert Hagarston and Robert Goldesburgh, residuary legatees and exors. Supervisor, Piers Percy the elder (*Test. Ebor.* IV. 69rf).

⁶ *Test. Vetust.* 377.

⁷ *Foedera*, V. iii. 46.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 520.

⁹ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 64.

¹⁰ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 367.

subsidy, Jan. 1488; gaol delivery, Dorchester, 1491; comnr. of o. & t. Surrey, 1493. Bodrugan's forfeited lands in Cornwall and John Malory's forfeited lands in N'hants. were granted to him, 25 Aug. 1487.¹ He was a subsidy comnr., Jan. 1488, and on the expedition to Brittany, 1488; had returned by 10 Feb. 1489;² pardoned, 4 Nov. 1489, with all his titles and offices and "*alias* of Southwark" added. Then he must have gone back to France for he was Treasurer of Calais before 8 Oct. 1490, and he accounts for Calais down to 1502.³ But he was mainly in England—at Parliament and at Court—at the reception to the French Ambassador 1492, at York's creation 1494, at the Archduke's reception 1500. As Treasurer of Calais he was treating with the Hanse, 28 Apr. 1495;⁴ one of the "caitiffs and villains of simple birth" denounced by Warbeck, June 1497.⁵ He was of the King's council when the men of Purbeck petitioned to him against the oppressions of Harry Uvedale (*q.v.*), c. 1498;⁶ and as one of the Council he tried and sentenced Warbeck.⁷ He treated with the emissaries of Archduke Philip, 1499;⁸ with Louis XII for the payment of a subsidy to the King of England;⁹ with the gentry of two counties he met Katherine of Aragon at Sherborne, Oct. 1501.¹⁰

D. shortly before 3 Sept. 1502 when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the escheators of Dorset, Som., Cornwall, N'hants. and Kent.¹¹ He was succeeded at Calais by Richard Knight, who was an exor. of his will, and as Marshal of the Household by Sir John Carew.

TURBERVILLE, ROBERT (1465-1529/30); of St. Albans. Lawyer. M.P. HERTFORDSHIRE 1495.

Parentage unknown—perhaps brother of Sir John; *m.* Jane an heiress from Dorset. He seems to have been connected with Cardinal Morton, a Dorset man, with whom he was co-feoffee in that county c. 1490.¹²

J.P. Herts., 14 July 1489 to 21 Dec. 1490, 20 May 1493 to 11 July 1506; on Herts. comn. 1492; gaol delivery at St. Albans 1503 to 1514 (15 times); J.P. Essex, 5 July 1498 to 18 Oct. 1514; a feoffee of Raglan castle, nominated by the crown, 1509; J.P. Herts. again, 18 Oct. 1514 to 4 Dec. 1528; eschr., Essex and Herts., 1513-4.¹³ In 1521 he was receiver general of Buckingham's estates;¹⁴ subsidy comnr. for Herts. 1523, and for Essex 1524; a feoffee in King's Langley, Herts., 1525;¹⁵ a lessee of Parkbury by St. Albans, 1528.¹⁶

D. 1529/30; will, dat. 28 Sept. 1529, pr. 12 July 1530.¹⁷

TURGES (TOURGES), RICHARD (1433-1504); of Melcombe-Bingham, Dorset. M.P. Weymouth 1478.

¹ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 186-7.

² *Paston Letters*, iii. 350.

³ *Exchq. Accts.* Hen. VII, 200/19, 201/33.

⁴ *Foedera*, V. iv. 112.

⁵ Pollard, *Doc. Illustr.* i. 153.

⁶ *ibid.* ii. 145.

⁷ *ibid.* i. 210.

⁸ *Foedera*, V. iv. 136.

⁹ *ibid.* V. iv. 144.

¹⁰ Gairdner, *L. & P.* i. 407.

¹¹ *Fine Roll*, 18 Hen. VII.

¹² *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. p. 247.

¹³ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, I. ii. p. 1101.

¹⁴ *ibid.* iii. p. 498.

¹⁵ *Herts. Geneal. & Antiq.* i. 85.

¹⁶ *V.C.H. Herts.* ii. 425.

¹⁷ To be bur. in St. Stephens next St. Albans. Thomas Taverner, chaplain, to have stipend £20 to pray for his soul. W. Jane to have half household goods and a convenient chamber in Parkbury. Lands in Aderstone and Winterbourne-Fyveash, Dorset, to go to his w. Implements in the brew-house in Colney st. to his nephew Thomas Brunyng the elder, and he exor., with Thomas Peryent esq. and Richard Lokkey of St. Albans, dyer (P.C.C., 25 Jankyn).

S. and h. of Robert Turges of the same M.P. (1405-61), and had Robert (b. 1470), J.P. Dorset 1505.

Pardoned, as "of Brounyngesmelcombe, Dorset, esq.", 20 June 1462; succeeded his father, being aged 28, in 1461; elector, Dorset, 1467, 1472; a feoffee of land at Shepton Malet for Thomas Martin, 1479;¹ with John Cheverell and William Martin he had the keeping of the lands and person of John Hussey of Shapwick, Dorset, an idiot, Dec. 1480.

D. 19 Apr. 1504, seised of Wimbourne, Mapowder, and "Turges-Melcombe", Dorset, held in part of James Frampton and in part of William Carent (*q.v.*); Robert Turges, aged 34, was his s. and h.²

TURGES, ROBERT (1403-61); of Melcombe-Bingham.³ M.P. Shaftesbury 1427; DORSET 1435, 1445-6.

With his w. he conveys lands in Melcombe-Horsey by fine, 1430/1; on Dorset comns. of array and of pressing 1436; collr. of customs at Poole, 1439; elector, Dorset, 1425, 1431, 1432, 1447, 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1450; pardoned, 20 June 1452, as of "brounynges melcombe", esq.

D. 20 Sept. 1461, when Richard (*q.v.*), aged 28, was his s. and h.⁴

TURNER, RALPH. M.P. Wootton Bassett 1491-2.

If his name was Ralph he does not occur elsewhere.

TUST (TOST), WILLIAM (1415-70); of Essex. M.P. Maldon 1459.

On 11 Dec. 1470 the writ *diem clausit* on William Tost was sent to the Eschr. of Essex.⁵

TWYNEHO (TWYNYO), BARTHOLOMEW. M.P. Melcombe 1447.

He was probably an uncle of William and John Twyncho (both M.P.s) and a yr. bro. of William Twyncho of Cayford, elected for Shaftesbury to this Parlt.; therefore a s. of William Twyncho, but no trace has been found of Bartholomew.

TWYNEHO, JOHN (1440-85); of Cirencester; recorder of Bristol; lawyer.

M.P. Bristol 1472-5; GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1478; Bristol 1484.

S. of John Twyncho of Cayford by Frome, and of Bristol, merchant;⁶ *m.* Eleanor, widow of Thomas Strangwish (*q.v.*, *d.* 1484), and da. and coh. of Sir Edmund Cheyne by Alice, heiress of Stafford of Hoke.⁷

On Glos. comns. from 1465 to 1482; called of Cirencester 1473; attorney genl. to P. of Wales in Corn., 1477; steward of the Honor of Gloucester in Bristol during minority of Clarence's heir, June 1478; J.P. Glos., 6 Nov. 1479 to Dec. 1483, and 12 Feb. 1484 till death; founded a chantry in Bristol to pray for souls of Thomas Roley and Margaret his wife, 1481; on all the Glos. comns. of 1483-4; pardoned Mar. 1484 (while M.P.), being then recorder of

¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. p. 48.

² *ibid.* ii. p. 542.

³ Turges-Melcombe, Melcombe-Horsey, Melcombe-Bingham are all known alternative names. Brownings-Melcombe is probably the same.

⁴ *Inq. p.m.* 1 Edw. IV, No. 59.

⁵ Fine Roll, 49 Hen. VI (m.23).

⁶ The father was pardoned, 12 June 1437, as of Cayford, Som., gent., *alias* of Frome, late farmer of subsidy and ulnage in Som., *alias* controlr. of customs in Bristol, *alias* late eschr. in Som. and Dorset., *alias* of Bristol, merchant (m.13).

⁷ Alice (Cheyne) sis. of William Stafford and aunt and h. of Humphrey Stafford, earl of Devon, in 1469 (*qq.v.*) (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1489, 268).

Bristol;¹ called of Cirencester, steward of lordship of Thornbury, Glos., Nov. 1484.

D. 30 Sept. 1485, when Dorothy Morton (14) was da. and heir; lands—Oxon. Will dat. 29 Sept. 1485. To be bur. at St. John's, Cirencester. Mentions w. Eleanor. To nephew Richard of Newbury, a lute; to niece, Lady Margery, nun of Shaftesbury, a lute; to John Awodde, 40s.; to John Buckland 40s. a year for life; residue to da. Dorothy, who was *m.* to Thomas Morton (*q.v.*), and to William Twyneho his nephew (*q.v.*). Exix. :—his da. Dorothy, then under age.² His widow Eleanor (Strangwish) was pardoned, 1489.

TWYNEHO, JOHN (1445-75); of Keyford by Frome, Som. M.P. Plympton 1472-5.

Eldest s. and h. of William Twyneho of same M.P. (1420-72) by Ankaret (Hawkeston). He was of the Household in 1463,³ and he probably got his seat at Plympton through that influence; in the same Parlt. his yr. bro. sat for Weymouth. Eschr., Som. and Dorset, 1470-1. Pardoned, 1472 as of "Cayford *alias* of Frome, late eschr. of Som. and Dorset".

D. shortly before 15 Oct. 1475 when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschrs. of Dorset and Salop.⁴ In 1477 his mother was seized by Clarence and beheaded. It was his s. and h. Roger who obtained the reversal of the sentence against Ankaret, in the 1478 Parlt.⁵

TWYNEHO (TWYNYO), WILLIAM (1420-72); of Keyford by Frome, Som. In Clarence's household, 1470-2. M.P. Shaftesbury 1447; Hindon 1450-1.

S. of William Twyneho of Keyford; *m.* Ankaret Hawkeston, and had John (1445-75) M.P., William (1445-97) M.P., Elizabeth who *m.* William Lovell, and Edith who *m.* Thomas de la Lynde. In 1477, Ankaret, widow of William Twyneho of Keyford, Somerset, was, by orders of the Duke of Clarence, carried off from Keyford and tried and executed at Warwick on a charge of poisoning the duchess Isabel. This judicial murder was the immediate cause of the duke's downfall. William Twyneho and Ankaret had both been of Clarence's household. If the next William Twyneho was their son, then he sat for Dorset in the Parlt. which tried and sentenced Clarence. In that Parlt. Roger Twyneho, g.s. and h. of William and Ankaret, obtained from Parlt. the reversal of the sentence passed on Ankaret.⁶

Elector, Wilts., 1449 (2), and of Somerset 1455; J.P. Som., 31 May 1454 to 16 Dec. 1459, probably Yorkist; an exor. of John, lord Stourton, 1462.

D. shortly before 5 Feb. 1472, when his writ *diem clausit* was sent to the eschr. of Som.⁷

TWYNEHO, WILLIAM (1445-97); of Moore Critchell, Dorset. M.P. Weymouth 1472-5; Dorset 1478; (? 1483 Jan.); (? 1485-6); Shaftesbury 1491-2.

Second s. of William Twyneho of Keyford by Frome M.P. (1420-72), by Ankaret (Hawkeston); *m.* (1) Catherine, da. and h. of Solers of Shipton-Solers, Glos., and had issue Walter Twyneho; (2) Margaret who survived him.⁸ His elder bro. John was M.P. for Plympton, 1472-5.

¹ Pardon Roll, 1484, as of Cirencester, esq. *alias* gent., *alias* late J.P., *alias* late of Bristol, *alias* exor. of Margaret Rowley late exor. of Thomas Rowley late of Bristol, mercht., *alias* Recorder of Bristol (m.10). ² P.C.C., 14 Logge. ³ Issue Roll, 1463.

⁴ Fine Roll, 15 Edw. IV (m.21).

⁵ Rot. Parl. vi. 173.

⁶ *ibid.*

⁷ Fine Roll, 11 Edw. IV (m.22).

⁸ Visitn. Glos. 263.

J.P. Dorset, 11 Feb. 1472 to 1475, 26 June to 5 Dec. 1483, and 15 Nov. 1485 till death; as "late of Shipton-Solers esq.", he had custody of lands and heir of Richard Gorges, Apr. 1481; on subsidy comn. in Dorset, 1 Aug. 1483; on the arrays of 1484; pardoned 1484.¹ Henry VII made him "King's servant" and steward of Mere park, Wilts.—exempted 1485;² pardoned again 1486;³ subsidy comnr., 1488; gaol delivery at Ilchester and Dorchester, 1487-94; a feoffee in Dorset, Dec. 1495.

D. 17 Jan. 1497, when Walter, aged 30, was his s. and h.; lands in Som. and Dorset.⁴ Will, dat. 27 Jan., pr. 24 Nov. 1497.⁵ To be bur. at Moore-Critchell. To wife Margaret lands in Shaftesbury and in Frome, Som., and to her the residue, and she sole exix.

TYGO, JOHN⁶ (1441-98); of Lynn, tailor and shipowner. M.P. Lynn 1487, 1491-2.

Admitted freeman of Lynn 1458/9. In 1480/3 a merchant of Danzig sued Thomas Wright and John Tygo owners of the *Christopher* of Lynn for the balance of money borrowed by Thomas Selman, purser of the ship.⁷ Mayor of Lynn 1488.

D. shortly before 27 June 1498, when his writ of *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Norfolk.⁸ Will, dat. 18 May, pr. 25 June 1498. To be bur. in chapel of St. Jonne next to Jane his late wife. Bequest to the high altar of the ch. of St. Margaret aforesaid. Masses for souls of parents and of wife Jane. £60 to be divided between children of Rushbroke when of age. Bequests to wife Bate; residue to his exors. :—"Bate" and William Amfles (P.C.C., 23 Horne).

TYLER, JOHN (1450-1513); of Wells, clothmaker. M.P. Wells 1487, 1497.

Admitted to freedom 1470;⁹ joined in the founding of a chantry at Tetbury, Glos., 1480; pledge for a freeman of Wells, 1497.¹⁰ He was called "Master of the Citie of Wells" in the will of John Atwater of Wells (q.v.), 1500.

D. 1513. Will, dat. 20 Mar., pr. 31 May 1513. To be bur. in St. Cuthberts, Wells. Bequests to his weavers and towkers—4*d.* each. Residue to the revd. father in God, Thomas Tynent, Chancellor of Wells. Exors. :—my lord Tynente, John Welleshotte, mercer and burgess, John Podyng and William Frampton, burgess.¹¹

TYLER, Sir WILLIAM (1450-1504); Clerk of the King's Works 1485-1503; Keeper of the King's Jewels 1486-7; Const. of Bamborough 1486-98; Captain of Berwick 1486-98; Knight of the Body 1486-1504. M.P. NORTHUMBERLAND 1491-2; (? somewhere 1504).

Parentage and marriage unknown, but one of the "caitiffs and villains of simple birth" denounced by Perkin Warbeck, 1497.¹²

¹ Pardon Roll, Mar. 1484, as late of Shipton-Solers, Glos., esq., *alias* of Kayford, Som., *alias* late of Shaftesbury, *alias* exor. of Ankaret exix. of Wm. Twynheho one of the exors. of John, lord Stourton (m.10).

² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 381.

³ Pardon Roll, 12 Nov. 1486, as of Cayford, *alias* of Shaftesbury, *alias* of Shipton-Solers, *alias* late of London (m.19).

⁴ P.C.C., 15 Horne; *Somerset Wills*.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 32/356.

⁶ *Som. Rec. Soc.* xlvi. 154.

⁷ P.C.C., 15 Fetiplace.

⁸ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. Nos. 47, 48.

⁹ *Robert Tygo* was a London elector 1478.

¹⁰ *Fine Roll*, 13 Hen. VII (m.3).

¹¹ *ibid.* 162.

¹² Pollard, *Doc. Illust.*, i. 153.

He was a clerk of the market of the Household, 1471; of "Snayeston" with Agnes his wife, 1473;¹ porter of Sudeley castle, Glos., 1478; kntd. at the landing, 7 Aug. 1485;² J.P. Warw., 27 Sept. 1485 to 6 Nov. 1490; J.P. Glos., 4 Oct. 1485 to 1 June 1489; apptd. clerk of the King's works 1485, with 1s. a day and a clerk at 6d. a day;³ exempted from resumption 1485 and 1487⁴; already kntd. of the body when made constable of Bamburgh and regranted Sudeley, 1486;⁵ joined with Sir Reynold Bray (*q.v.*) in the keeping of Oldbury, Glos., 8 Mar. 1486;⁶ apptd. keeper of the King's jewels with £50 a year, 29 June 1486.⁷ He was spending large sums on the repair of Berwick, Feb. 1487,⁸ and was a party to the treaty of Coldstream between England and Scotland, 5 Oct. 1488.⁹ He was made receiver of Dunstanburgh castle with wages, 12 Feb. 1489;¹⁰ captain of Berwick with £20 a year, 1489;¹¹ J.P. Nhd., 10 June 1489 till death; still captain of Berwick when made deputy warden of the Scottish march, 22 May 1495;¹² treating with Scotland for the marriage of Princess Margaret, 3 June 1495.¹³ Sir Thomas Darcy took his place as constable of Bamburgh, 8 June 1498, and he probably ceased then to be captain of Berwick also, for he was in England attending on the King's person by 11 Sept. 1500, when he buried Sir Gilbert Debenham (*q.v.*) and repaired Henry VII's new church at Richmond, 16 Sept. 1503.¹⁴

D. between 16 Sept. 1503 and 25 Nov. 1504.

TYLER, WILLIAM (1455-1510); ald. of Bath. M.P. Wells 1491-2.

He was mayor of Bath in 1488; an alderman there 1492, 1497;¹⁵ subsidy comnr., apptd. in Parliament for Bath, 1496, 1504.

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TYRELL, Sir JAMES (1445-1502); of Gipping, Suffolk. Knt. of the Body 1483-1501; Chambn. of the Exchequer 1484-5; Capt. of Guisnes 1484-1501.

M.P. CORNWALL 1478; (? somewhere 1483 (Jan.), 1483 (June)); (? CORNWALL 1484).

S. and h. of William Tyrell the elder of Gipping (*q.v.*) by Margaret (Darcy); *m.* Anne da. and h. of Sir John Arundel of Trerice, Cornwall (wherefore he sat for Cornwall); issue Thomas.

Elector, Suffolk, 1467; kntd. at Tewkesbury, 3 May 1471; conveyed the Countess of Warwick to the north, 1473; on Suffolk comns., 1475, 1476; M.P. Cornwall 1478 and received a pension of £20 a year out of Ross in Holderness, 10 Mar. 1478¹⁶ (his yr. bro. being M.P. for Essex and sq. of the body); made a banneret by Richard of Gloucester in Scotland, 24 July 1482. When Richard of Gloucester surrendered the Constablership, 14 Nov. 1482, the comnrs. who took his place were Sir William Parr, Sir James Harrington, Sir James Tyrell and four

¹ *Ex inf.* C. H. Hunter-Blair. ² Shaw, *Knights*, ii. 22. ³ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 392.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 341, 404. ⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1486), 259, 483. ⁶ Campbell, *op. cit.* i. 368.

⁷ *ibid.* i. 405. ⁸ *ibid.* ii. 104. ⁹ *ibid.* ii. 358. ¹⁰ *ibid.* ii. 407.

¹¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1489), 295. ¹² *Foedera*, V. iv. 79. ¹³ *ibid.* V. iv. 80.

¹⁴ *Excerpta Hist.* 124, 128. ¹⁵ *Bath Corp. Deeds*, pp. 69, 106, 108, 125.

¹⁶ Ross, Yorks., belonged to the Duke of Buckingham, still a minor (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1478), 88).

Masters of Laws.¹ J.P. Cornwall, 27 May 1483 till 1485. After the murder of Hastings, Thomas Rotherham, archbp. of York, was committed to Sir James' keeping.² Richard III made him Master of the Henchmen, then Master of the Horse, and he murdered the Princes in the Tower, 1483.³

Comnr. of subsidy, Cornwall, Apr. and Aug. 1483; supported the King against Buckingham, Oct.; made knt. of the body and comnr. of array in Wales and of the duke of Buckingham's estates, 5 Nov. 1483; sheriff, Cornwall, 1483-4. He must have sat in the 1484 Parl. which awarded to his wife the Cornish lands of Sir Thomas Arundel "a traitor";⁴ he got Sir John Fogge's (*q.v.*) lands in April; he got the stewardship of the Cornish lands of the duchy of Cornwall, 9 Aug. 1484; in Sept. he was made sheriff of Wenlock and Chamberlain of the Exchequer. During 1485 he was sent to Flanders, placed in command in So. Wales, and then sent to France as Lieut. or Capt. of Guisnes; and at Guisnes he remained while the issue was fought out at Bosworth.

He was received into favour by Henry VII, lost the Exchequer but remained knt. of the body and commanding at Guisnes; apptd. sheriff of Glamorgan and constable of Cardiff with £100 a year for life, 19 Feb. 1486; pardoned, 16 June and 16 July 1486; sent from Guisnes on embassy to Maximilian, 15 Dec. 1486.⁵ He was granted the stewardship of Ogmores, 30 Aug. 1487, which was exempted from resumption by the 1487 Parliament.⁶ He was still however in Calais, Feb. 1488, and knt. of the body; and he served at the battle of Dixmude, 1489. As Capt. of Guisnes he was sent on embassy to France, helping at the peace of Etaples, June 1492;⁷ at Court for the reception of the French ambassador, 1492; at York's creation, 1494; a feoffee for the King's will, 1495;⁸ J.P. Suffolk, 20 Nov. 1496 till death.

On 19 Oct. 1499 King Louis XI ordered the seneschal of Boulogne to help Tyrell recover a debt,⁹ and this may have been in connection with the help Tyrell is supposed to have given to the Earl of Suffolk to escape from England in 1499. But Henry had no longer need of a willing living witness to the deaths of the Princes—Simnel and Warbeck and Warwick were disposed of. Tyrell seems to have been present at the reception to Catherine of Aragon, but by July 1501, he had been tricked into surrendering Guisnes to the King's enemy, the Earl of Suffolk. For this final treason he was arrested, brought to England, and beheaded on Tower Hill, 6 May 1502. Attainted by the 1504 Parliament, his son Thomas was restored in blood and the attainder reversed by the same Parliament.¹⁰

The rewards conferred upon him by Richard III do not seem excessive. Ratcliff and Catesby (*q.v.*) certainly fared better. It is the care taken of him by Henry VII which is remarkable; and, though he was sequestered at Guisnes, his frequent presence at Court where his murder of the Princes must have been known, argues a general laxity of tone on the subject of murder—unless indeed he had an abnormally thick skin.

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1482), 317.

² *Polydore Virgil*, 182.

³ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir James Tyrrell.

⁴ Lands which Anne had claimed, but which had passed to Sir Thomas Arundel, a traitor (*Rot. Parl.* vi. 255).

⁵ *Foedera*, V. iii. 182.

⁶ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 188; *Rot. Parl.* vi. 407.

⁷ *Foedera*, V. iv. 45.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 510.

⁹ *Foedera*, V. iv. 144.

¹⁰ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 526, 545.

TYRELL, Sir THOMAS (1411-76); of Heron in East Thorndon. Soldier.

M.P. ESSEX 1442, 1447, 1449 (1), 1459, (? 1470-1). Lancastrian.

Born 1411/2. Eldest s. and h. of Sir John Tyrell of the same (Speaker, *d.* 1437); by Alice da. and coh. of Sir William Coggeshall of Coggeshall, Essex.¹ *M.* (1) Emma da. of Sir John Marney of Laver-Marney and (2) Anne da. of William Marney of the same.

An elector in Essex 1427, 1432, 1435. He served under Bedford in France, 1432-7—"a valiant gentleman",² he must have returned to England soon after 1434 (probably at his father's death, when he was aged 25), for he was sheriff of Essex and Herts. 1440-1, 1444-5; and in 1442 he renders account of the revenues from Havering, Essex;³ J.P. Essex, 3 Jan. 1443 till death; pardoned 1446;⁴ kntd. 1447/8; on every kind of comn. under every kind of regime from 1446-76.

In Jan. 1449, while M.P., he was retained by indenture for war service overseas, yet he headed the list of electors in Essex, 28 Oct. 1449. He returned to France and Polydore Virgil gives us a less happy glimpse of him in June 1450—Thomas Tyrell, having received new supply of soldiers out of England, besieged Lisieux, "whereof he was master within a while",⁵ and, garrisoning it, went towards Caen to join Matthew Gough, but met the French and they were put to flight, and Caen surrendered 1 July 1450. So Polydore Virgil; but according to the Issue Rolls (No. 779) he was sent from London to Rochester to arrest Jack Cade in *June* 1450, and he accounts to the Exchequer for the goods taken by Jack Cade and his followers. He heads the list of electors in Essex, 27 Oct. 1450, and was apptd., with Sir William Lucy, Sir James Strangways and Richard Waller, as treasurers and receivers of the subsidy which had been granted at the last Parlt. at Leicester (1449-50). By 1452 Tyrell was a knt. of the Household and had a grant of the patronage of the church of East Thorndon, Essex. In 1453, he had lent the King £10, and was on the Privy Council; in Oct. he was sent by the Council with an explanatory message to the Duke of York and to carry to him the summons to the great council, which the Duke of York complained of not having received.⁶ Tyrell was one of the four knights summoned to the great council, May 1454; arbitrator in a dispute concerning the "scavage" of the merchants of Genoa in London, Oct. 1454;⁷ took out a pardon, 6 Jan. 1458;⁸ again made sheriff, Nov. 1459, and,

¹ A Patent Roll of 29 July 1459 recites that Alice, da. and coh. of Sir William Coggeshall, *m.* Sir John Tyrell and had issue Sir Thomas Tyrell, then aged 40 and more.

² "In 1432 companies of English soldiers, who rested about Rouen under the conduct of Thomas Tyrell, a valiant gent., hearing that Clermont was slenderly manned, assailed and took it at the first brunt . . . sacked it and returned from whence they came with great booty." In 1434, "Bedford sent Lord Willoughby and Thomas Tyrell with certain bands to help Burgundy, who met by chance a main host of enemies in the territory of Laonys and put them to flight and killed 160 and took some and went on and helped to free Burgundy from the French. Returning to Anjou they took Louviers" (*Polydore Virgil*).

³ *Exchq. Accts.*, 20 Hen. VI.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 18 June 1446, Thomas Tyrell of Essex, knt., s. and h. of John Tyrell, knt., *alias* late sheriff, *alias* J.P., and Anna, his wife, da. of William Marney, esq. (m.46). Elsewhere he is not described as knt. in 1446, and such description in this Pardon Roll may be premature, or due to his position in the County.

⁵ *Polydore Virgil's English History* (Camden Soc. 1844, p. 79).

⁶ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 163.

⁷ *Letter Book K.* p. 366.

⁸ Of East Thorndon, Essex, knt., late sheriff of Essex and Herts. *alias* late of London, *alias* treasurer and receiver of the subsidy granted in Parlt. 1449-50 (m.26).

under the peculiar circumstances of the time, was returned by the outgoing sheriff to the Coventry Parlt. He sat on all the Lancastrian comns. of the time, including the Essex comn. of array, 21 Dec. 1459. In June 1460, when the three Earls landed at Sandwich and passed on to London, Tyrell, with Hampden, Browne and Clifton took refuge in the Tower, where they were bombarded by Speaker Wenlock. While others were beheaded or murdered by the mob, Tyrell escaped, but nothing more is heard of him till Oct. 1470, when the Lancastrians were once again in power, and brought him again into authority. He was on the Oct. comn, and very possibly a Member of the 1470 Parlt—even perhaps Speaker. He had had no pardon for the affairs of 1460–1, but in May 1472 he was pardoned as of East Thorndon, *alias* s. and h. of John Tyrell, knt.

D. 28 Mar. 1476, when Thomas Tyrell esq., aged 23, was his heir, being s. of Sir William, s. of Sir Thomas. For some reason, whether his soldier's record or family connections, he was never attainted, and he died seised of lands in Essex, Hants and Cambs.¹

Will dat. 15 May 1475, pr. 11 Jan. 1477. To be bur. in East Thorndon. Exors. :—his w. dame Anne, Thos. Urswick, knt., John Tyrell of Beches, his own sons Humphrey and Robert Tyrell, Sir Wm. Howard, Thos. Hotoft. Supervisors : Earl of Essex, Sir Thos. Montgomery, Richard Haute and John Tyrell (P.C.C., 31 Wattys).

TYRELL, Sir THOMAS (1450–1510); of Heron in East Thorndon. Squire of the Body 1478–85; Master of the Horse 1483–5. M.P. ESSEX 1478 (? 1483 Jan., 1484), 1495.

Either yr. s. of William Tyrell of Gipping, Suff., the elder, M.P. (1420–62) by Margaret (Darcy), and yr. bro. of Sir James Tyrell M.P. (1445–1502); *or* s. and h. (*b.* 1453), of Sir William s. and h. appt. of Sir Thomas Tyrell of Heron (1411–76) M.P. M. 1472² Elizabeth eldest da. and coh. of Sir Henry Bruyn.

Elector, Essex, 1472; J.P. Essex, 12 Nov. 1478 till death; as Squire of the Body had a grant of £20 a year out of Northwell, Essex, 8 Dec. 1478; sheriff, Essex and Herts., 1480–1; on Essex comns. from 1478 to 1509, including all the subsidy and array comns. of 1483–4 and many gaol deliveries. He was one of those squires of the body who carried Edward IV's body to burial. Under Richard III he was advanced (? with his bro., Sir James, who murdered the Princes); made Master of the Horse, June 1483;³ pardoned 1484, described as "Squire of our Body *alias* late of London, gent.", which may show that he was M.P. in 1484, though the "gent." may indicate that it was *not* as knt. of the shire, or even that he was a lawyer. Kntd. at Stoke fight, 16 June 1487; at York's creation 1494; made banneret at the Bridge foot after the fight at Blackheath 1497;⁴ at the Archduke Philip's reception, 1500; at Catherine's reception, 1501; exempted from being made sheriff, Nov. 1505; at Henry VII's funeral, 1509. He was pardoned 12 Oct. 1509, as "of East Thorndon, Greys, and Samford magna,

¹ Inq. p.m. 16 Edward IV, No. 71; *Geneal. N.S.* xxiv. 269.

² Pardon Roll, 16 Feb. 1472, Thomas Tyrell esq. and Elizabeth his wife a da. and coh. of Henry Bruyn knt. decd., *alias* late of Beckenham, Kent, esq. The other coheirress was Alice, m. to John Berners (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1483, 358).

³ *Dict. Nat. Biog.* sub. "Sir James Tyrell," where the Master of the Horse is called his bro.

⁴ Shaw, *Knights*.

Essex, of Aven, Hants, and of Shepreth and Milreth, Cambs., *alias exor. of will of Sir Thomas Montgomery* " (q.v.).¹

D., to judge from his comns., 1510. If the Master of the Horse was really brother of Sir James, this M.P. is probably that problematic brother. But the exor. of Sir Thomas Montgomery's will is more *likely* to have been g.s. of the earlier Sir Thomas of Heron.

TYRELL, WILLIAM, the elder (1415-62); of Gipping. M.P. SUFFOLK 1447, 1459. Lancastrian.

Second s. of Sir John Tyrell of Heron, Essex, M.P., Speaker (d. 1437), by Alice da. and coh. of William Coggeshall of Coggeshall.

His eldest bro. was Sir Thomas Tyrell, M.P. for Essex, and his yr. bro. was Sir William Tyrell junior, likewise M.P. for Essex. William senior m. Margaret da. of Robert Darcy of Maldon, by whom he had Sir James Tyrell M.P., the murderer (1445-1502), and ? Sir Thomas M.P. (1445-1520) and others.

In May 1444 his feoffees had licence to enclose Banham, Norfolk, notwithstanding any grant of the King to William Tyrell esq., the elder, whose feoffees they are. As William Tyrell the elder, he was sheriff, Norf. and Suff., 1445-6; elector, Suffolk, 1449 (2), 1450, 1453; on comns. from 1451 to the Lancastrian ones of 1460; eschr., Norfolk and Suffolk, 1454-5; pardoned, 20 Apr. 1458, as late sheriff and late eschr. As William Tyrell of Gipping he was a feoffee in Suffolk, Nov. 1459.

He escaped attainder in 1461; but, on 12 Feb. 1462, the Earl of Oxford, Tuddenham, Montgomery and William Tyrell were arrested on supposed complicity in some plot, and the last three were beheaded on Tower Hill, 23 Feb. 1462.

TYRELL, (Sir) WILLIAM, the younger (1420-71); of Beeches in Rawreth, Essex. M.P. Weymouth 1449 (1); ESSEX 1449-50, 1450-1, 1455-6. Lancastrian.

Fifth s. of Sir John Tyrell of Heron in East Thorndon (d. 1437), Speaker and Treasurer of the Household, by Alice (Coggeshall), i.e. yr. bro. of Sir Thomas Tyrell, M.P. (1411-77), and of William Tyrell senior, M.P. (1415-62); m. (1) Anne da. and coh. of Sir Robert FitzSimonds; and (2) Philippe da. of John Thornbury.²

Elector, Essex, 1442 and 1449 (1) when returned for Weymouth; J.P. Essex, 3 Jan. 1443 and 1461; pardoned for being out with Cade, but on Essex comns. from Oct. 1450 to Feb. 1459; pardoned 1 Aug. 1452³ and Jan. 1458 as "of Beches in Rawreth, Essex, junior"; on the comn. of array for Essex, Dec. 1459, and J.P. Suffolk, 18 June 1459 till 1461; eschr., Essex and Herts., 1459-60. Tyrell was kntd. by Henry VI on the morning of the battle of Northampton, 10 July 1460; removed from both benches, but pardoned Feb. 1462.⁴

From 1460 onwards he may be confused with his nephew William, son of Sir Thomas Tyrell (1411-77), also a knt., but of Warley, Essex. This other Sir William is henceforth called "junior", which had previously been distinctive

¹ L. & P. Hen. VIII, i. 12.

² Visitn. Essex, III.

³ As "of Beche, *alias* of Hingewodesham, Essex, *alias* late of London." (m.16).

⁴ Pardon Roll (1462), where he has the added description of late eschr. of Essex and Herts. (m.37).

of William Tyrell of Beche. The Knight of Beche occurs as a feoffee in Essex and Kent down to 1470, and was on the Readeption comn. of Oct. 1470 for Essex, and once more on the Essex bench 1 Dec. 1470, but died soon after.

His will, written with his own hand, was dat. 16 Mar. 49 Hen. VI (1471), date of proof not given.¹

TYRWHYT, Sir WILLIAM (1450-1522); of Kettleby in Bigby. Squire and Knight of the Body 1484-1522. M.P. LINCOLNSHIRE 1491-2.

S. and h. of Sir Robert Tyrwhit of same (*d.* 1458), by Jane da. of Sir Richard Waterton; *m.* Anne da. of Sir Robert Constable of Flamborough,² Yorks. M.P. (1423-88), and had Sir Robert, *b.* 1475.

Servant to Edward IV by 1479 when he got a 20 marks pension out of Boston; sheriff, Lincs., 1481-2; J.P. Lindsey, May-June 1483; servant to Richard III when made keeper of Swallowfield, Berks., 1 Mar. 1484,³ and squire of the body when made steward of Caistor, Lincs., with £10 a year, 3 Dec. 1484. It took him some little time to recover from the next revolution, but he was knntd. at Stoke fight, 16 June 1487; made bailiff of Calais 1491; J.P. Lindsay, 1491 till made sheriff 1494-5; at the reception to Lord Querdes, 1492; knnt. of the body by 1493; a banneret at Blackheath fight, 17 June 1497;⁴ sheriff again 1500-1, and at Katherine of Aragon's reception, Jan. 1501; subsidy comnr. for Lincs., apptd. by Parlt., 1504;⁵ at Henry VII's funeral; pardoned 1509, as of Kettleby, and continued as knnt. of the body with £40 a year, 27 July 1509;⁶ made steward of Barton on Humber, 20 Aug., and confirmed as steward or bailiff of Caistor, 24 Aug. 1509;⁷ had a grant of Appleby, Lincs., 10 Sept. 1509;⁸ comnr. of sewers, Lincs., 1509 till death. He served the King in France 1512;⁹ had a further batch of grants, 1515; again sheriff 1517-8;¹⁰ was present at the Field of the Cloth of Gold, 1520.

D. 10 Apr. 1522, when Sir Robert, aged 46, was his s. and h.; lands—Lincs., Yorks., Essex and N'hants.; bur. in Lincoln cathedral. Henry Norris succeeded him as steward of Barton on Humber.¹⁰

UFFENHAM (*alias* LAURENCE),¹¹ JOHN (1420-88); of Heytesbury, gent.; lawyer and coroner. M.P. Wilton 1442, (? 1445-6), 1447, 1449 (1) (called Laurence), 1449-50, 1450-1; Devizes 1472-5.

Perhaps s. of John Uffenham, M.P. for Old Sarum in 1433.

Elector, Wilts., 1447; a coroner in Wilts. from 1449 to 1475;¹² and called of Heytesbury, gent., in 1451 when a mainpernor for Sir Edmund Hungerford and George Houton (*q.v.*);¹³ pardoned, Nov. 1452, as of Heytesbury, gent., alias John

¹ Bequests to his s. John; to his da. Elizabeth for her marriage; to das. Jane and Anne; to his s. "Sir" Jasper. If the das. die unmarried, the money is to go to found a school at Rawreth. Masses for the souls of his wives Anne and Philippe, for John Tyrell knnt. his father, and for Alice and Catherine his father's wives, for his eldest bro. Sir Thomas Tyrell and Anne his w., and for the souls of John Thornborough and Anne. Philippe, his w., is to occupy the manor of (?) Northflete for her life (P.C.C., 32 Godyn).

² *Geneal. N.S.* xii. 235. ³ Palmer's Index to the Fine Rolls. ⁴ Shaw, *Knts.* ii. 24, 29.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* vi. ⁶ *L. & P. Hen. VIII.* i. 190 (13). ⁷ *ibid.* 190 (12), 190 (14).

⁸ *ibid.* 257 (90). ⁹ *ibid.* 1176. ¹⁰ *ibid.* iii. p. 1046.

¹¹ See pedigrees of Lawrence and Uffenham of Downton in Hoare's *Wilts.* (*Wilts. Arch. Mag.* ii. 368).

¹² Anc. Indicts. K.B. (*penes* A. T. Butler, Her. Coll.).

¹³ Fine Roll, 29 Hen. VI (m.15), 12 July 1451.

Laurence, *alias* John Ufnam, *alias* John Laurence of Heytesbury, gent. (m.9); manucaptor for the burgesses of Downton, 1450; elector of Wilts. (here called "Laurence"), 1453; one of Lord Hungerford's attorneys, 1453; a feoffee of Lyme near Laverstock, Wilts., 1463; attorney for Richard Page in a suit brought by Tropenell against Richard Page, 1464; attorney for John Legh of Salisbury, gent., in 1470.¹ While still M.P. in Aug. 1473, he was apptd. on a comn. to investigate the royal revenues in Wilts.

D. c. 1488; will, dat. 4 Sept. 1488—proof not given.² To be bur. with his w. Alice in St. Aldham's cemetery at Malmesbury. To s. Thomas £40; to da. Jane £40. Bro., Master Robert Laurence. Bequest to John s. of Robert. Exors.:—Robert Laurence and William Clerk. Supervisor:—John Orton.

UFFENHAM, ROGER (1450–1505); of Downton. M.P. Heytesbury 1472–5.

S. of John Uffenham; *m.* Jane da. and h. of Thomas Burton of Wilton by Jane h. of Winterbourne-Cherbourg, Wilts.—sons Richard and Robert.³

On 12 Aug. 1503 a John Uffenham died, leaving lands in Wilts. to Robert, Richard and John, sons of Roger Uffenham.⁴

D. 15 Apr. 1505, seised of Winterbourne-Cherboro', Wilts., when his s. (no name given) was aged 8. In June the custody of Richard s. and h. of Roger Uffenham was granted to Lord St. Amand, together with the keeping of the lands which Roger had held by Knight's service of the earldom of Salisbury.

ULVESTON, JOHN (1410–60); of Debenham, Suffolk. Receiver of Eton College 1444; Keeper of the Writs 1444; lawyer. M.P. Yarmouth 1447, 1449–50. Lancastrian.

S. of Thomas Ulveston, dead in 1422, by Isabel who *rem.* William Mekylfeld esq.; *m.* Elizabeth (*d.* 1495).⁵

Eschr., Norf. and Suff., 1442–4; J.P. Suff., of the quorum, 22 Oct. 1443 to 9 Oct. 1450; elector of Suffolk called "esq.", 1449 (2), 1453, 1459. On Suffolk comns. from 1443 to the Lancastrian comn. of array in Dec. 1459. In 1444 a grant in survivorship was made to the King's servants, John Ulveston, receiver of Eton college, and Thomas Rowe, of the office of keeper of the writs and rolls of the Common Bench. Mainpernor for Robert Constable in keeping of lands, late of Sir John Fastolf, 14 Nov. 1447;⁶ pardoned 20 Oct. 1455 as "of Benham, Suffolk, gent., *alias* esq." (m.20).

UMFRAY, JOHN (1420–75); from N'hants. Yeoman of the Crown, 1459.

M.P. Gatton 1459. Lancastrian.

Eschr., Glos. and the Welsh marches, 1456–7. As King's servant and yeoman of the crown he had a grant, dated at Coventry 21 Dec. 1459, of the office of keeper of Bardesley, Glos., in lieu of a grant thereof by the Duke of York to Thomas Bradway esq., surrendered. This was the reward of his presence at the Coventry Parliament. In May 1461 John Umfray was one of the Lancastrians whose lands

¹ *Year Book*, 49 *Hen. VI* (Selden Soc.), 138.

³ *Geneal. N.S.* xiii. 26.

⁵ Writ *diem clausit* to the eschr. of Suffolk *re* Elizabeth widow of John Ulveston (Fine Roll, 10 *Hen. VII* (m.3)).

² P.C.C., 16 Milles.

⁴ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. p. 460.

⁶ Fine Roll, 26 *Hen. VI* (m.14).

in N'hants. are to be seized. In Jan. 1477 he was dead for there was a feoffment in N'hants. by Robert Fenne (M.P.) and Eleanor his wife, late wife of John Umfray esq.¹

UMFREY see HUMFREY.

UNTON, (Sir) THOMAS (1465-1533); of Wadley in Faringdon, Berks. M.P. Barnstaple 1491-2.

S. and h. of Hugh Unton² by Anne da. and h. of William Fetiplace;³ m. (1) Elizabeth da. and h. of William Young of East Hannay, Berks., and (2) Elizabeth (d. 1536) sis. of William Hyde. Issue, Alexander and Thomas.

He inherited London-made wealth and acted as financier, lending money to the crown and to individuals on security. His recognisance to the King in 1509 may be a black-mailing fine.⁴ He was granted, and paid for, a custody of lands and heir, 1511; surety for Sir William Compton, 1514; exor. of Sir Thomas Compton's will, 1528, and steward of Compton's lands in Chipping-Norton.⁵ J.P. Berks. and Oxon., Feb. 1511 till death; J.P. Oxford boro', 22 Aug. 1516; eschr., Oxon. and Berks., at some time before 1525; subsidy comnr. apptd. by Parlt. 1523, again 1524; made Knight of the Sword at the coronation of Anne Boleyn, 31 May 1533.⁶

D. 1533/4; will of Thomas Unton knt. "of Wadley in parish of Faryngdon." His widow Dame Elizabeth d. 1536; will dat. 21 Apr., pr. 16 June 1536.⁸

UNWIN (ONEWYN), ROBERT (1405-54); of Horton, Wilts., gent. M.P. Marlborough 1449 (1).⁹

Sworn to the peace in Wilts., 1434; elector, Wilts., 1447, 1449 (1) when elected for Marlborough, 1450; pardoned, 7 Nov. 1446, as "of Horton, Wilts., gent." (m.23); J.P. Wilts., 16 Mar. 1453 to 28 Nov. 1454; on a Somerset comn. in 1443 and in Wiltshire 1450; one of those to be prayed for in the chantry founded at Calne by John St. Loo in 1446; Robert Unwine of Horton, Wilts., gent., was a mainpernor for Nicholas St. Loo esq., 1448.⁹ In July 1450 Lord St. Amand and Robert Unwin were comsmd. to seize the jewels of the dead bp. of Salisbury.

D. 1454, to judge from his comns. of the peace.¹⁰

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 529.

² Thomas Unton, merchant-stapler, flourished in London 1460-83, presumably the grandfather.

³ Dunlop, *Pedigrees of Fetiplace*, etc.

⁴ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, II. ii. p. 1484.

⁵ *ibid.* iv. p. 1943.

⁶ *ibid.* vi. 279.

⁷ One hundred sheep to Thomas Cooke, his wife's son; 50 sheep to Thomas Taylor his butler; plate to welbeloved wife Elizabeth; Wadley to wife with remainder to son Alexander Unton who is sole exor. He is to provide an honest secular priest, not beneficed, to sing for the souls of himself, his parents and ancestors at a yearly stipend of £6. Overseer, Robert Norwich knt., C.J. of Com. Pleas, and Christopher Hales, genl. attorney to the King—each to have £10 and a black gown (P.C.C., 11 Hogen).

⁸ To be bur. in Trinity Chapel, Farringdon; beside her husband. Bequests to her da. Anne Vampage, s. Alexander Unton, and "to all my sonnes and daughters both naturall and in lawe." Residue to s. Thomas Unton. Exors.:—her bros. Thomas and John Hyde. Supervisor:—her bro. William Hyde (P.C.C., 37 Hogen). See also *Unton Inventories*.

⁹ Fine Roll, 26 Hen. VI (m.6).

¹⁰ It was another contemporary Robert Unwin, M.P. Rye, who died in 1462.

UNWIN (ONWYEN), ROBERT (1415-62); of Rye, esq. M.P. Rye 1449 (1),¹ 1450-1, 1453-4,² 1455-6.³

Perhaps s. of Robert Unwin, M.P. for Rye 1413-21.

Adam Levelord (*q.v.*) leased Lewisham (Leasham) in Brede, Sussex, to Robert Unwin, gent., and John Sutton, fishmonger, both of Rye, for £20 a year, 1447. He was a jurat of Rye 1448 to 1461, probably earlier. In 1450 a strife arose in the presence of the mayor and jurats between Unwin and John Sowlkyn, whereupon Robert laid his hand upon his *aruncundum*. This mayor of Rye—1451 to 1454—was elected to Parlt. while mayor. He was one of the bailiffs of the Cinque Ports who were arrested by the provost of Yarmouth in 1456 contrary to the liberties of the Cinque Ports. As squire he vested his goods and chattels in trustees, *i.e.* Robert Dalyngridge esq. and others, 1458/9; and then he was the heaviest taxed man in the town.⁴

D. in or shortly before 1462 when a warrant was issued empowering Jane Unwin to administer the estate of Robert Unwin, who had died intestate.

UNWIN see WALWEYN.

UPHAM, ROBERT; ? lawyer. M.P. Salisbury 1489-90.

The family comes from Hampshire and a Robert Upham was a juror at the trial of the Earl of Cambridge at Portsmouth, 1415. The 1489 Robert Upham—of St. Andrews, Holborn, London, gent.—jointly with William Brill of “Wetnam”, Berks.—went surety for William Bessell of Besell and William Alleyn of Esthamsted, Berks., for the keeping of Finchhamstead manor, 21 Sept. 1488.⁵

UPSTON, JOHN (1435-80); of Reading. M.P. Reading 1467-8.

He entered the guild merchant at Reading, Jan. 1463; elected constable 1463. Mayor of Reading 1470-1, 1473-4; and one of the three selections for mayor, 1479.⁶

URREY (EWRY), JOHN OF (1395-1455); clerk of Sussex. M.P. Arundel 1447.

A *Walter* Urry of Rusper was M.P. for Horsham 1419, and for Sussex 1434 and 1435.⁷ Mr. John Urry, clerk of Sussex, was a feoffee for St. Paul's, London, 1425; was a lawyer dealing in exchange with the Lombard merchants, 1425 and 1431, called “clerk and master”.⁸ He was probably the Sussex sheriff's clerk, and filled in his own name on the Return in 1447.

URRY see EWERY.

URSWICK (URSEWYKE), (Sir) THOMAS (1420-79); of Uphavering, Essex. Common Serjeant of London 1453-4. Recorder of London 1454-71; Chief Baron

¹ He was paid for 26 days at Parlt. between Easter and Pentecost, 26s.; and for his expenses riding to the Lord of Say (lord Warden), 10s.; and for 5 days for his late time in Parlt., 5s.—all in 1449 (Rye Chamberlains' Accts. i. fs. 4, 5, 6).

² For the Parlt. at Reading he was paid for 28 days at 18d. a day (the Parlt. lasted 6 to 28 Mar.), 42s. And for the Parlt. at London 29 and 37 days at 16d. a day, 84s. (*ibid.* ff. 33, 37). He was then mayor.

³ His pay for the Parlt. at London, 20 days, had risen to 20d. a day (*ibid.* 44d) and 11 days at 20d. (*ibid.* 48).

⁴ L. A. Vidler, *Rye*, 38.

⁵ Fine Roll, 3 Hen. VII (m. 14).

⁶ Guilding, *Reading Diaries*, i. pp. 53, 55, 64, 68, 77.

⁷ *Sussex Arch. Soc.* viii. 125; xvii. 145.

⁸ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1429-35), pp. 310, 371-2, 383.

of the Exchequer 1471-9. M.P. Midhurst 1449 (1); London 1461-2, 1463-5, 1467-8, 1470-1. Yorkist.

Probably s. of Thomas Urswick of Badsworth and Uprawcliff, receiver of the county of Lancaster; *m.* (1) a da. of Needham; and (2), in or before 1457, Anne da. of Richard Rich, merch. of London. By the latter he had four s. and eight das., but only five das. survived him. Anne *rem.* in 1482 John Palmer of Otford, Kent.¹

He was made Common Serjeant of London, 27 June 1453; recorder, 3 Oct. 1454.² In July 1460 he was put on a comn. by the Yorkists to try Lancastrian partisans at the Guildhall; and in Feb. 1461 he was sent to Queen Margaret, after the battle of St. Albans, to excuse the city for not sending her supplies. He was frequently on London comns., and in the Parlt. of 1467-8 Urswick was one of the M.P.s apptd. to investigate the charges against the governor of the mint. Pardoned, 15 May 1470, as recorder of London, gent. He sat in the Readeption Parlt. and was in London when Edward IV arrived, 12 Apr. 1471. The mayor and two acting mayors avoided taking any action, but the aldermen and Urswick, the recorder, opened the gates to Edward IV.³ While Edward was in the west, Urswick defended the city against the bastard Faucomberg, and was kntd. on Edward's return, 21 May 1471, and, though he had never been a Puisne Baron, Edward made him Chief Baron of the Exchequer in place of Illingworth (*q.v.*) next day, 22 May 1471;⁴ then he retired from the recordership.⁵

D. 19 Mar. 1479, when Catherine, aged 21, wife of Henry Langley, and Anne, aged 19, wife of John Doreward,⁶ and Elizabeth (14), and Jane (6), and Maria (3), were his das. and cohs. Lands—Essex.

It is strange that so strong (and so rewarded) a Yorkist should have sat in the Readeption Parlt. It shows the Yorkists' sentiments of the city and the weakness of Warwick's govt., rather than a swift variation in Urswick's views.⁷

USBARN see OSBORNE.

USFLETE see OUSEFLEET.

USHER (USSHER), STEPHEN (1415-75); of Totnes. M.P. Dartmouth 1450-1.

In 1416 a *William* the Usher of Totnes, yeoman, was found guilty of murder. In 1454 Stephen Usher was sued for lands in Newton Abbot and elsewhere in

¹ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Thomas Urswick.

² Not 1455 as in *Dict. Nat. Biog.* (Jor. 5, fol. 196).

³ The fact that he opened the gates to Edward IV in Apr. 1471 is probably accounted for by the Common Council on 10 Apr. deciding that the King's entry into the city should not be impeded, nor the gates held, nor the city defended, owing to the military weakness of the inhabitants (Jor. 8, fo. 4).

⁴ The *D.N.B.* puts his knighting 14 June 1471, and is clearly wrong in giving 22 May 1472 as the date of his appointment (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1471, p. 259). What it was worth to be a Chief Baron may perhaps be seen from a grant made in 1473 by a husbandman of Chigwell to Sir Thomas Urswick, Chief Baron, of all his possessions.

⁵ On his retirement the city voted him a pipe of wine yearly for service in war and peace (Jor. 7, fo. 246).

⁶ On 22 Mar. 1468 the keeping of a tenement called "Shelley's tenement" in St. Mary's Stanyng, London, was granted to Thomas Urswick, Doreward and Walter Writtle (*q.v.*) (Fine Roll, 8 Edw. IV, m.8).

⁷ For further details, see Urswick's *Records of the Family of Urswick or Urrwick*, 1893.

Devon.¹ He held property in Totnes in 1465-6.² His wife's name was Jane. A *Thomas Usher* was provost of Totnes in 1508. He does not occur at all in the Dartmouth records.

UVEDALE, HENRY (1420-85); of Winchester and of Wilton (?). M.P. Portsmouth 1453-4, 1467-8.

He was an elector of Hants 1447, 1472. Eschr., Hants and Wilts., 1458-9; on a comn. of array at Portsmouth 1457; and on a gaol delivery comn. at Wallingford, Sept. 1460. Probably it is he who was pardoned 25 Dec. 1485, as of Wilton, London and Winchester, gent., late eschr.

He may be presumed father to Henry Uvedale M.P. (1460-1516), and the Dorset Visitn. makes a Henry Uvedale of Wickham s. to Sir Thomas Uvedale (1410-74), which hardly fits this Henry.

UVEDALE (ODALE), HENRY (1460-1516); of Barford St. Martin, Wilts., and of Corfe. Of the Household 1482-1509; Customer of Poole 1501-7; Keeper of Bagshot and Purbeck 1504-16. M.P. Wilton 1491-2.

As King's servant he was granted the privilege or office of "steining" wools on shipboard in Southampton, 30 Apr. 1482. In spite of "late of Wilton", it must be the preceding Henry who was pardoned by Henry VII in Dec. 1485. He was retained in the Household. For, by 1490 he was one of the King's sewers, made launder of Clarendon, 18 June 1490; made keeper of the gaol of Fisherton, Wilts., 31 Oct. 1492; J.P. Hants, 5 Feb. 1494 to 1510. His office must have been connected with some post at Corfe castle, for henceforth "of Corfe castle" is his normal description, and complaints of his extortions there reached the Government.⁴ He was "bayle of the borow of Wareham", 1498, and by "hy countenans . . . sotelly oppressyth the inhabiantys" of the Isle of Purbeck.⁵ In the result Harry Uvedale esq. was made contr. of customs at Poole "so that he write the rolls with his own hand and continually abide there and do all things in person, 3 Aug. 1501";⁶ and he was pardoned failure to abide by the letter of the bond, 30 Mar. 1502.⁷ Still King's servant, he was made keeper of Bagshot in Windsor park, 20 June 1504, keeper of Purbeck also, 5 June 1505;⁸ and again pardoned any failure to keep the recognisances he had entered into respecting Poole customs, 29 Apr. 1506. A Dorset comnr. 1506. John Kymer was put in his place at Poole, 21 July 1507. The King's servant, now gent.-usher of the chamber, was made serjeant of the King's staghounds with 7½d. a day out of Dorset, 3 July 1508; and pardoned at the accession of Henry VIII as follows:—of Corfe castle, Dorset, serjt. of the King's staghounds and bailiff of Bagshot, esq. *alias* gent., late of Barford St. Martin, Wilts., usher of Henry VII, *alias* late customer and controller of Poole.⁹

He, or a son of the same name, was gentleman usher, quarter waiter, at the coronation; but it will be the father who was remade contr. of customs at Poole, 2 July 1509;¹⁰ bailiff of Purbeck, 13 Aug. 1509;¹¹ steward of Cokeden, Canford,

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 24/229. ² Watkin, *Totnes*, pp. 450, 465, 466.

³ This pardon may be that of his father (*q.v.*). ⁴ Gairdner, *L. & P.*, ii. 75.

⁵ Pollard, *Henry VII*, ii. 145. ⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1501), 244. ⁷ *ibid.* (1502), 271.

⁸ Palmer's Index to the Fine Rolls. ⁹ *Cal. L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 438. 1 (m.8).

¹⁰ *ibid.* i. 132 (47). ¹¹ *ibid.* i. 158 (39).

Poole and Corfe, 21 Aug. 1509;¹ J.P. Dorset, 22 Feb. 1510 till death. In 1513 he was serving on the *Katherine Fortilezza* with 25 men;² on a Dorset comn., 1513. The reversion of Bagshot was granted to Sir William FitzWilliam in 1514 and again 21 July 1515;³ Purbeck "now held by Henry Uvedale" was transferred to William Uvedale presumably his son, 3 Oct. 1515; and soon after he must have died.

UVEDALE, REYNOLD (1420-70); of Hambledon, Hants, esq. M.P. HAMPSHIRE 1467-8.

Perhaps a younger bro. of Sir Thomas M.P. (1410-74), and of William (*q.v.*) (1415-75), and therefore s. of William Uvedale of Wickham, Hants (1382-1450).

He and William were both on a comn. of array in Hambledon and Meonstoke, Hants, in 1457. Escheator, Hants and Wilts., 1456-7, 1461-3. On comns. of array in Hants 1461, 1463, and a comnr. of *o. & t.* 1462. He is not mentioned in the Uvedale pedigrees.

UVEDALE, (Sir) THOMAS (1410-74); of Wickham, Hants. M.P. HAMPSHIRE 1437, 1445-6; SUSSEX 1450-1; HAMPSHIRE 1455-6.

S. of William Uvedale, M.P. (1382-1450), s. of John Uvedale, M.P. (1360-1425). *M.* (1) Margaret, da. of Thomas Kingston, by whom he had three sons; (2) 1463/5, Elizabeth (*d.* 1488) widow of William Sydney of Baynards, and da. of Sir Henry Norbury (*q.v.*).

Sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1437-8; sheriff, Hants, 1438-9, 1447-8, 1451-2, 1463-4, "esq."; sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1464-5, "knt."; J.P. Hants, 11 July 1441 to 18 Dec. 1470; J.P. Sussex, 20 Oct. 1442 to 14 Nov. 1458; elector, Hants, 1431, 1442, 1447, 1449 (1), 1449 (2). For a year, 2 Dec. 1453 to 3 Dec. 1454, till succeeded by the Earl of Salisbury, he was keeper of Porchester castle.

Uvedale was almost "common form" on every comn., for between 1441 and 1473 he was apptd. to no less than 56 such. They include the Lancastrian comns. of Dec. 1459 and Jan.-June 1460, and as many Yorkist comns. in the succeeding months. He was also an apportioner of subsidy 1463.⁴ His wife was made one of Queen Elizabeth's four Ladies-in-Waiting, and he himself was kntd. at her coronation, 26 May 1465. He was pardoned 14 June 1472, as late sheriff of Surrey, Sussex and Hants *alias* of "Bromsill", Hants, *alias* late of Wickham, Hants (*m.27*).

D. 20 Feb. 1474, when William, aged 19, was his s. and h.; will pr. 12 July 1474. To be bur. at Wykeham, next to his wife Margaret, in a marble tomb. Bequests to Elizabeth, his wife, William, his s., Thomas, his s., and William his yr. son. Exors.:—William Uvedale esq., his bro., Thomas Pounce esq. (*q.v.*), William Ellis, vicar of Hambledon, and John Wayte.⁵

UVEDALE, THOMAS (1457-95); of Hambledon, Hants; servant to Bp. of Winchester. M.P. Portsmouth 1478—called esq.

Second s. of Sir Thomas Uvedale of Wickham, M.P. (1410-74), by Margaret (Kingston), and yr. bro. of Sir William Uvedale M.P. (1454-1524);⁶ *m.* Elizabeth da. and coh. of Nicholas Soper of Southmondham, Sussex; issue, Anthony.⁷ He

¹ *L. & P. Hen. VIII.* i. 158 (69).

² *ibid.* i. 1661 (3).

³ *ibid.* II. i. 194.

⁴ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

⁵ P.C.C., 16 Wattys.

⁶ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*—Sir William Uvedale.

⁷ *Visitn. Hants*, 48.

occurs in his father's will, 1474 ; and in William of Waynflete's will as one of his servants, 1486.¹

UVEDALE, WILLIAM (1415-75). M.P. HAMPSHIRE 1449 (1).

Yr. s. of William Uvedale of Titsey, Surrey, M.P. (1382-1450), and yr. bro. of Sir Thomas Uvedale M.P. (1410-74).

Elector, Hants, 1447, 1450, 1467 "esq."; eschr., Hants and Wilts., 1453-4; J.P. Hants, 10 Mar. 1461 to 30 Jan. 1464, and 21 Apr. 1466 to 10 Jan. 1468. On Hants comms. 1448 to 1468, or even Jan. 1475—but the last may be his nephew. He was Lancastrian in 1459-60.

In Mar. 1474 he was exor. of the will of his bro., Sir Thomas Uvedale, whose son, William, was then 19. Our William occurs no more.

UVEDALE, Sir WILLIAM (1454-1524); of Wickham. Sq. of the Body 1485-9; of the Council of Wales 1510-24. M.P. HAMPSHIRE 1491-2,² 1495.

S. and h. of Sir Thomas Uvedale of same M.P. (1410-74) by Margaret (Kingston). *M. Anne* (*d.* 1512) da. and coh. of William Sydney (his step-mother's first husband), by whom he had his s. and h. Sir William.

Apptd. to command Porchester castle, 18 May 1483; summoned to receive knighthood at coronation of Edward V; rebelled with the Duke of Buckingham and attainted 1484;³ pardoned 19 Jan. 1485. On Hants comms. from 1477, including those of 1483 but not 1484; elector, Hants, 1488; J.P. Hants, 19 Jan. 1478 to Dec. 1483, 20 Sept. 1485 till sheriff 1486, 11 Jan. 1494 till death; sheriff, Hants 1479-80, 1486-7, 1492-3. When Henry VII came he was made sq. of the body, 1485; a beneficiary under the will of William of Waynflete, 1486; knntd., 29 Nov. 1489; returned to Parlt. 1491, 1495; a member of the Council of Wales and J.P. in four counties, 7 Mar. 1510.

D. 2 Jan. 1524.

VAUGHAN, HENRY (1435-98/9); of Bristol, merchant. M.P. Bristol 1487, 1497.

He was suing Lord Fitzwaren for looting his goods off a Spanish ship in Ilfracombe bay, though they had the King's safe conduct, 1463.⁴ Bailiff of Bristol 1469; pardoned as merchant, May 1472; sheriff of Bristol 1477; mayor 1483, 1493; on Bristol gaol delivery comms. 1488-98; constable of the staple of wools at Bristol, 1491; again mulcted in a "pardon" 1496.

D. 1499. Will, dat. 2 Jan. 1498, pr. 12 Nov. 1499. To be bur. in St. Stephen's, Bristol. Bequests to s. John, to John Vaughan s. and Joyce da. of aforesaid John, to Henry and Cecily other children of his s. John. Masses for w. Jane and s. John while alive and after death. Residue to w. Jane and she exix. Supervisors—John Estfield (*q.v.*) and Richard Vaughan, merchant.⁵

¹ Chandelers' *Life of Waynflete*.

² On the list he is called "Sir *Herry*", but he must be Sir William. There was a Henry Uvedale M.P. for Wilton in 1491-2 (1460-1516), but he was not a knight nor of the standing required from a kn. of the shire.

³ Parlt. ordered that he should forfeit all, including Wickham and Pittleworth, but these were claimed by his step-mother Eliz. Uvedale and allowed to her (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1485, 523).

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 30/40.

⁵ P.C.C., 38 Horne.-

VAUGHAN, Sir THOMAS (1425-83). Master of the Ordnance 1450-61; Squire of the Body 1450-9, 1462-75; Keeper of the Great Wardrobe 1460-1; Treasurer of the Chamber 1467-82; Chamberlain to the Pr. of Wales 1471-83.

M.P. Marlboro, 1455-6; CORNWALL 1478. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Sir Roger Vaughan; *m.* 1460 Eleanor da. and coh. of Sir Thomas Arundel of Betchworth, Surrey, and widow of Sir Thomas Browne (*q.v.*), beheaded July 1460. Issue Anne, *m.* Sir John Logan, and Henry, whose son Sir Thomas took as his surname Ap Harry = Parry.¹

As King's squire he was made porter of Abergavenny, etc., during Warwick's minority, 15 June 1446. Perhaps already Yorkist when he succeeded John Hampton (*q.v.*) as Master of the Ordnance, 23 June 1450.² As squire of the body he was granted houses in London, 30 Mar. 1453, exempted from resumption 1455. Pardoned, 1 May 1458, as squire of body and Master of the Ordnance (*m.25*). Immediately thereafter, 14 May, he was sent as ambassador to Burgundy.³ J.P. Mdsx., 11 Oct. 1457 to 18 Sept. 1461. But he was with the Yorkists at Ludlow and attainted, Dec. 1459. He returned with the Earls, and by 14 Aug. 1460 he was again squire of the body and Master of the Ordnance; keeper of the Gt. Wardrobe also, 1 Sept. 1460. That month he was transporting ordnance to Wales.⁴ After St. Albans, Feb. 1461, with the Lancastrians at the city's gate, Vaughan and Malpas (*q.v.*) took ship from London with the Yorkist treasure and were captured by French pirates and held to ransom. In October Edward IV was promising him £200 towards this ransom and the King got him back to service by the following year.⁵ Vaughan was sent with Wenlock (*q.v.*) to Burgundy to make a commercial treaty, 24 Oct. 1462.⁶ His marriage had made him rich, and the Browne (Lancastrian) grants were exempted from resumption 1463, 1467.⁷ In 1463 he escorted the Burgundian embassy from London to Sandwich, and met Louis XI at St. Omer.⁸ J.P. Kent, Surrey and Sussex from 1464; sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1466-7. From Apr. to Sept. 1467 he was in Burgundy negotiating Princess Margaret's marriage to Charles the Bold, being then called Treasurer of the Chamber.⁹ Vaughan was in Burgundy when Margaret arrived for the marriage and Charles sent him thence to Edward IV to communicate to him the statutes of the Golden Fleece, 14 May 1468.¹⁰ He took the Garter to Charles, 4 Feb. 1470, still Treasurer of the Chamber;¹¹ negotiating with the Hanse in May 1469.¹²

His pardon of 14 Apr. 1468 makes clear the identification, for he is given *aliases* squire of the body, treasurer of the chamber, keeper of the great wardrobe to Henry VI, J.P. Surrey, Sussex and Kent, late sheriff.¹³ There is no mention of the Ordnance, but the pardon and the embassy of 1458 make it clear that the squire of the body held that post also.

As he was removed from his comns. of the peace by the Readeption govt. he was certainly in exile with Edward 1470-1, and returned with him to Barnet and Tewkesbury. Then, in 1471, he was made chamberlain and counsellor to Prince

¹ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Thomas Vaughan.

³ *Foedera*, VI. ii. 80.

⁵ Issue Roll, Mich. 2 Edw. IV (7th Oct.).

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. pp. 534, 587, 592.

⁹ *Foedera*, V. ii. 149.

¹¹ *Foedera*, V. ii. 173.

² *Proc. Privy Cl.* vi. 94.

⁴ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 98.

⁶ *Foedera*, VI. ii. 111.

⁸ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. pp. 278, 297.

¹⁰ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. pp. 449, 455.

¹³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1468), 87.

¹² *ibid.* 170.

Edward,¹ restored to the bench and added in seven other counties, sent to treat with Louis XI,² and the 1472 Parliament exempted him as "squire of the body, s. and h. of Sir Roger Vaughan".³ He was kntd., 18 Apr. 1475; left in England when the King's army went to France, being "of our Council of England".⁴ More comns. followed in 1479; he was co-operating with (Sir) John Wood (*q.v.*) in 1482;⁵ sent with Montgomery (*q.v.*) to Maximilian, 1 Dec. 1482,⁶ and absent from Edward's last Parlt.; but exempted from the Act of Apparel,⁷ and pardoned, 4 Mar. 1483, as Chamberlain to the Prince (m.3). To judge from his comns. of the peace he had ceased to be Treasurer of the Chamber Nov. 1482/Feb. 1483.

He was at Ludlow with the Prince (aged 12) when Edward died. They made at once for London. Gloucester and Buckingham intercepted them at Stoney Stratford, sent Rivers, Grey, Haute (*q.v.*) and Vaughan to Pontefract, and there they were all beheaded by Ratcliff, 23 June 1483. Anthony earl Rivers drew up his will before his "heading":—Also I owe Sir Thomas Vaughan 200 marks, whereof I have paid 20 marks here in the north, and he hath to pledge "my balys in culumbine with five perles".⁸ But Vaughan had no chance to make a will.

A contemporary Welsh bard, Lewis Glyn Cothi, wrote two odes to Thomas Vaughan as a great warrior. But there were three Thomas Vaughans. One "of the true line of Herst" fell at Banbury with the Herberts, 1469; another was kntd. and fought for the Tudors at Bosworth. This latter was pardoned, 25 Feb. 1486, Thomas ap Roger Vaughan, *alias* Thomas ap Rosser Vichan, *alias* Thomas ap Rosser de Tretoure in Crickhowell, knt.; and on 2 Apr. 1486, Thomas Vaughan knt., *alias* Thomas ap Roger ap Rossell.⁹ So that, when Cothi says that our Sir Thomas was a s. of Sir Roger Vaughan of Tretower by a da. of Prior Coch the red-headed, one may guess that "Rossell", "red-head", and illegitimacy ran rather in the Bosworth Sir Thomas than in the "s. and h. of Sir Roger" who died at Pontefract. Cothi may be more trustworthy in supposing that Vaughan might have joined Richard of Gloucester. Most did, for the first three months; Edward's Queen was certainly both unpleasant and unpopular.

VAUX, ROLAND (1415-75); of Triermain, esq. M.P. CUMBERLAND 1453-4.

Perhaps g.s. of Roland Vaux M.P. Cumberland 1399.

Escheator of Cumberland, 1441-2, 1450-1; on Cumbd. comns. of array, 1448 and 1461, and on other Cumbrian comns.; sheriff, Cumbd., 1451-2, 1461-3, 1466-8. On the pardon roll, 10 Oct. 1455, he appears as "of Trethermayn, esq., late sheriff" (m.27); on that of 30 Jan. 1458, "esq. of Cumberland, late sheriff and escheator" (m.42); on that of 5 Apr. 1460, as "of Tredyrmane, *alias* of Penreth" (m.3). In 1463 he was one of the administrators of the estate of Thomas Delamore esq., deceased. The Readeption government made him J.P., and he was an elector of Cumberland in 1472. His son Roland was the last of the Triermain family.

¹ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 6.

² *Foedera*, V. iii. 7.

³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 93.

⁴ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 125.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 306.

⁶ Scofield, *Edward IV*, ii. 355.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 221.

⁸ *Excerpta Historica*, 247.

⁹ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 408; ii. 126.

VAUX, WILLIAM (1400-60); of Harrowden, N'hants. M.P. NORTH-AMPTONSHIRE 1442.² Lancastrian.

S. and h. of William Vaux, lawyer of Northampton town (*d.* 1405) by Eleanor da. of Thomas Drakelow of Wilby, N'hants.; *m. c.* 1430 Maud sis. and coh. of Sir William Lucy (*q.v.*) of Richards castle, Herefordshire; and their s. William was born 1437, slain at Tewkesbury 1471.

An elector, Lincs., 1435; sheriff of N'hants., 1436-7, 1449-50, 1453-4; had an annuity of 10 marks from the subsidy of wool in the port of London, Nov. 1444; J.P. N'hants., 30 June 1445 to 1 Dec. 1458; elector in N'hants., 1432, 1433, 1435, 1447; on many comns. in N'hants., 1453 to 1460; pardoned July 1452, 1456, 1458, as of Harrowden; J.P. Lindsey, 13 Dec. 1453 to 22 Nov. 1458. His s. William *m.* in 1456 Katherine, one of the ladies of Queen Margaret of Anjou and a native of Provence; so that Vaux was a strong Lancastrian. For that reason he was made sheriff of Cambs. and Hunts., 30 June to 14 Dec. 1457, and eschr. of N'hants. and Rutland in Nov. 1457; and on the comns. of array for N'hants. and Lincs., Dec. 1459. He was exempted for life of all offices and juries, Feb. 1460; but by 26 Aug. 1460² he was probably dead, and he may have been one of those killed at the battle of Northampton.

VAVASOUR, JOHN (1415-83); of Spaldington, Yorks.; lawyer. Clerk of the Estreats 1439-52. M.P. Lincoln city 1447, 1449 (1).

Yr. s. of Henry Vavasour of Haselwood, Yorks. (*d.* 1451), by Jane da. of Thomas Langton of Huddelston. *M.* Isabel (Elizabeth) da. and coh. of Thomas de la Haye of Spaldington.³ His son John (1440-1505) was M.P. for Bridport and Justice of the Common Pleas—see *Dict. Nat. Biog.*

He was clerk of the estreats in the Common Bench 1439 to 1452, as evidenced by grants of his expenses, *i.e.* £10 a year to be paid by the sheriff of Yorkshire for himself and clerk. J.P. East Riding, of the quorum, 8 Feb. 1455 to 13 Dec. 1459, and 20 May 1461 to death; on comns. in Yorks., particularly sewers, 1452 to 1482, and in Lincs. 1455 to 1467; a feoffee for Thomas Zouch in Lincs., Nov. 1457, and pardoned, 5 Jan. 1458, as "of Weston, Yorks., esq." (*m.* 42).

D. as appears from his comns. 1482/3.

VAVASOUR, Sir JOHN (1440-1505); of Spaldington, Yorks.; Serjeant-at-law 1478; Justice of the Common Pleas 1490; Recorder of York 1486. M.P. Bridport 1472. Sumnd. 1484, 1485-6, 1487, 1489-90, 1491-2, 1495, 1497, 1504.

S. and h. of John Vavasour M.P. (1415-83), by Elizabeth⁴ (de la Haye) of Spaldington, Yorks; *m.* Elizabeth da. of Robert Tailboys (*q.v.*).

Entered Inner Temple and first mentioned in the Year Books of 1467; serjt.-at-law, Trinity 1478; King's serjt., 15 June 1483, and again 27 June 1483 and 23 Sept. 1485; apptd. Justice of Pleas within the Duchy of Lancs., 23 Sept. 1485. In Mar. 1486 when the recordership of York was contested by candidates of the King and of the Earl of Northumberland the corpn. elected Vavasour as

¹ Bro.-in-law of the Speaker.

² When his s. and h. William Vaux had seisin as a coh. of Sir William Lucy, slain at Northampton. This s. was attainted after Towton.

³ *Geneal. N.S.* xix. pp. 113-4.

⁴ Clay, *Yorks. Visitns.*

"being the most able and convenient person above others in these parts." He pleased the King during a royal visit to York, Apr. 1486; carried the news of Lincoln's rebellion to the King, 1487. J.P. East Riding, 8 Feb. 1477 till death; N'hants. from 1480, Derby, Leics., Notts. and Warw. from 1481, and Lincs. from 1483; made puisne justice of common pleas, 14 Aug. 1490. According to the *Dict. Nat. Biog.* he was kntd. by 1489, but the date is more likely to have been between May and July 1501.¹ He was probably allied with Richard Empson (*q.v.*) by whom he is said to have been influenced.²

D. 1505³ without issue. His wife Elizabeth survived until 1509.⁴

VERE, Hon. Sir ROBERT (1410-61); of Haccombe and Colebroke. Captain of Caen 1450; Chamberlain to Duke of Exeter 1457-60; soldier. M.P. DEVONSHIRE 1455-6. Lancastrian.

Second s. of Richard, 11th Earl of Oxford; *m.* 1450 Jane da. of Sir Hugh Courtenay M.P. and widow of Sir Nicholas Carew. His grandson was the 15th Earl.

At Whitsuntide 1426 he was kntd. with the King (aged 4) by the Duke of Bedford.⁵ In Feb. 1447 he was one of those arrested with the Duke of Gloucester at Bury,⁶ but not sentenced or tried. Evidently he went to France, for in Aug. 1449 the Privy Council were trying to raise money for the armies which "the lord Powys, the lord Zouche's son, and Sir Robert Veere shal lede."⁷ He was commanding in Caen when Somerset ordered him to go to the support of Sir Thomas Kyriell, Mar. 1450. On the way they took Valognes, but the united army was totally defeated at Formigny, 15 Apr. 1450. Vere escaped to Bayeux and rejoined his garrison in Caen.⁸ There they were besieged, and he and 3,000 (!) men surrendered the place, 26 Apr. 1450.⁹ He was back in England by October, for he got married; on all Devon comms. till June 1460, including all the Lancastrian arrays; sumnd. to attend the great council for Devon, 16 Apr. 1455; but elected to the Yorkist Parlt. immediately after St. Albans, put on the Devon bench 3 Dec., and ordered to assist York in putting down the civil war in Devon, 5 Dec. 1455. He acknowledges receipt of 50s. from Sir John Coleshill in May 1457 as Chamberlain to Henry, duke of Exeter, and the duke's receiver in Devon.¹⁰ He sided with the Courtenays against the Bonvilles. What part he took in 1460-1 is unknown; but Paston, writing on 18 Apr. 1461, says:—"Item, Sir Robert Vere is slayn in Cornewayll, as it is tok for Trouthe."¹¹

VERNEY, Sir JOHN (1449/50-1505); of Claydon and Salden. M.P. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE (? 1483), (? 1484), (? 1485), (? 1487), 1491-2.

Eldest s. and h. of Sir Ralph Verney M.P. (1420-78) by Elizabeth (Pole);

¹ This date is deduced from his appts. as J.P. Shaw, *Knights*, ii. p. 33, gives Nov. 14, 1501.

² *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir John Vavasour.

³ *Dict. Nat. Biog.* says probably soon after Mich.; but judging from appts. as J.P., it might have been earlier in the year. His will, dat. 11 Jan. 1495, pr. 21 Dec. 1505 (Reg. Test. vi. fol. 181).

⁴ *Test. Vetust.* 491. Will of Dame Elizabeth Greystock, widow, late w. of Sir John Vavasour.

⁵ Kingsford, *Chronicle*, pp. 95, 130.

⁷ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 86.

⁹ Stevenson, *Letters and Papers*, ii, 631.

¹⁰ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 305.

⁶ *English Chronicle*, Rolls Series, 117.

⁸ Ramsay, *Lancaster and York*, i. 107.

¹¹ *Paston Letters*, ii. 8.

m. by 1472¹ Margaret da. and h. of Sir Robert Whittingham M.P. (1420-71) of Pendley, Herts., and Salden, Bucks.; whence derive the Verneys of Steeple-Claydon.

In 1472 he obtained from Parlt. the reversal of his father-in-law's attainder;² exor.—aged 28—of his father's will, 1478; on Bucks. comns. 1479 onwards, including all those of 1483-4; sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1480-1; J.P. Bucks., May 1483 to Aug. 1485, and 1487 till death. The abbot of St. Albans granted him six fallow deer a year, 1479,³ and Richard III granted him rebel lands in Somerset. The Tudors met his views or remembered his father-in-law; kntd. Oct. 1485; the Parlt. of 1485-6 exempted from resumption those lands he had never yet had, which Cardinal Beaufort 40 years before had sold to Robert Whittingham, when squire of the Household;⁴ sheriff, Essex and Herts., 1498-9; at the reception to Katherine of Aragon, 1501; on Bucks. comns. till death, being a subsidy comnr. apptd. by Parlt. 1504,⁵ and delivering the gaols of Aylesbury, Dunstable and Hertford.

D. 21 Aug. 1505.

VERNEY, (Sir) RALPH (1420-78); of London, mercer; of Claydon, Bucks. M.P. London 1459, 1469, 1472-5. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Ralph Verney, serjeant-at-mace (*d.* 1446/7); *m.* (1) Eleanor da. of Geoffrey Pole, and (2) Emma, widow of Pickering. His sons were Sir John Verney M.P. (1450-1505) and Sir Ralph.⁶

£10 was owing to Ralph Verney and John Derby, citizens and mercers of London, 1447. Verney entered into a bond for £200, being the patrimony of the orphan Katherine da. of John Goodson, 1450.⁷ He went bail for the Earl of Salisbury's men, in prison after the 1454 riot;⁸ was auditor of London 1453-5, 1464-5; sheriff 1456-7; alderman, Dec. 1457 till death; one of those sent to Northampton to oppose the Lancastrian demand for help from the city, 1460;⁹ was master of the Mercer's Company, 1459, 1464, 1471, 1476; mayor of London 1465-6; elector, 1467, 1478; pardoned, always of London and not yet of Claydon, Aug. 1455, Jan. 1458, Feb. 1462, July 1468; an exor. of the will of Geoffrey Boleyn (*q.v.*), 1463; on London comns. 1466-7. He had a grant in Aug. 1467 of two messuages and 64 acres in Aylesbury and three messuages and 150 acres in Barton, Bucks., forfeited by the attainder of William Wandesford; then or soon after he must have bought Claydon.

On the common council deputation to take a gift and loan to Edward IV, Apr. 1470.¹⁰ When, on 12 Apr. 1471, Sir Thomas Cook, acting mayor, fled, Ralph Verney became acting mayor. The alderman and Urswick, the recorder, opened the gates to Edward IV,¹¹ and Verney was kntd., 21 May 1471, by a grateful King. J.P. Bucks., 8 Aug. 1471 to 10 Nov. 1475. And in Feb. 1472 Verney and Richard Fowler (*q.v.*), as trustees, bought from the King the reversion on the death of

¹ Sir Thomas Montgomery (*q.v.*) and Philippe his wife, Sir Ralph Verney (*q.v.*), Richard Fowler (*q.v.*), Catherine widow of Sir Robert Whittingham (*q.v.*), John Verney and Margaret were defts. in a fine of the Whittingham lands, dated All Souls, 12 Edw. IV (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1502, 258) ² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 27. ³ *Whethamstead's Register*, ii. 207. ⁴ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 317.

⁵ *ibid.* vi. 537.

⁸ *Jor.* 5, fo. 152.

¹⁰ *Jor.* 7, fo. 213.

⁶ Lipscombe, *Bucks.*, i. 378.

⁷ *Letter Book K.* 329.

⁹ *Jor.* 6, fo. 196d; Sharpe, *London & the Kingdom*, i, 297-8.

¹¹ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 575.

Sir Thomas Montgomery (*q.v.*) of Salden, Dunton, etc., in Bucks. (Whittingham's forfeited lands), and settled the same on Verney and his heirs. Next month he and John his son and Margaret John's wife—she being da. and h. of Sir Robert Whittingham (*q.v.*)—were granted all Whittingham's forfeited lands. All these grants were specially exempted from resumption by the Parlt. in which Verney sat, 1473.¹

Sir Ralph *d.* 10 June 1478, when John, aged 28, was his s. and h. ; will, dat. 11 June, pr. 25 June 1478.²

VERNON, FULK (1413-49) ; heir of Haddon ;³ captain of Hammes 1445-9.

M.P. DERBYSHIRE 1437, 1439-40.

Probably e.s. and h. appt. of Sir Richard Vernon of Tong and Haddon, the Speaker (1390-1451), who was great-nephew and h. of Fulk de Pembridge, of Tong, Salop.

In July 1433 Fulk Vernon, with ten men-at-arms and thirty-three archers, was bound for France ; in Dec. 1439, while M.P., he was made bailiff of the Wapentake of Morleiston and Lukchirche, Derby ; in Feb. 1449 this bailiwick was granted to Walter Blount, *vice* Fulk Vernon, dec. Fulk had been captain of Hammes while his father was Treasurer of Calais, *i.e.*, 1445 to 1451 ; so he probably died in France. Sir William Vernon, third s. of Sir Richard who succeeded his father in 1451/2, was only born in 1420, and first sat for Derbyshire in 1442.

VERNON, Sir HENRY (1445-1515) ; of Haddon, etc. Governor to P. of Wales 1494-1509 ; Knt. of Body 1509-15. M.P. DERBYSHIRE (? 1470-1), 1478, (? 1483), (? 1489-90), 1491-2. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir William Vernon of same M.P. (1420-67) by Margaret (Lichfield) ; *m.* Anne da. of John Talbot, earl of Shrewsbury ;⁴ s. and h. Richard, aged 30 in 1515.

J.P. Derbys., 29 Mar. 1469 to 1471, and 24 Feb. 1472 till death ; pardoned, probably as a follower of Clarence and Warwick, 20 Mar. 1470. Clarence wrote to him from Wells for news when Edward's landing was mooted, 16 Mar. 1471 ; and again 23 Mar. to come to him at once with men and money. While Warwick was also begging him to come to Coventry :—" Henry, I pray you fail me not now as ever I may do to you." But he joined Clarence about 3 Apr. at Warwick,⁵ and probably fought on Edward's side at Barnet. After Tewkesbury King Edward wrote to Haddon bidding Vernon come to meet him at Coventry.⁶ Pardoned,

¹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. pp. 82, 90.

² To be bur. in St. Martin's Pomeroy in Ironmonger Lane. Bequests to w. Emme ; das. dame Margaret Raleigh and Beatrice Danvers have had their preferment on their marriage, but bequests to sons John and Rauf. Masses for self, parents, and special friends, Thomas Fauconer, Philip Fauconer, and John Hertwell. Bequests to friars at Aylesbury and Northampton to pray for soul of Aunt dame Alice Reynes and her husband, John Christmasse (*q.v.*). 100 marks to "cousin" Jane Raleigh da. of Sir Edward Raleigh and Margaret. 100 marks to John Pyking his wife's son. Bequests to his "true lover" John Brown, ald. of London, and to Thomas Botelier, supervisor of his will. Exors. :—Emme his wellbeloved wife, John and Rauf his sons (*Test. Vetust.*, 350).

³ Pardoned £40, as Fulk Vernon of Haddon, probably in connection with his conveying of lead from the Derbyshire mines for the building of Eton College (*Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1443) pp. 162, 268).

⁴ *Visitn. Salop*, 471.

⁵ *Hist. MSS. Comn. (Vernon Letters)* ; Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 572.

⁶ Scofield, *op. cit.*, 589.

10 Nov. 1472 ; on the subsidy comn., 27 Apr. 1483 ; summoned to receive knight-hood at the coronation of Edward V. He was on all the comns. of 1483-4 and thereafter till death including the subsidy comn. of 1504. Being related to the Talbots he managed to suit Lancaster as well as York. Kntd., 29 Nov. 1489 ; J.P. Glos., Heref., and Worcs., 1493-1504, and of Salop and Derbys. till death. He was at York's creation and governor to the Prince of Wales, 1494-1504 ; steward of the High Peak, 1504 ; J.P. Staffs., 1508 till death. Henry VIII made him knt. of the Body, 1509. Even in 1513 he was directed to raise 100 men for the Army for France.

D. 13 Apr. 1515. Will, dat. 18 Jan., pr. 5 May 1515. To be bur. at Tong, Salop. Bequests of goods at Haddon. His wife's bones to be taken up and laid with his. To the chapel at Tong " my greate and fayrest masse boke ". Bequests to sons Thomas, Humphrey, Arthur and John ; to das. Margaret and Mary ; and to Humphrey's s. George. Exors. :—Richard his s. and h., s. Arthur, Anthony Fitzherbert his s.-in-law, Sir Thomas Rawson his chaplain.¹

VERNON, Sir WILLIAM (1418-67) ; of Haddon.² Treasurer of Calais 1451-60. M.P. DERBYSHIRE 1442, 1449-50, 1450-1 ; STAFFORDSHIRE² 1455-6, (? 1459) ; DERBYSHIRE 1467 till death.

Third but eldest surviving s. of Sir Richard Vernon of the same M.P. (1390-1451/2) the Speaker, by Benet (Ludlow) ; m. in 1437 Margaret da. of William de Lichfield, *alias* Taverner (M.P.), heiress of Spenor, Derby, by whom he had Sir Harry Vernon (1445-1515) M.P., to whom was addressed Warwick's last despairing letter.

Comns., Derbys. and Staffs., 1449 onwards ; succeeded his father as Treasurer of Calais 1451/2, and was kntd., 1452 ; pardoned 1452,³ 1455,⁴ and 1458, but a strong Lancastrian. With Buckingham and the Lancastrians he was on a comn. of o. & t. in Oct. 1459, and on the Derbys. comn. of array, 21 Dec. 1459. J.P. Derbys., 19 Feb. 1455 to 3 Apr. 1456, and 28 May 1457 to 14 Nov. 1458 ; J.P. Staffs., 18 Mar. 1460 to 1461. Obviously in 1461 he was taken off all comns., but he was pardoned, 3 Dec. 1461 and again 20 Sept. 1463. In 1463 he was an apportioner of the subsidy in Derbys.⁵ In Dec. 1463 Sir William Vernon and Henry, his son, rioting in Derbyshire, failed to appear when summoned, and a comn. was apptd. to deal with them. During all these years he carried on a private feud with Sir John Gresley of Drakelow, the Yorkist.

D. 30 June 1467,⁶ just after the Parliament met to which he had been elected.⁷

¹ P.C.C., 9 Holder.

² Haddon was his chief seat, but the family held of old time Harleston, Staffs., and his father had inherited Tong, Salop.

³ Pardon Roll, 23 June 1452, William Vernon esq., s. and h. of Richard Vernon knt. (m.30).

⁴ Of Harleston, Staffs., knt., *alias* of Tong, Salop., *alias* of Haddon, Derby, *alias* of Cubbleston, Staffs., *alias* heir of Richard Pembridge, *alias* s. and h. of Richard Vernon, knt. (m.8). ⁵ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

⁶ It is possible that he was killed. Late in 1467 a Vernon was murdered in Derbys. in a fight between the Earl of Shrewsbury's men (Lancastrian) and Lord Grey of Codnor's men (Yorkists). Miss Scofield calls this victim a brother of Harry Vernon, and Harry had certainly plenty of brothers.

⁷ Will, pr. in 1468, mentions das. Elizabeth, Margaret, Benett and Alice ; each to have 500 marks for their marriage ; he mentions his s. and h. Harry Vernon and other sons, Richard, William and Rafe ; his w. Margaret, with William Comberford (*q.v.*) and John Pennistone, priest, are his exors. (P.C.C., 23 Godyn).

VESEY (VEYSY), WILLIAM (1410-62); Brick and Tile Manufacturer of London. M.P. Lyme 1449 (1); Wareham 1449-50.

In 1441, for good service, Richard Lownde and William Veysey were granted the office of collectors and the survey of beer brewers; and in May 1441 the mayor was ordered to assist these "searchers of Beer Brewers".¹ This grant was renewed in 1443; and the 1444 charter to the City of London recites that the King had granted this office to Lounde and Veysey for their lives; and that now, because it was not the King's intention to interfere with the liberties of the City, the King grants that on the expiration of this grant the mayor and citizens may dispose of the foregoing as they think fit.² The matter, however, went further, and his real profession was shown in the following grant for life to William Veysey, brickmaker, on 12 Jan. 1445, of 6*d.* daily from the ulnage of cloth in London, and £10 a year besides from the same; notwithstanding that Lownde and Veysey have for life the search of beer and beer brewers, wherefrom they have not yet received any profit; and also appointment for life to search where convenient land can be found for making tiles, called brick, and to dig therein after agreement with the owner, and to make tiles for use in buildings and repairs of the King's manors, in lieu of their grant by letters patent of 10 Dec. 1437, surrendered. He was, in fact, the inventor or exploiter of tiles for roofing purposes.

Elector, Mdsx., 1442; founded a chantry at St. Stephens, Coleman Street, Feb. 1448, to pray for Mr. Richard Andrew, the King's Secretary, Lucy Andrew, John Brewster and Alice his wife, and William Veysey, and for their souls after death. As bailiff of the water of Thames, he was ordered to arrest ships, Apr. 1453; he was arresting more ships in 1454. In Oct. 1455, called "brickmaker and esq.", he was administrator of the goods of John Somerseth, deceased. Now Dr. John Somerseth (*q.v.*) was Chancellor of the Exchequer in 1449 and may quite probably have seen to it that William Veysey sat in Parlt. Andrew Keble was also a friend of Somerseth's, and they both sat for Lyme. The Pardon Roll, 4 July 1458, includes William Bauceby, clerk, William Veysey of London, and William Pokylton, yeoman, the administrators of Somerseth's goods, who died intestate (*m.18*). As late as 1462 Veysey was still a feoffee of Somerseth's "great house" at Isleworth, but he does not appear in the 1462-3 pardon rolls, and must have died *c.* 1462.

VESKE, JOHN (1405-65); of Lancing, Sussex, and of Stamford. M.P. Shoreham 1447.

John and Ralf Veske were sworn to the peace in Sussex, 1434; pardoned, 20 July 1452, as John Veske of Stamford, Lincs., gent., late of Lancing, Sussex, esq. (*m.17*). Jane, widow of Robert Cayflete of Eston, Lincs., gent., who had married John Veske of Stamford, gent., was being sued in Nov. 1457. It is possible that Piers Veske, afterwards M.P., was his son.

VESKE, PIERS (1440-85); of Lancing, Sussex. M.P. Shoreham 1472-5, 1478.

Perhaps son of John Veske (*q.v.*).

Eschr., Surrey and Sussex, 1464-5, 1478-9. Sussex elector, 1467, 1472.

¹ *Letter Book K.* 270.

² *Cal. Char. Rolls*, vi. 43.

Pardoned 1472, as of Lancing esq., *alias* late eschr. of Surrey and Sussex, *alias* late of Arundel. £10 was owed to him and the Earl of Arundel in 1480. In 1483 he was mentioned as a freeholder of Wiston, Sussex. His exors. are named between 1484 and 1490.¹

VESTYNDEN, THOMAS (1415-60); of Hastings, gent.; ? lawyer.
M.P. Hastings 1449 (1), 1453-4.

Thomas Vestynden of Hastings, gent., and Richard Brydde of London, merchants, were mainpernors for John Stoughton esq. (M.P. Hastings) and John Trotte, farmers of the subsidy and ulnage at Boston, 17 Dec. 1445.²

A Vestinden was admt'd. to Lincoln's Inn in 1450, but it is doubtful if this is the M.P. Nothing more is known of him, though *Ralph* Vestenden had a £10 pension granted to him out of Surrey and Sussex, 1461.

VEYSY see VESEY.

VINCENT, ROBERT (1440-1505); of Dover, shipowner. M.P. Dover 1487, 1489-90.

Mayor of Dover, 1476, 1485, 1488, 1489;³ he was one of those Dover ship-owners who were paid for the hire of their vessels to take troops to Calais, 1486;⁴ one of those who, with Giles, lord Daubeney, sued Sir John Bouchier for tenements in Walmer, 1490; had a general pardon, 1501.

A Thomas Vincent (*q.v.*) was M.P. for Wallingford 1478.

VINCENT, THOMAS (1430-98); of Horton, Bucks. Clerk of the Common Bench; lawyer. M.P. Wallingford 1478.

Perhaps s. of William Vincent, a Bucks. elector in 1442.

Pardoned, 16 June 1468, late of London, gent., late of Cholsey, Berks., clerk of the common bench, attorney of the common bench (m.3). An attorney in Glos., Bucks., Berks. and Oxon., employed by the abbots of Cirencester and Reading, on the plea rolls, 1470, 1480, 1490. A Berks. elector when elected for Wallingford, 1478; on gaol delivery at Reading 1489-93; feoffee for Henry Whitehorn's lands in Gosey, Berks., 1496.⁵

D. 1498. Will of Thomas Vincent of Horton, Bucks., dat. 20 Nov., pr. 14 Dec. 1498. To be bur. in ch. of St. Michael, Colbrook, London; many small bequests, including 6*d.* to Deryk Ducheman. Residue to w. Alice, and she sole exix. Supervisors:—John Gregory and Hugh Butler.⁶

VINE (VYNE), RALPH (1467?-1535); of Oxon., and of Ash, Surrey.
M.P. Barnstaple 1491-2.

S. and h. of Thomas Vine (*d.* 1479);⁷ *m.* (1) Anne da. of Thomas Manory of Ash, (2) Rose da. of William Codington of Ewell.⁸

A feoffee with an interest in the Ingoldsthorpe inheritance, 1499;⁸ an assessor concerning offences by persons enjoying the privileges of Oxford University, 1501; on Oxon. comms., 1502, 1513; J.P. Oxon., 1502-22; on the Southwark jury

¹ *Sussex Arch. Coll.* liv. 172. Wiston is near Steyning. ² Fine Roll, 24 Hen. VI (m.20).

³ Statham, *Hist. of Dover*, 166. ⁴ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 494.

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 565. ⁶ P.C.C., 27 Horne.

⁷ *Inq. p.m.* 19 Edw. IV, No. 26—Ralph aged 12. ⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1499), 191.

which tried and condemned the Duke of Buckingham 1521; J.P. Surrey, 6 July 1522 till death; a feoffee for Humphrey Forster of Aldermaston, Berks., Sept. 1532.
D. 1532/40.

VIRTUE, JOHN (1442-98); of Colchester, clothmaker. M.P. Colchester 1484, 1485-6.

Probably s. of John Virtue senior, clothmaker of same (d. 1480/5); m. Jane who rem. John Breton.¹

John Virtue, born at Witham, was admtd. to freedom of Colchester 1463/4. Both father and son were members of the Common Council 1474; and "junior" was one of the two chamberlains that year. Both occur very frequently in local records as clothmakers, 1469-90. By indenture of 14 Feb. 1484 the bailiffs of Colchester granted John Elys and John Vertue jnr. £10 a year commencing Mich. 1484 till £40 had been discharged. It was secured on the "cellar" of the Town Hall and the weights used there for weighing wool as well as on other tolls. Sir Gurney Benham is probably right in considering this a payment of arrears of their Parliament wage.² He and his co-member John Ellis were "clavifers" 1484-5.

Dead by 1499 when John Breton and Jane his wife, late wife of John Virtue, conveyed land.²

VOWELL, RICHARD (1420-85); of Wells. M.P. Wells 1455-6, 1470-1.

Perhaps brother of William Vowell, merchant of Wells M.P. (1410-75).

Richard was on a comn. in Hants in Feb. 1459, and such a man was pardoned, 6 July 1484, "of Stalbridge, Dorset, gent., *alias* executor of will of Jane wife of Christopher Coke" (m.31). There was another Richard Vowell of the next generation (1445-98) M.P. Wells.

VOWELL, RICHARD (1445-98); of Wells; lawyer. M.P. Cricklade 1472-5;³ Wells 1478, 1483 (2), 1483 (3), 1484, 1485-6, 1487.⁴

Perhaps s. of Richard Vowell M.P. (1420-85); m. Margaret, da. of John Fauntleroy and widow of John Jope.⁵

Admitted a freeman of Wells by patrimony in 1467.⁶ Eschr., Soms. and Dorset, 1473-4, 1486-7; mayor of Wells five times between 1473 and 1487;⁷ pardoned, 1472, as of Wells, gent., *alias* of London (which points towards his being a lawyer), and again in 1476. In 1496 he was named as a collr. of subsidy in Somerset.⁸

D. 22 Dec. 1498, when William, aged 21, was s. and h.⁹ Will, dat. 20 Nov. 1498, pr. 16 Feb. 1499. To be bur. St. Cuthbert's, Wells. Wife Margaret sole exix. Son William a witness (P.C.C., 29 Horne).

¹ *Essex Arch. Soc. Trans.* xiii. 104.

² *Ex inf.* Sir Gurney Benham, mainly from Colchester Court Rolls.

³ The name is spelt Vyell and the M.P. may possibly be Richard Vyell of Devon, who died about 1482.

⁴ Wells Convocation Books.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 41/171 (1467/72) Richard Vowell of Soms., gent., and Margaret his wife, da. of John Fauntleroy v. Thomas br. and h. of John Jope, a previous husband of Margaret.

⁶ *Som. Record Soc.* xli, 152.

⁷ Thomas Sorel, *Lecture on the Mayors of Wells from 1317*.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 517. ⁹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 187.

VOWELL, WILLIAM (1410-70); of Wells, merchant. M.P. Wells 1439-40, 1450-1, 1460-1, 1463-5.

Admtd. to freedom of Wells, 1429; pledge for other freemen in 1441 and 1444; by 1451 he was called Master of Wells, and still in 1458.¹ He was a pledge for the Wells M.P.s in 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1453 and 1467; pardoned 6 Nov. 1468, as of Wells, merchant, senior, *alias* gent. That he is called "senior" in 1468 leads one to suppose that the William Vowell who was on the pardon roll of Jan. 1472, and called simply "merchant of Wells", would be his son, as also the William Vowell who occurs in 1476. Richard Vowell, M.P. for Wells 1455-87, was perhaps his son also.

VYNE see VINE.

WAALES see WARLES.

WADHAM, WILLIAM (1456-1522); of Catherston, Dorset.² Lawyer? M.P. Bridport 1491-2.

S. of William Wadham (*d.* 1487), by Jane da. and coh. of William Payne of Catherston; *m.* Elizabeth da. and h. of Stephen Till of Tillhouse, Devon.

He was probably a lawyer and may have entered Lincoln's Inn 1483/4, governor thereof 1500. Certainly he was J.P. Dorset, 17 Oct. 1500 till death; on Dorset comns. 1504-21, including the subsidy comn., apptd. in Parlt. 1504; an exor. of the will of John Wadham, clerk, together with Dame Jane widow of Sir Nicholas Wadham, 1503; as of "Katerston", a feoffee under the will of Sir Richard Pudsey (*q.v.*), 1503;³ joined the Earl of Wilts. and ōrs. in a recognisance, Feb. 1509.⁴

D. 23 Jan. 1522, when John, aged 26, was s. and h.; lands—Catherston and Wootton-FitzPayne, Dorset.⁵

WAGET, RICHARD (1440-94); of Exeter, ? lawyer. M.P. Totnes 1478.

20 Feb. 1486:—Order that there shall be a pesage beam called "the Kinge beme" in the ports of Exeter, Dartmouth, Plymouth and Topsham, distinct from the pesage beam used in the port of Southampton, but the weighing shall be done in the same manner; and grant for life, from Easter next, to Richard Wagot of the keeping of the pesage, paying to the King 10 marks a year.⁶ Wagot and Sayer (*q.v.*) were paid for services and the Mayor drank wine at Wagot's, 1476.⁷ He was admtd. freeman 1473; alive Mich. 1493, and dead Sept. 1495.⁷

WAKE, JOHN (1438-96); of Great Staughton, Hunts., esq. Usher of the Chamber 1484-5. M.P. HUNTINGDONSHIRE 1467-8, 1478. Warwickite.

Yr. s.⁸ of Thomas Wake of Blisworth (1402-58) M.P. by Agnes da. and coh. of Thomas Lovell; *m. c.* 1463 Margaret da. of Sir Lewis John M.P. and widow of Sir William Lucy M.P., *d.* 1460, by whom he had John, *b.* 1466.

J.P. Hunts., 1 Sept. 1456-61, 7 Jan. 1462 to Dec. 1470, 1 Dec. 1478 till death. On Hunts. comns. from 1457 including the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459 (and

¹ *Somerset Rec. Soc.* xlv. 142; Wells City Charters.

² Not William Wadham of Combflory, Som., who *d.* 1505 and left a widow Alice. Catherston and Wootton are near Charmouth. ³ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. 728.

⁴ *L. & P., Hen. VIII*, i. 632 (70).

⁵ *Inq. p.m.* 13 Hen. VIII, Vol. 39, No. 112.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1486), 97.

⁷ *Ex inf.* J. J. Alexander.

⁸ In her will 1480, the lady Elizabeth Wake (born Beauchamp) mentions Agnes mother of her late husband, Thomas Wake.

all those of 1483-4). He soon adhered to the Yorkists—eschr., Cambs. and Hunts., 1461-2; J.P. Cambs., 1463-74. He fought at Barnet, indicted therefor 11 May, indictment rescinded 27 May 1472.¹ In 1480, as John Wake the elder, he was exor. for the will of Elizabeth da. of the Earl of Warwick and widow of George Nevill, lord Latimer (*d.* 1469) and of his bro. Thomas Wake (*d.* 1476).² Sheriff, Cambs. and Hunts., Nov. 1483 to 12 Sept. 1485. While sheriff he took out a pardon, Mar. 1484,³ and as gent. usher of the chamber he had a grant of 10 marks yearly out of Hunts., 16 Oct. 1484. Pardoned again, Dec. 1485.⁴ One can only judge from his J.P.ships that he died *c.* 1496.

WAKE, THOMAS (1402-58); of Blisworth, N'hants., and of Clevedon, Somerset, esq. Squire to Visct. Bouchier, count d'Eu. M.P. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 1433, 1437; SOMERSET 1449 (1).

S. and h. of Thomas Wake of Blisworth (*d.* 1419/21), by Margaret da. of John Philpot of Kent; *m.* by 1431⁵ Agnes (1420-71) da. and coh. of Thomas Lovell of Clevedon,⁶ Som., by Agnes da. and coh. of John Roger of Bryanston, Som.⁵

Elector, N'hants., 1421, 1422, 1423, 1429, 1432. As of Blisworth, squire to Henry Bouchier, count of Ewe, he was heir in 1432 to his gt. grandmother Dame Alice Wake, in part of Dymock, Glos.;⁷ exor. of the will of John Henney of Boston, Lincs., in 1431;⁸ sheriff of N'hants., 1434-5, 1446-7, 1450-1; J.P. N'hants., of the quorum, 20 Aug. 1439 to 20 Nov. 1443, and 9 July 1452 till death; on N'hants. comns. 1438 till 1456, when he is described as "the elder"; pardoned 1446,⁹ 1454, 1458.¹⁰ In Mar. 1449 he had succeeded to Clevedon, Som.; J.P. Somerset, 24 Nov. 1449 till death, and on comns. in Somerset.

D. 10 Dec. 1458, when Thomas Wake, aged 24, was his s. and h.; lands—N'hants., Beds., Bucks., and Clevedon, Somerset. His son Thomas *m.* (2) Elizabeth da. and coh. of Richard Beauchamp, earl of Warwick, and widow of George Nevill, lord Latimer (*d.* 1469). His 2nd s. was John Wake M.P.

WALDEGRAVE, (Sir) WILLIAM (1464-1527); of Smalbridge. Sea-Captain R.N. M.P. SUFFOLK 1495, etc.

S. and h. of Thomas Waldegrave (*d.* 1472) by Elizabeth,¹¹ widow of Sir William Say (*q.v.*).

On the two comns. of array for Suffolk, 1484, and occasionally thereafter; with John Clopton he acquired the wardship and marriage of Geoffrey Gate in 1486; in 1495 he inherited Wenden, Essex, from his mother Elizabeth widow of Sir

¹ Anc. Indicts. K.B. *penes* A. T. Butler, Coll. Arms. ² See note ⁸ on p. 912.

³ Pardon Roll, 1484, as "of Stoughton, esq., *alias* senior, *alias* Usher of the Chamber, *alias* sheriff."

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1485, as esq., *alias* late of Gretingisbury, Hunts., *alias* late sheriff, *alias* late of Blisworth, N'hants.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1431), 157.

⁶ The other coh., Margery, *m.* Sir Edward Hull (*q.v.*). *Northants Families*, V.C.H. 321.

⁷ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1432), 184.

⁸ He held "Bepyng," Lincs. and was J.P. for Kesteven, called "the elder," 26 Feb. 1456 till death.

⁹ Pardon Roll, 1446, as of Clevedon, esq., *alias* late of Blisworth, *alias* late "of Bepyng," Lincs. (m.18).

¹⁰ Pardon Roll, 1458, as of Blisworth, senior.

¹¹ The custody of William s. and h. of Thos. Waldegrave was committed to Ric., duke of Gloucester, 18 May 1472 (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1472, 333).

William Say (*q.v.*), he being then 30 years of age.¹ J.P. Suffolk, 15 Nov. 1496 till death; kntd. at the marriage of Prince Arthur 14 Nov. 1501; exempted from being made sheriff 1504; at Henry VII's funeral; pardoned 1509, as of Smalbridge and Burys, Suff., kn. ; other custodies he had 1501, 1510.² Then he appears in Lord Howard's Navy List, Oct. 1512, as a Captain of soldiers on the *Martynet*,³ and in 1513, with 25 men on the *Great Bark*;⁴ one of the Suffolk noblemen and others, 1520;⁵ at the Field of the Cloth of Gold, attending on the Queen, 1520;⁶ at the meeting with Charles V, 1520;⁷ to attend on the King at his meeting with that emperor at Canterbury, 1522;⁸ sheriff, Norfolk and Suffolk, 1522-3; in the Army beyond the seas, 1523;⁹ subsidy commr., Suffolk, 2 Nov. 1523.

D. 30 June 1527, when George, aged 44, was his s. and h.; lands—Suffolk, Essex, N'hants.¹⁰ Will of Sir William Waldegrave of Smalbridge, dat. 26 Jan. 1524, pr. 6 Mar. 1527.¹¹

WALDERNE, JOHN (1410-64); of London, grocer. M.P. London 1453-4.

M. Margery, da. of Richard Rich of London;¹² she survived him, and in 1471 £25 was owed by Margery, late wife of John Walderne, late of Clare, Suffolk.

In 1439 John Walderne, grocer, obtained the custody of the da. and h. of William Forster, skinner, of London.¹³ He was a juror 1441; auditor of London 1448-50, 1457-9; sheriff 1453-4 (elected while M.P.); alderman from 24 Oct. 1454; master of the Grocers' 1455-6, 1462-3.¹⁴ The King borrowed money off him, and in 1450 he lent more for the defence of Calais. He had a lien on the customs in 1453 to repay money advanced to pay the wages of the Calais garrison;¹⁵ a trustee of the marriage settlement of Elizabeth of York in 1456;¹⁶ pardoned 9 Jan. 1458 as "citizen of London" (m.45); and by Edward IV, 26 Apr. 1464, as alderman and grocer, denizen merchant, and of the staple of Calais.

He held his mansion house of the mayor and corporation at the enormous rent of £20 a year, paid in Feb. and in Sept. 1464; and dying shortly after, his widow and executrix took a lease of it for four years.¹⁷

WALFORD (*alias* SADLER),¹⁸ ROBERT (1395-1453); alderman of Oxford.

M.P. Oxford boro' 1447.

A juror in Oxford in 1428; chamberlain 1429, when he was paid for going to London for advice in the dispute with the Chancellor of the University;¹⁹ bailiff,

¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. p. 425. ² *L. & P.*, *Hen. VIII*, i. p. 281. ³ *ibid.* i. p. 662.

⁴ *ibid.* i. p. 750. ⁵ *ibid.* iii. p. 237. ⁶ *ibid.* iii. p. 245. ⁷ *ibid.* iii. p. 326.

⁸ *ibid.* iii. p. 968. ⁹ *ibid.* iii. No. 3288. ¹⁰ *Inq. p.m.* 19 *Hen. VIII*, Vol. 46, Nos. 35, 44.

¹¹ To be bur. in psh. ch. of St. Mary, within the tomb he has made; 100 masses for his soul. Wife Margery to have her apparell; bequests to sons George, William and Anthony; to s. John Spryng and da. Dorothy Spryng, to da. Elizabeth Waldegrave; to nephew parson Fabyan a book in latin called "*Liber Sentenciarum*." Exors. :—w. Margery and sons George and William. In a codicil, dat. 6 July 1525, he deals with his lands in Suffolk, Essex and N'hants.; his w. to have the manor of Edwardston, N'hants., for her jointure (P.C.C., 29 Porch); see also in full *Test. Vetust.* p. 626.

¹² *Test. Vetusta*, will of Ric. Rich, 299.

¹³ *Letter Book K.* 229.

¹⁴ Beaven, *Aldermen of London*.

¹⁵ *Rot. Parl.* v. 295.

¹⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 27.

¹⁷ *Letter Book L.* pp. 44, 54.

¹⁸ In 1447 Andrew James sued Robert Sadeler, *alias* Walford, of Oxford, for the price of some Gascony wine supplied to him at £5 a tun (*Early Chan. Proc.* 16/615).

¹⁹ *Munimenta Civ. Oxon.* 285.

1436-7; elector, Oxford boro', 1437, 1442; J.P. Oxford, 1444-9; mayor 1444-5; and he is described as alderman in July 1448.

Buried at Oxford, 25 Feb. 1453.¹

WALKER, JOHN (1430-90); of Southampton, merchant, and of London, grocer. Customer 1469-83. M.P. Southampton 1478, (? 1484).

On comn. to arrest mariners for Warwick's fleet, Mar. 1459; and in Hants 1461; sheriff of Southampton 1461-2;² apptd. to take wheat for the Household, Apr. 1463; mayor of Southampton 1466-7;³ granted the office of tronage and pesage in Southampton, 10 Feb. 1469; pardoned, 10 Mar. 1469, as "citizen and grocer of London, *alias* merchant of Southampton, *alias* late bailiff, late mayor, *alias* clerk of the customs in Southampton" (m.4); pardoned, 27 Nov. 1471, as before, but now "late clerk of the customs"; J.P. Southampton in 1474;⁴ M.P. 1478; mayor 1483-4; pardoned, 1 June 1484, as "mayor, late sheriff, late bailiff, *alias* mayor and burgess of Southampton" (m.35). This last *alias* probably means that he was M.P. Southampton 1484.

WALL, JOHN (1465-1526); of Yeovil, Som. M.P. Taunton 1491-2.

There was proved in 1526 the will of John Walle *alias* Hamlyn of Evyll (Yeovil). He mentions his wife Alice, sons John and Robert, da. Gertrude, and other children.⁵ He may be the John Hamlyn who was purveyor of carriage for the household in 1513.⁶

WALLER, JOHN (1445-1515/7); of Speldhurst, Kent. Keeper of Penshurst 1485. M.P. Hindon 1478.

Second s. of Richard Waller of Speldhurst (1395-1462),⁷ and yr. bro. of Richard Waller (1430-71) M.P. for Hindon in 1453; *m.* Jane da. of William Whetenele; ancestor of Edmund Waller.⁷

Comnr. of array, Sussex, 1 May 1484; granted, as King's servant and esq., the office of Keeper of Penshurst with wages, 10 Dec. 1485.⁸ John Waller, junior, of Oldstoke, Hants, presumably his son, occurs in Feb. 1485, 1526,⁹ and must have been born by 1465, which dates the father. Money was owed to John Waller the elder of Groombridge, Kent, 1497; both "elder" and "younger" were feoffees for Sir Richard Guildford in Shorne, Kent, 1506; in Jan. 1503, a servant of John Waller was paid 10s. for bringing a goshawk to Queen Elizabeth.¹⁰ Perhaps eschr. Kent and Mdsx., 1511-2.

D. 1515/7; will, dat. 1 Feb. 1515, pr. 2 June 1517. To be bur. at Spelhurst.¹¹

WALLER, RICHARD (1430-71); of Groombridge, Kent. King's Receiver 1461-4. M.P. Hindon 1453-4 when called "junior". Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Richard Waller of Spelhurst, Kent (1395-1462), Master of the Household to Cardinal Beaufort, bishop of Winchester, by Silvia (Gulby).¹² Richard

¹ Oriel College accounts—*ex inf.* Dr. Salter.

² As sheriff he was sued by a Venetian merchant for imprisoning him to enforce a bargain in cotton (*Early Chan. Proc.* 27/190).

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. p. 403; *Early Chan. Proc.* 43/279.

⁴ *Anc. Indicts.* K.B. (*penes* A. T. Butler, Her. Coll.).

⁵ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 2535 (15).

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1485), 43.

⁷ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*; Berry, *Bucks. Pedigrees*.

⁸ Will, P.C.C., 11 Porch.

⁹ *Privy Purse Expenses of Elizabeth of York*, 86.

¹⁰ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Richard Waller.

¹¹ *Somerset Wills*.

¹² *Dict. Nat. Biog.*; Berry, *Bucks. Pedigrees*.

¹³ Will, P.C.C., 11 Porch.

¹⁴ P.C.C., 31 Holder.

the father was J.P. in Kent and Sussex, and is difficult to distinguish from his son. Richard, senior, was pardoned, 1455,¹ and again in 1458.

Richard junior was on the Kent comn. of array 10 May 1461, and was put by his father into Parlt. for Hindon in 1453, Hindon being one of the bishop of Winchester's boroughs. The Richard Waller who was steward of Downton, 1435-56,² and accounts for the King's lands in Kent, Surrey, Sussex and Hants, 1461-2, may still be the father; but the son accounts for the King's lands in Kent 1462-4;³ pardoned by the Readeption govt., 22 Jan. 1471.⁴

The *Dict. Nat. Biog.* says that our Richard Waller died 21 Aug. 1474; but that cannot well be reconciled with the following:—Pardon Roll, 1 Dec. 1471, "William Est, yeoman, administrator of the goods, etc., of Richard Waller, receiver of royal lands in Kent, Surrey, Sussex and Hants., who died intestate, *alias* Richard Waller, receiver of Middleton and Merden, *alias* Richard Waller, administrator of the goods, etc., of Richard Waller, *alias* Richard Waller s. and h. of Richard Waller late of Groombridge, Kent, gent." It would seem that our Richard must have died between Jan. and Dec. 1471 intestate, and if so he probably fell at Barnet or Tewkesbury.

His yr. bro. John *d.* 1517 and was ancestor of the poet and the general. His sis. Alice *m.* Sir John Guildford M.P.⁵

WALLOP, JOHN (1425-86); of Farleigh-Wallop, esq. M.P. HAMPSHIRE 1472-5.

S. and h. of Thomas Wallop (M.P. Hants, dead by 1428)⁶ by Mary da. and h. of Nicholas de Valoignes of Cliddesden and Farley; *m.* Jane, da. of Nicholas Holt of "Colrich", Hants, and from their son Stephen descend the Earls of Portsmouth.

Sheriff, Hants, 1454-5, 1460-1; J.P. Hants, 30 Jan. 1456 to 18 Dec. 1458, 8 July 1461 to 21 Apr. 1466, 10 June 1468 to 18 Dec. 1470, 12 July 1474 to 10 Nov. 1475; elector, Hants, 1447, 1478; on various comns. in Hants 1454 to 1473. In the Pardon Rolls of 1458, 1462 and 1468 he is described as of Farley or "Farley Mortimer". In 1463 he was apptd. to apportion the subsidy in Hants.⁷ He was assaulted, as of Mattingley-Heckfield, Hants, in Sept. 1468.⁸ Between 1465 and 1470 John Wallop and Jane his wife sued feoffees for land in Isle of Wight, late of Thomas Chamberlain.⁹

D. 10 Sept. 1486, when Richard, aged 30, was s. and h.¹⁰

WALROND, THOMAS (1415-80); of Childrey, Berks. Lawyer. M.P. Devizes 1449 (1); Marlborough 1449-50; Shaftesbury 1450-1; BERKSHIRE 1467-8. Yorkist.

¹ "As of Speldhurst, Kent, *alias* of Groombridge, late Sheriff of Kent, Surrey and Sussex, late treasurer of the subsidy voted in Parliament 1449-50 (m.26).

² Pipe Rolls of Bp. of Winchester (P.R.O.).

³ *Enrolled Accts.*, F. 8 Edward IV. P.

⁴ "As of Groombridge, esq., administrator of the goods of Richard Waller, one of the administrators of the goods of James Fenys esq., *alias* Richard Waller son of Richard Waller, esq., executor of the will of Henry, Cardinal of England, *alias* late receiver of the manors of Middleton and Merdon."

⁵ See note ¹² on p. 915.

⁶ Thomas was s. and h. of John Wallop of Over Wallop, Hants.

⁷ Fine Roll, 3 Edward IV (m.19).

⁸ Anc. Indicts. K.B. (*penes* A. T. Butler, Her. Coll.).

⁹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 32/40.

¹⁰ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. 186, 187. He was returned as holding Aldington Manor, Wilts., and Farleigh Mortimer manor, Hants.

His mother Elizabeth was the heiress of Childrey, Berks. ; he *m.* Alice da. of Nicholas Englefield of Rycote, Oxon.¹

Walrond of Childrey was a mainpurnor for Stephen Forster, 1440 ; a feoffee in Hants, 1442. In Jan. 1447, Richard Quartermaine (*q.v.*) and Walrond had licence to enfeof trustees in Drayton and Clopham, Hants, Jan. 1447. He is probably the "Wallerowne" who was arrested with the Duke of Gloucester at Bury in Feb. 1447.² He was granted the keeping of Cherhill manor, Wilts., Dec. 1450 ;³ elector, Wilts., 1450 ; elector, Oxon., 1460 ; a comnr. at Dartmouth, in Wilts., in Berks., and Oxon., 1450 to 1473 ; J.P. Oxford town, 24 Nov. 1459 to 30 Nov. 1472 ; J.P. Berks., of the quorum, 11 Dec. 1459 till 14 Nov. 1470, and 12 June 1471 till death. He sued feoffees to uses for a messuage and lands in Corfe-Moleyns, Devon, 1475/80 ;⁴ was a feoffee of Carlton, Cambs., for Sir William Finderne, 1478 ; and in the same year he sued for Childrey, Berks., as s. and h. of Elizabeth, da. and h. of Elizabeth, da. and h. of Isabel Frethorn.⁵

D. shortly before 4 Oct. 1480, when writs *diem clausit* were issued to the eschrs. of Wilts. and Berks.⁶

WALROND, WILLIAM (1440-1501) ; of Langridge *j.u.* M.P. Calne 1478.

Perhaps a s. of Thomas Walrond M.P. (1415-80) ; *m.* a da. and coh. of William Cricklade of Cadenham and probably had with her Langridge, Wilts.⁷

A William Walrond was on the Berks. comn. of array, Dec. 1459 ; perhaps a feoffee in Devon 1489.⁸

D. 1501 ; will, dat. 8 Aug., pr. 1 Oct. 1501. To be bur. in St. Mary's chapel at Monkton-Farley. Bequest to bro. Walter Walrond. Residue to wife Maud and she sole exix. (P.C.C., 13 Blamyr).

WALSALL (WOLLASHULL), THOMAS ; of Worcester. M.P. Worcester city 1442.

Robert Walshale of Worcester, mercer, was outlawed for forgery in 1438, and in Feb. 1450 both William Walshale and Thomas Walshale are in the list of those to be tried at Worcester. William was an elector at Worcester 1427, 1431. Here is at least enough to fix Thomas Walshale as a citizen of Worcester.

WALTER, THOMAS (1410-65) ; of Canterbury. Yeoman of the Crown 1452-61. M.P. Bletchingley 1447 ; Canterbury 1449 (1), 1453-4. Yorkist.

"Pardoned" for being out with Cade, 1450 ; and on comns. in Kent that same year. He was also put on a comn. dealing with the building of Eton College in 1452 and therefore, probably, already a yeoman of the crown. He was a "rebel" in Kent (*i.e.* a Yorkist) in Nov. 1452, and his arrest was again ordered in 1458. But he was pardoned all arrears and debts as "of Westminster, *alias* of Canterbury, yeoman of the Crown" in Apr. 1459. The Yorkist govt. employed him ; ordered him to arrest and imprison Henry Coventry and others, Jan. 1461 ;

¹ Dunlop, *Pedigree of Fetiplace*. But in 1473 Thomas son of John Walrond, and Agnes his wife, sued Thomas Temple for the detention of deeds of land in Ellesborough, Bucks. (*Early Chan. Proc.* 50/185).

² *English Chronicle*, 117. ³ Fine Roll, 29 Hen. VI (m.29).

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 56/55

⁵ *Geneal. N.S.* xx. 32.

⁶ Fine Roll, 20 Edw. IV (m.14).

⁷ *Ex inf.* G. M. Young of Oare.

⁸ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 265.

and he was the tenant of the Earl of Warwick at Maunden in 1460/5. With the other servants of the late King he was pardoned, 16 Feb. 1462.¹ In 1464 he was an exor. of the will of Richard Wynstone of Faversham, Kent.

WALTER, WILLIAM (1390-1450); of Salisbury. M.P. Old Sarum 1447.

Perhaps s. and h. of William Walter, mayor of Salisbury in 1403. In 1451/2 William Walters is to be prayed for as a benefactor of Salisbury.²

WALTON, GEORGE. M.P. Carlisle 1447.

Mr. Hornyold-Strickland says that he is certainly not a Westmorland man; but he cannot trace him in the numerous Walton families of Lancashire, and he is possibly of the family of Wauton of Cliffe, Yorks.

WALTON, THOMAS; of Hythe? M.P. Hythe 1487.

Probably not the King's serjeant-at-arms, of Windsor, who *d.* 1508. For that man was son of Nicholas Walton, yeoman of the crown, and had lands in Berks. and Bucks. Hythe usually returned local men, and *William* Walton was M.P. for Hythe in 1455-6.

WALTON, WILLIAM; of Hythe, corn and pig dealer. M.P. Hythe 1455-6.

He occurs in the Hythe accounts as buying corn and pigs. With Robert Christian, but named first, he was elected 19 June 1455, and his Parlt. wages were to be 2s. a day if in London, extra if elsewhere, as paid to Thomas Stace and Thomas Honeywood.³ Thomas Walton, M.P. Hythe 1487, will be of the same family.

WALWEYN (*not* ONWEYN), MALCOLM (1415-68/70); of Ledbury. M.P. HEREFORDSHIRE 1453-4.

Perhaps son of Malcolm Walweyn of the same, eschr. Heref., 1425-9.⁴

Eschr. of Heref. and the marches 1450-1 and 1466-7.⁵ He was sued, *c.* 1455, for having taken silver plate from Richard Mayne's servant by a false token.⁶ In 1457/60 the prebendary of Burton, Heref., sued Maclyn Walweyn of Ledbury for intrusion on houses and land belonging to the prebend in Colwalt.⁷ J.P. Heref., 8 June 1463 till death. As late eschr. of the county, Malcolm Walweyn esq. was pardoned all arrears, 10 June 1468.

To judge from his comms. he died 10 June 1468/6 Dec. 1470. He held land also in Eastnor, Gatley and Farley, Heref., and left daughters who were his coheireses.

WALWORTH, JOHN (1450-96); of Ipswich, clerk of the peace. M.P. Ipswich 1472-5, 1483 (Oct.),⁸ 1487.⁹

Probably s. of John Walworth sen., bailiff of Ipswich 1471-2 (*d.* 1488).

A feoffee in Suffolk, 1477; comnr. gaol delivery, Ipswich, 1488. When elected

¹ As "of Westminster, yeoman, *alias* late of Canterbury, gent., *alias* late one of the Yeoman of the Crown" (m.40).

² Benson & Hatcher, *Old and New Sarum*. 133.

³ Hythe Accounts, E.94, *per* Miss E. Scroggs.

⁴ The Walweyns of Stoke Edith and Much Marcle were a Herefordshire county family at this time, frequently electors for the county, but no Malcolm occurs in the pedigree.

⁵ Fine Roll, 6 Edw. IV (m.6).

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/498.

⁷ *ibid.* 6/145.

⁸ Nathl. Bacon, *Annals of Ipswich*, 149.

⁹ *ibid.* 157.

in 1472 he was allowed 3s. 4d. a week as his wage, but in 1483 this was increased to 1s.¹ a day. In each case his partner was paid more. Eschr., Suffolk, 1486; clerk of the peace, Ipswich, 1486-96.¹

He probably died in 1496 when he ceased to be clerk of the peace.

WANTENOR, RICHARD (1425-90/1); of Shrewsbury. M.P. Shrewsbury 1484.

S. of John Wantenor, a family which took its name from Wentnor;² m. Alice da. of Thomas Mytton M.P.

Admtd. to his freedom 1448 as son of John, and he had then "no issue." Bailiff of Shrewsbury 1471, 1483, 1487. The Shrewsbury accounts for 1484/5 include 20s. 1d. in part payment of their debt at Parliament to Richard Wantenor.³ He was dead by 1491 when his exors. paid £6 to the "benevolence" of that year.²

WARBLETON (WARBLYNGTON), WILLIAM (1385⁴-1469); of Sherfield, Hants; of Warbleton, Sussex, and of Besselsleigh, Berks. M.P. HAMPSHIRE 1425, 1426, 1429-30; BERKSHIRE 1431; HAMPSHIRE 1445-6, 1450-1.

S. and h. of Thomas Warbleton of the same, dead in 1406, by Catherine, da. and h. of John —; ⁴ m. (1) Julia by whom, Margaret; (2) by 1429 Margaret (Hannys) (d. 1484) widow of Piers Besilles.⁵

Sheriff of Hants 1411-2; sued the Bp. of Chichester for the next presentation to the church of Warbleton, 1413, as son of Thomas, son of John, son of John Warbleton;⁶ served in Henry V's retinue at Agincourt; sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1427-8; a feoffee for Brocas of Beaurepair, Hants, 1429.⁷ In 1431 he claimed a reward for the capture at Abingdon of Jack Sharpe, lollard, for which eminent service he was paid £20.⁸ J.P. Berks., 5 Oct. 1431 to 13 Feb. 1448; J.P. Hants, 27 Apr. 1431 to 10 Nov. 1435, and 18 Dec. 1442 to 18 Dec. 1458; on Hants comms. 1435 to Jan. 1458; and Berks. 1436 and 1449; sworn to the peace in both Hants and Berks. in 1434—a man of such note that the Lydd Corporation paid 6s. 8d. to the minstrels of William Warbelton in 1435. He was pardoned for entering on Warbleton without licence and granting the same to Sir John Pelham in 1442; and he was pardoned 1446 as of Sherfeld, Hants; again sheriff of Hants, 1450-1, pricked while M.P. He and his wife, Margery, were owed £100 in 1451; and, called King's Squire, he was made constable of Odiham in the same year. But this grant was made to him in lieu of 32 qrs. of salt issued yearly to the manor of Warbleton from the alien priory of Hoo, and was surrendered in Apr. 1452.

In Mar. 1457 he got back the constablenesship of Odiham with £6 16s. 0d. a year, and he was pardoned 1452 and 1458;⁹ on the same 1458 Roll appear also Warbleton and Margery his wife, Thomas Uvedale, Thomas Besyles and Henry Puttenham, his feoffees, as tenants of the manor of Sherfield (m.25). With Margery his wife, he recovered £120 damages from Thomas Chalkley of Clanfield, Oxon., May 1458; exempted from all offices, 24 Nov. 1458; pardoned May 1462, as of

¹ Nathl. Bacon, *Annals of Ipswich*, *passim*. ² *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman.

³ Owen & Blakeway, *Shrewsbury*, i. 548.

⁴ He was sued as s. and h. of Thomas and Catherine, da. and h. of John, in 1406 (*Geneal. N.S.* xv. 148; xvi. 45). ⁵ Dunlop, *Pedigree of Fetiplace*; *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1430), 63.

⁶ *Geneal. N.S.* xvi. 91-92. ⁷ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1429), 26. ⁸ Ellis, *Original Letters*, ii. 103.

⁹ As of Sherfeld, Hants, esq., *alias* late of Besyleslye, Berks., *alias* late Sheriff of Surrey, Sussex, and Hants. (m.28).

Sherfeld, Hants, *alias* of Besileslee, Berks., esq.; and again 8 Oct. 1468, when Sherfeld is described as "on Loudon" (m.24).

D. 4 Jan. 1469, when Henry Puttenham, aged 60, Margery wife of David Brecknock, and William son of Agnes Sculle, aged 30, were his collateral heirs. Will, dat. 10 July 1461, pr. 5 Dec. 1469. To be buried in St. James' Priory, Tandridge, Surrey. Margaret, his wife, to be sole executrix (P.C.C., 29 Godyn).

WARD (WARDE), JOHN (1405-65); of Dover. M.P. Dover 1439-40, 1442 (while mayor).

In 1439/40 he was paid for being at the Parliaments at Westminster and Reading; in 1440 they still owed him £7 13s. 4d. for the last Parliament. Mayor of Dover, 1441 and 1442.¹ In 1446 he was paid 26s. 8d. for his expenses at the Queen's coronation in the preceding year. A jurat in 1452/3, 1457/8 and 1462, but not in 1467 or later. Therefore he may be supposed to have died about 1465.

WARD, JOHN (1405-61); of Newcastle, shipowner. M.P. Newcastle-on-Tyne 1450-1.

Sheriff of Newcastle 1446-7; mayor 1449; elector, 1449 (2), 1450 when elected. In June 1450 he was commissioned to bring two ships from Newcastle to London freighted with coal to burn the mortar for building Eton College; the same year he was complaining of piracy. He was commissioned frequently to deal with this semi-legitimate business. He founded the Almshouses in Manors Char, and died in 1461. Will, dat. 24 June 1461, provides for masses at All Hallows, Newcastle.²

WARD, JOHN (1425-80); ald. of London, mercer. M.P. London 1467-8.

Pardoned as citizen and mercer of London, Aug. 1455, and 13 Jan. 1458; with Jane his wife, he was owed money by her receiver, 9 Oct. 1460; a feoffee for John Bamme (*q.v.*) Apr. 1461. Apptd. to receive and hear the bills to be presented in Parlt. on behalf of the city and guilds, 1463;³ to attend the Chief Butler at the Queen's coronation, May 1465;⁴ alderman, 1468-76 (nominated but not elected 1465);⁵ pardoned as mercer and merchant, Aug. 1468, and as mercer, alderman and merchant in 1471/2. Sheriff of London 1470-1; auditor 1472-4; exonerated from the aldermanry, 1476.⁶

WARD, JOHN (1430-1501); ald. of London, grocer. M.P. London 1478, 1485-6, 1495.

Born at Hinxworth, Herts., perhaps son of John Warde of London, pepperer, by Agnes;⁷ *m.* Isabel.

Auditor of London, 1475-7; alderman, 1478 till death; sheriff of London, 1479-80; five times master of the Grocers' Co., 1479-99;⁸ apptd. to talk over the city's business in the coming Parlt. with the newly elected city members, Dec. 1482.⁹ When Henry Tudor's invasion was expected, the mayor and aldermen accused Ward of continually delaying his return to the city for its defence. He

¹ J. Bavington Jones, *Annals of Dover*, p. 290. ² *Ex inf.* Dr. C. Hunter Blair.

³ Jor. 7, fo. 21. It is just possible that John Warde, *Grocer*, was appointed, and not the mercer, but highly improbable, as the grocer was not assigned civic duties so early.

⁴ Jor. 7, fo. 98. ⁵ *ibid.*, fo. 100d.

⁶ Jor. 8, fo. 126d. *ex inf.* Miss Winifred Jay.

⁷ R. R. Sharpe, *Hustings Wills*, ii. 144-5.

⁸ Beaven, *Aldermen of London*, ii. 15.

⁹ Jor. 9, fo. 12.

was to return under penalty of £500.¹ He was one of those apptd. to ride to meet and welcome the victor of Bosworth.² Mayor of London, Sept. to Oct. 1485, during the sickness.³ Pardoned, 10 June 1488, alderman and grocer, late mayor, *alias* tenant of lands which were of John Rokeley, late serjeant of the bakery of Edward IV (m.24). At court for the reception to Lord Querdes, the French ambassador, 1492; exonerated from liability to serve as mayor, for which he gave 50 lbs. of lead for the new water supply, 1493;⁴ apptd. by the Common Council to wait upon the King and Council, 1496;⁵ comnr. of sewers, 1499.⁶

D. Apr. 1501; will, dat. 2 Apr. 1501, pr. 4 May 1501.⁷

WARD, THOMAS (1415-69); of Prittlewell, Essex. Yeoman of the Ewery 1447; keeper of Cranborne 1447; ? lawyer. M.P. Wootton Bassett 1447.

S. of John Ward of Lincs.; but all a very doubtful identification.

Admtd. to Lincoln's Inn in 1436. The forestership of "Batels Bayly" in Windsor forest, and the pannage and custody of Cranborne chase were granted in July 1447 to the King's servant Thomas Ward, yeoman of the ewery, to hold himself or by deputy with 1*d.* a day. A Thomas Ward, yeoman of the crown, was sent to Hereford in Dec. 1461,⁸ which may or may not be the same man.

D. 1469. Will, dat. 3 July, pr. 12 Oct. 1469. Bequests to Agnes his w., and to Juliana Johnson and Ellen Hylle, his sisters. His father is referred to as John Warde of Lincolnshire. Exix. :—his w. Agnes (P.C.C., 28 Godyn).

WARD (WARDE), WILLIAM (1420-90); of Bridgwater. M.P. Bridport 1450-1; Bridgwater 1453-4.

On 3 July 1453 Warde was made controller of customs in Bridgwater. In 1454 the Bridgwater boro' accounts include a payment of 40s. to Mauncell and Warde, burgesses of the town to Parlt. He was on a Dorset inquest, 1464. In May and again in Dec. 1474 he was commissioned to get bows and arrows made in Somerset; and he may actually have served in the expedition to France, for a William Warde was paid a shilling a day, and for 35 men called "mangonerers" (workers of mangonels) at 6*d.* a day—£84 3*s.* 6*d.*⁹ In 1487/8 William Warde was a legatee at Stanton-Drew, Somerset.¹⁰ The name is not found in the Bridport records.

¹ Jor. 9, fo. 78d.

² Jor. 9, fo. 84.

³ After two mayors and six aldermen had died in one week (*London & the Kingdom*, R. R. Sharpe, i. 327), Jor. 9, fo. 88. ⁴ Jor. 10, fo. 17. ⁵ Jor. 10, fo. 79d. ⁶ Rep. i. fo. 49.

⁷ To be bur. in cloisters of St. Paul's beside w. Isabel. *Inter alia* 3 priests to sing for Master More in St. Paul's for 20 years, £40 for marrying poor maidens, £10 to repair Henxworth ch. "where I was born," £10 for a new bay window in Grocers' Hall—more to charity and the church than in any other will. A new hall to be built for his bro. Robert Warde at Henxworth. "To Anne, that was my child, if she fortune to marry, 5 marks to pray for my soul." Rings and gown to (*inter alia*) Henry Frowyk s. of my lady Frowyk, Thomas Frowyk, s. of Thomas Frowyk, serjt.-at-law. £100 to bro. Thomas Warde for his children's marriages; £40 for the same to his bro. Robert; £40 when 25 to Richard s. of his bro. George Warde and £20 to Richard's sis. Ellen; and to other relations. To his master Sir Thomas Lovell knt., a little standing cup, and to his w. an ounce of fine gold for a ring. Residue two-thirds to Richard s. of George Warde and heirs, one-third to Thomas and Robert Warde and heirs. Exors. :—Thomas Frowyk, serjt.-at-law, William Holybrand of London, gent., my bro.-in-law, and Thomas Warde, his bro., cit. and mercer of London. Overseer :—William Purches, ald. of London (Cant. Cath. Lib. Reg. F. ff. 78-80).

⁸ Issue Roll, No. 824.

⁹ *Foedera*, V. iii. 57.

¹⁰ Somerset Wills.

WARINGS, NICHOLAS (1415-80); of the Lea by Wolverhampton, esq.; customer. M.P. STAFFORDSHIRE 1461-2.

Perhaps s. of William Waring of Wolverhampton (*d.* 1444).¹

Such a man was joined with the Duke of Buckingham as a feoffee for uses, 1448; in 1457 he was rioting at Enville, Staffs. He was pardoned "of Lee, Staffs., esq." together with his wife, Clemence, Apr. 1458. J.P. Staffs., 8 July 1460 to 4 Dec. 1470, 8 July 1471 to 10 Nov. 1475. But he was connected also with Bristol by 1471;² appointed controller of customs there, 10 Nov. 1475, to act in person, and by 1480 he was dead intestate and John Bagot of Bristol (*q.v.*) was administering his goods.³ From 1484 onwards a Ralph Waring takes his place in Staffs.⁴

WARLES (WAALES), WILLIAM (1410-75); ald. of Lynn. M.P. Lynn 1469.

Admitted freeman 1429/30; alderman 1462/3; elected 8 Sept. 1469, but Parlt. was not held; mayor 1473. *Temp.* Edw. IV, William Wale, probably the same man, was feoffee for Sir Roger Townshend *q.v.* in Suffolk.⁵

WARNER, JOHN (1415-58); of Footscray, esq. King's Squire. M.P. KENT 1449-50. Lancastrian.

He was on Kentish comns. 1449 to 1457; elector, Kent, 1449 (1); J.P. Kent, 24 Dec. 1450 till death. £40 was owed to John Warner esq. in 1453. In Nov. 1454 the list of the King's reduced Household included John Warner among the 11 squires of attendance.⁶ He was pardoned, 6 Jan. 1458, as "of Fortyscray, Kent, esq." (m.30).

D., to judge from his comns. of the peace, May/Dec. 1458.

WARNER, THOMAS (1430-78); of London, saddler and ironmonger. M.P. Wareham 1472-5.

Perhaps s. of William Warner of Poole, mentioned in the pardon roll of 1437 (m.26). *M. Jane.*⁷

Between 1455 and 1457 a Thomas Warner, late under-bailiff of Odiham, Hants, and añr. sued the exors. of John Bugge, treasurer of Queen Jane, concerning goods seized for the said Queen's use at "Graywell", Hants. On 20 June 1461 he was granted 2 acres of land at Weybridge at a rent of 6s. 8d., and there, as citizen and ironmonger of London, he was granted permission to make a wharf, Oct. 1463; exempted from resumption, 1464.⁸ It may be he who in 1465 was commissioned with John Swerder to take workmen for the mint at Norwich. There is a bond dated 28 Jan. 1478 by Thomas Warner, citizen and sadler of London, to Thomas Cornish of the same for 100 marks.⁹

D. 1478. Will, dat. 26 June, date of proof not given. To be bur. St. Andrews, Baynard castle. Gifts to Weybridge, Surrey, and Shepherds, Leics. Jane his w. exix. Overseer, Richard Langport (P.C.C., 35 Wattys).

WARRE, RICHARD (1422-82); of Hestercombe, Som. M.P. WILTSHIRE 1449-50.

¹ Will, pr. in P.C.C.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1471), 224.

³ *Staffs. Colls.* vi. N.S., 128.

⁴ *ibid.* 1917, 247.

⁵ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.* i. p. 485.

⁶ *Privy Coun. Proc.*

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 15/62.

⁸ *Rot. Parl.* v. 529.

⁹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 304.

S. and h. of Robert Warre (*d.* 1465), by Christine, sister of Sir Richard Hankford of Annery, Devon;¹ *m.* Jane, da. of John, lord Stourton. The pardon roll, 20 Apr. 1494, includes this Jane as widow and executrix of the squire of Hestercombe.

Warre was owed 40s. in Somerset, 1452; sheriff, Somerset and Dorset, 1452-3, 1457-8; pardoned, 20 Apr. 1458, as "late of Kyton, Som., esq."; pardoned outlawry for not appearing in 1465 as of "Hastercombe"; on Somerset comns., June 1470 and 1473; pardoned, 30 Nov. 1471, as "of Estecoombe, Somerset, esq., s. and h. of Robert Warre, deceased".

D. 25 Nov. 1482, when Richard Warre of "Thyrplegh" was his cousin and heir. Lands—Wilts., Somerset, Dorset, Devon.

WARREN, THOMAS (1430-95); ? lawyer. M.P. Bedwin 1478; Marlborough 1491-2.

Son, perhaps, of that Thomas Waryn junior who was attorney for William Rouse in Wilts. in 1429.²

Pardoned, 11 Aug. 1455, as "of Broke, I. of W., late of Woking, Surrey, esq., late of London, gent." (*m.* 33); and again with the same description, 23 Jan. 1458. He was acting as attorney for Thomas Tropenell (*q.v.*) in Wilts. in 1465.³ In 1486 he was receiver of Buckingham's lands in Wilts. and Hants, and accounts for the issues.⁴

WARREN, WILLIAM (1440-1500/1); of Hythe, weaver. M.P. Hythe 1483 (June),⁵ 1483 (Nov.),⁶ 1484.⁷

A freeman of Hythe.⁸ In 1480/1 Warren and Henry Harman were wardens of the goods and chattels of the chapel of St. Leonards at Hythe.⁹ He was paid 30s. on the Hythe accounts for attending the great council of 1488.¹⁰

D. 1500/1; will, dat. 7 Aug. 1500, pr. at Canterbury 6 Oct. 1501.¹¹

WARREN, WILLIAM (1455-1506); of Dover. M.P. Dover 1489-90, 1491-2, 1495, 1497.

He was master of the *Margaret* of Hythe when comsnd. to oversee the "wafters" at Hythe, 1488; one of those confederates of Giles, lord Daubeney (*q.v.*) who were suing Sir John Bouchier and Richard Lytelton (*q.v.*) for tenements in Walmer, etc., 1490;¹² mayor of Dover 1493.¹³

D. 1506; will, dat. 4 Sept. 1506, pr. at Canterbury, no date.¹⁴

¹ *Somerset Arch. Soc.*, per Miss Bates-Harbin. ² *Tropenell Cart.* i. 317. ³ *ibid.* ii. 163.

⁴ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 569. ⁵ Elected 8 June, but never rode forth, as no Parl. was held.

⁶ Elected 19 Oct. 1483 (Hythe Accts. G.93, f. 28d). ⁷ Elected 4 Jan. 1484 (*ibid.*).

⁸ George Wilks, *Parl. Rep. of Hythe*, 50. ⁹ *Hist. MSS. Com.* iv. 432.

¹⁰ Hythe Accts. Vol. A, 91, f. 27d.

¹¹ To be bur. in St. Leonard's churchyard next to wife. His 2 houses to be sold and proceeds divided between sons John and Matthew and das. Beatrice and Margaret. To s. John my "brode lome"; to John Myddleton my servant a "lynnyn lome" with 3 slays, one of 700, one of 600, and one of 500. Residue divided between his children. Exors. — John Waren and William Gemyn (Cant. Prob. Reg. C. vii. ff. 2-2d).

¹² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1490), 326.

¹³ Statham, *Hist. of Dover*, 166.

¹⁴ To be bur. in St. Peter's, Dover. £400 for repair of that church. Wife "to reward those servants who have been with me a long time." Lands in Dover and within the marches of Calais to w. Jane for life, reversion to s. John and heirs, remainders to cousin Robert Weltden (*q.v.*) and Mary his w. and heirs, charged with £4 a year to the Messindue (? Maison Dieu) of Dover for an *obit*, and to his right heirs. Residue to w. Jane and s. John and they exors. Supervisors: — Mr. John Crafford (*q.v.*) and Robert Weltden (Cant. Prob. Reg. C. ix. ff. 104-105d).

WASKHAM, ROBERT (1410-65); of Bradford, Somerset. M.P. Portsmouth 1450-1, 1453-4, (? 1455-6).

Waskham was pardoned outlawry for not appearing and called "of Bradford, Somerset" in 1438. In 1454 he and his colleague Henry Uvedale, "burgesses at the Parliament of the lord King, *prout allocari consuevit, in annis predictis*, were paid 3s. 4d."¹ He was on a Hampshire commission in Sept. 1457.

WASKHAM, THOMAS. M.P. Portsmouth 1455-6.

This is probably an error for Robert Waskham M.P. Nothing has been discovered of any Thomas.

WASTENEYS, JOHN (1400-59); of Hedon, Notts. M.P. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1450-1, 1455-6.

Perhaps s. of William Wasteneys of Hedon who *d.* 1420/1;² *m.* Jane da. of a Bussine of Lincs. and had issue Robert.³

Witnessed a S. Leverton deed 1428;⁴ sheriff, Notts. and Derbys., 1441-2, 1456-7; eschr. 1450-1; elector, Notts., 1425, 1426, 1432, 1447, 1449 (2), 1453. J.P. Notts., 20 Nov. 1458 till death. On Notts. comms. 1455-8; pardoned, 4 Feb. 1458, as "of Hedon, Notts., esq." (*m.* 35).

D. shortly before 2 Sept. 1459 when his widow was veiled.⁵

WATER, JOHN ATTE. M.P. Shrewsbury 1463-5.

Perhaps the John Water *alias* Walter, Chester Herald, who was pardoned July 1471—or perhaps not.

WATER (WATYR), WILLIAM ATTE. M.P. Appleby 1450-1.

Mr. Hornyold-Strickland can trace no connection between such a man and Cumberland or Westmorland, but in Jan. 1471 William Water was made bailiff of Cookham and Bray for life by the Readeption government.

WATER see ATTWATER.

WATERMAN, JOHN (1450-93/4); of Andover, Hants? M.P. Hastings 1487, 1491-2.

In 1476/7 Romney paid 3*d.* for wine given to John Waterman and another servant of the Lieut. of Dover.⁶ He was trespassing against Nicholas Rigby of Bodiam, Sussex, 1487.⁷ Perhaps he is the man of Andover who *d.* 1493/4; will, dat. 31 Mar. 1493, pr. 24 Oct. 1494. To be bur. in cemetery of St. Mary's, Andover, next to his w. Bequests to Jack Waterman, and to bro. Robert Waterman, and to John atte Welle, s. of Richard atte Welle, to wife Isabel and her da. Cristine Lake. Exor. and Overseer—Brother John.

WATERTON, RICHARD (1405-80); of Great Corringham, Lincs. M.P. LINCOLNSHIRE 1449 (1); and somewhere, probably LINCOLNSHIRE 1463-5. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of John Waterton of the same, dead in 1417;⁸ *m.* 1435, Constance, da. and h. of Sir William Assenhull by Jane, da. of Sir John de Burgh, with whom

¹ *Ex inf.* H. Chitty from Winchester College Archives.

² *Cal. Inq. p.m.* iv. p. 49.

³ *Visitn. Notts.* p. 68.

⁴ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1431), 164.

⁵ *Test. Ebor.* iii. 335.

⁶ *Hist. MSS. Comm.* v. 546.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1487), 184.

⁸ But a Robert Waterton of Westburgh, Lincs., *d.* 1425; s. and h. Robert, *b.* 1409 (*Inq. p.m.* 3 Hen. VI).

he had Walton and Cawthorne, Yorks. They had Robert Waterton and daughters Eufemia and Jane.¹

In 1428 Richard Waterton held Corringham as appears by the manor court rolls. As son of John Waterton he was pardoned all debts, 2 May 1431. Pardoned 21 July 1437; exempted from holding any office, including M.P., 1443; but J.P. Lindsey, 24 Mar. 1447 to 1461; elector, Lincs., 1442, 1447, 1453, 1460. In 1453 he was one of those to whom the custody of Newstead Priory was committed. Sheriff, Lincs., 1453-4, 1457-8; summoned to the great council for Lindsey, Apr. 1455; and, as a Lancastrian, pardoned Oct. 1455, and again Jan. 1458, with the added *alias* "late of Stowe". Evidently he was closely allied with both Lords Cromwell and Welles. He was Cromwell's feoffee in 1454 and again in 1457 and 1459. In 1465 he is referred to as a feoffee of Leo, lord Welles. He did not, however, fall at Loosecoat Field in 1469.

D. early in 1480, and his Inq. *p.m.* was held 27 Mar. 1480.

WATKINS, JOHN (1405-70); of Stoke-Hammond, Bucks. Exeter's servant.

M.P. Liskeard 1453-4; Wootton Bassett 1459.

In 1430 John Watkins of Stoke-Hammond, gent., and John Cheyne of Drayton were complainants in a suit. He was sworn to the peace in Bucks. in 1434; on a comn. dealing with King's Langley in 1438; pardoned, as of Stoke-Hammond, gent., for his outlawry in Somerset in 1448; on a gaol delivery comn. in 1450. In 1457 Sir Robert Vere (*q.v.*) was chamberlain to Henry, duke of Exeter, and Watkins was the Duke's receiver in Devon.² He was one of the founders of a chantry at Thornton, Bucks., in July 1468. It is curious that he never appears on the Pardon Rolls; perhaps he appears there as Walters or Watts and was missed.

WATTS, RICHARD (1470-1516); of London, draper. M.P. Bodmin 1504.

The now vanished Bodmin Accounts show 13s. 4d. paid to him and John Smith as burgesses to Parlt., 1504.³ As the records have gone we cannot say if he was a local man or this London draper.

With other merchants of London Richard Watts had licence to export wool from London, Southampton or Sandwich, 11 Oct. 1504, and again with Thomas Watts and William Fitzherbert, 9 Dec. 1509,⁴ when styled draper of London. He was paid for boat hire in shipping 500 tuns of beer from London to the King's array at Berwick, 11s., 27 Oct. 1513.⁵

D. 1516. Will pr. 13 Oct. 1516. To be bur. in St. Edmunds, London. To children £30 apiece. Wife exix.; John Garrard, overseer (P.C.C., 23 Holden).

WATYR see WATER.

WEBB (WEBBIS), BENNETT (1450-1508); of Sandwich. M.P. Sandwich 1495.

He was exor. of Piers Jurdan, and suing feoffees to uses for a messuage in Walmer, 1475/85;⁶ mayor of Sandwich 1488-9. He went with William Salmon to the Privy Council on business connected with the harbour, Sept. 1493; elected

¹ *Yorks. Arch. Journals*, xxx. 348, 391-3.

³ *Lysons, Magna Britannia*.

⁵ *ibid.* i. 2401.

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 305.

⁴ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 357 (1).

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 66/101.

to Parlt. 11 Sept. 1495, "to defend against all things projected against the liberties of the ports."¹ There was clamour against Webbes by some of the commons concerning money paid to him for cutting a "horse-shoe" (*i.e.* ditch), which he had not done; but he was able to show to whom the money had been delivered and how it had gone to the repairs of Woodnesborough Gate. Sworn a jurat 3 or 22 Dec. 1495.¹

D. 1508. Will, dat. 28 Mar. 1508, pr. at Canterbury. To be bur. in St. Mary's, Sandwich. Bequests to da. Alice, to w. Katherine, to sons John and Thomas. Mentions the Manor of East Court in Gillingham which he had inherited from his uncle John Grenested (*Test. Vetust.* 3, 429).

WEBB (*alias* KELLOW), WILLIAM (1465-1523); of Salisbury, mercer. M.P. Salisbury 1504, 1510.

Comnr. of subsidy in Salisbury, apptd. by Parlt., 1496;² mayor of Salisbury 1511, 1513, 1522.

D. 1523; will, of William Kellowe *alias* Webbe of Salisbury, mercer—dat. 13 July, pr. 14 Aug. 1523.³

WEBBELEY see WEOBLEY.

WEEKS (WYKES), JOHN (1420-89); of Bindon in Axmouth. Customer of Poole 1454-71; lawyer. M.P. Lyme 1455-6, 1472-5.

He was a lawyer of Lincoln's Inn—"colgaderer" 1445-6; pardoned vacations 1468/9. In Nov. 1454 he was appointed controller of customs and subsidy in Poole, and the grant was renewed in Nov. 1455. He was pardoned, 12 Jan. 1458, as "of Byndon, Devon", and in the same roll "of Devon, gent., *alias* controller of customs at Poole" (m.27). The roll of 12 May 1462 combines the two descriptions (m.20), and so does that of 25 Nov. 1468 (m.14). In 1458/9 John Wykes, controller of customs at Poole, sued the mayor and bailiffs of Melcombe *re* goods arrested for customs due to the King.⁴ The tenants of Weymouth were granted £100 in Jan. 1467 to be paid them from the customs of Poole by the hands of Wyke and Richard Haynes (*q.v.*), collectors. Wyke is "late collector of customs at Poole" in the pardon roll of 12 Oct. 1473, but perhaps that was while he was M.P. In Feb. 1485 it is John Wyke of Exeter, late of London, gent., *alias* late of Southsele, Devon, who is pardoned (m.1), and in Feb. 1488 John Wyke of Bindon occurs among the pardoned feoffees of John Neuburg, senior (m.3).

D. 20 Mar. 1489, when John, aged 46, was his s and h. Lands—nil in Somerset, Charborough in Dorset.⁵ It may be the John Wyke (*b.* 1442) who was paid as a squire of the body in Nov. 1468 and Oct. 1478.⁶

¹ Sandwich records, *per* Miss E. Scroggs.

² *Rot. Parl.* vi. 518.

³ To be bur. in St. Thomas, Salisbury, under marble he lately bought, "whereunder lyeth Jane, Edith and Jane my wives." *Id.* to any woman or child that comes to his burying. 6s. 8d. to par. ch. of West Lavington to be put on the beed roll. To s. and h. William, the place where he lives. To Margaret Morgan, da. of his w. Edith, £40; bequests to Thomas Morgan, Margaret's brother, a scholar at Oxford, and to Thomas Morgan another bro., tailor in London. To Robert Longe (*q.v.*), Edith his wife's s., of Whaddon, the debt he owes. To his bro. Walter Long (*q.v.*) of Steeple Ashton £5. To s.-in-law John Stone £5; to s.-in-law Thomas of Pole £10 and they exors. :—Cecily Whight his da., w. of Thomas de la Pole supervisor (P.C.C., 12 Bodfelde).

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/573.

⁵ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 473, 474. Southzele is on the Okehampton-Exeter road.

⁶ Issue Rolls, 8 Edw. IV, No. 841; 18 Edw. IV, No. 848.

WEEKS (WYKES), WILLIAM (1425-85); of Moreton-Jeffries, Heref., gent.¹

M.P. Leominster 1449 (1), 1449-50; Hereford city 1472-5.

Elector, Heref., 1450, 1453 and 1478; in June 1480 he was pardoned for not appearing in connection with a debt to the Dean of St. Paul's, June 1480, and is then described as "of Moreton-Jeffrey, gent." A feoffee for Sir Walter Devereux, lord Ferrers (*q.v.*), in Jan. 1481.

WELBY, RICHARD (1415-65); of Moulton, Lincs. Lawyer. M.P. LINCOLNSHIRE 1450-1.

S. and h. of Richard Welby of the same M.P. (1385-1455) by his wife Grace; *m.* ? (2) Janet, supposed to be da. of John Rochford of Rochford, Essex, and had Richard Welby M.P. (1440-87).²

J.P. Holland, called junior, 20 Mar. 1444 till death, always of the quorum; pardoned, 3 Sept. 1452, as "of Multon, Lincs., chapman *alias* gent." (*m.11*); on Lincs. comns. from 1455 to 1462, including the Lancastrian comn. of array in Dec. 1459. He was not removed from the bench in 1461, was a comnr. of sewers 1462, and was added to the bench for Kesteven also in Aug. 1464.

D. Aug. 1465. Will, dat. 2 Aug., pr. at Sleaford castle by his widow Jane 12 Aug. 1465.³ A chest with two locks to be set in Croyland Abbey—Abbot to have one key and his exors. the other; and the yearly overplus of his estate to be put in the chest till his children are of age. He mentions his sons Richard, Morys (to be "founde" at London), John, Thomas (a priest), William, Robert, Roger. Exors. :—his w. Janet, his bro. Dom John Welby, his s. Richard and Dom Robert Swete.³

WELBY, RICHARD (1440-87); of Moulton, Lincs.; Receiver of the Honour of Richmond 1477-87. M.P. LINCOLNSHIRE 1472-5 (and ? 1483, 1484, 1485).

S. and h. of Richard Welby of the same M.P. (1415-65), by Janet (Rochford); *m.* (1) Elizabeth Calthorpe, (2) Jane (*d.* 1495)⁴ widow of William Haddon, merchant of the Staple.

J.P. Holland from 4 Feb. 1466 to 26 Nov. 1470, and from 21 Aug. 1471 till death; but not on the comn. issued during the Readeption of Henry VI. Sheriff, Lincs., 11 Apr. to 9 Nov. 1471, 4 Nov. 1487 till death. From 1467 served on various comns. in Lincs. On 4 Feb. 1472, as late sheriff of Lincs., he received a general pardon. In the 1474 session of the Parliament his petition and that of Jane his wife and William Dunthorne, Common Clerk of London, regarding the will of William Haddon, draper, former husband of Jane, was granted.⁵ About the same time he and Jane were suing Haddon's factor at Bilbao on account of the factor's misconduct.⁶ On 2 Mar. 1478 he was made receiver general of the Honour of Richmond in Lincs., and reapptd. 14 June 1486. On 16 July 1480 on account of an advance of £400 to the King he received a grant to export wool for three years uncoketted, and on 16 Aug. 1486 this grant was continued until the debt

¹ He must not be confounded with William Wyke one of the King's Minstrels, who occurs 1447-62.

² *Ex inf.* the late Canon Foster.

⁴ Will, P.C.C. (30 Vox), pr. 1495.

⁶ *Early Chan. Proc.* 66/98.

³ *Lincoln Diocese Muniments.*

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 110.

should have been paid. He is mentioned as serving on comns. during the reign of Richard III. Pardoned, 1486.¹

D. at the end of 1487. Will, dat. 12 Nov. 1487, pr. 1488. To be bur. Croyland Abbey. Masses for souls of wives Elizabeth and Jane, for parents, for brothers Maurice and "Sir" John. W. Jane to have £100. Bequests for repairing and mending drains, gates and highways of Multon and Weston.² Arms:—Sable, a fess between 3 fleurs de lys, argent.

WELFORD, JOHN (1415-90); of St. Owen's, Hereford. Lawyer. M.P. Hereford city 1447, 1449 (1), 1453-4, 1460-1. Yorkist.

S. and h. of John Welford of the same (an attorney in 1439), by Jane; m. (1) Isabel, (2) Margaret.

John Welford and Isabel his wife, late Isabel Hawkins, were exors. of the will of Thomas Hore of Heref., 1445. In Oct. 1449 John Welford, then mayor, was party to the borough indenture of return, and also a county elector; mayor, 1449-50, 1472-3;³ a mainpernor in Hereford, 1454. In 1456/60 Welford sued William Monyton, the feoffee of Isabel his wife, for lands in Hereford, 1456/60;⁴ an elector, Hereford, 1450, 1467, 1472; J.P. Heref., of the quorum, 24 June 1458 to 1470, and 24 Feb. 1473 to 7 June 1476; on Heref. comns., Aug. 1460 onwards. As a Yorkist he was one of those directed to arrest Barre and FitzHarry (*qq.v.*), Aug. 1460; founded a chantry at Lugwardine to pray for the souls of Devereux, Brugge, as well as for himself and Isabel, his wife, Dec. 1461; J.P. Glos., 24 Feb. 1473 to 12 May 1474. It will be noted that he was taken off the bench in Herefordshire during the Readeption, *i.e.* still a Yorkist. A county elector 1478; named first among the XII of the city that same year.⁵

D. Mar. 1490; will of John Welford of St. Owen's, Hereford, dat. 7 Mar., pr. 15 Mar. 1490.⁶

WELLE, THOMAS (1420-97); of Eastleigh, Hants; lawyer. M.P. Bedwin 1442, 1449 (1), 1449-50; Downton 1453-4; HAMPSHIRE 1455-6; Downton 1467-8.

M. Margaret Weston, niece and ultimate h. of Thomas de Wintershul of Eastleigh, Hants.

On comns., Hants and Wilts., from 1448 to 1487; pardoned Aug. 1452; deputy steward for the bishop, 1453, wherefore he sat for Downton;⁷ a mainpernor for the abbess of Romsey, 1457;⁸ a justice of gaol delivery at Wallingford, Sept. 1460; and in 1468 on the *o. et t. comn.*; J.P. Hants, of the quorum, 10 Jan.

¹ 26 Jan. 1486 of Multin, Lincs., esq., *alias* gent., late of Holbech, Lincs., *alias* late of Halstede, *alias* late of London, *alias* late Receiver of Honour of Richmond in Lincs. (m.4).

² P.C.C., 17 Milles.

³ John Duncumb, *Hist. and Antiq. of County of Hereford*.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/138.

⁵ Hereford City records at Hereford.

⁶ To be bur. in Hereford Cathedral next to Isabel his w. Masses for his parents, John and Jane, and for his wives, Isabel and Margaret. Bequest to his s. Richard. Exors.:—John and Ralf Lexington, his s. Richard, Philip Lesman, his curate, Dom John Lexington and Thomas Smith, chaplain (P.C.C., 38 Milles).

⁷ Pipe Rolls of Bp. of Winchester (P.R.O.).

⁸ On 16 Nov. 1457 the keeping of the manor of Steeple Ashton, Wilts., was granted to Matilda, Abbess of Romsey, on the mainprise of Michael Skilling (*q.v.*) and Thomas Welle of Twyford, Hants (Fine Rolls, 36 Hen. VI, m.6).

1468 to 1492. In 1469 the Salisbury corpn. paid Thomas Walles "the lawyer" 40s. for his counsel;¹ on the Readeption comn. 27 Oct. 1470.

D. (if this be the man) shortly before 21 Oct. 1497 when a mandate was issued to the eschr. of Oxon.²

WELLES, JOHN. ? Doctor of laws. M.P. Huntingdon boro' 1453-4.

As he is not to be found in the Huntingdon records, one may suppose that he is John Wells, doctor of laws, who occurs in 1452. But that gets one no further.³

WELLES, JOHN (1455-1510); King's servt. 1489-1510. M.P. Bodmin 1491-2.

Perhaps the Essex eschr. 1478, who *m.* by 1487 Elizabeth da. and h. of Thomas Coggeshall of Sandon, Essex.⁴

Grant in surv. to John Daliland and the King's servant, John Welles, of two messuages by St. Martin's le Grand, during the Earl of Northumberland's minority, 1489; on gaol delivery at Windsor 1506; the successors of Daliland and Welles, as warders of the guild of Holy Trinity, New Windsor, were pardoned 1513,⁵ when Welles may be supposed to be dead. It may be his son, it cannot be the man himself, who was a yeoman of the guard 1511-2, and bow-bearer of the Galtres forest 1512-23.

WELLES, RICHARD (1450-1505); from Westmorland. M.P. Appleby 1491-2.

Two closes in the barony of Graystock were appropriated by Richard Welles and Gilbert Scott.⁶ Therefore he probably came from the neighbourhood. He may well be the Richard Welles, late of Calais, gent., pardoned 1489. Perhaps *d.* 1505.⁷

WELLES, WILLIAM (1435-87); ald. of York, vintner. M.P. York city 1483 June.

Sheriff of York 1467 (Mich.) to '68; mayor 1479;⁸ alderman from 1482.⁹ In 1482/5, while alderman, he sued William Scauseby, merchant of York, for debt.¹⁰ He was one of the four returned in May 1483 for the Parlt. and coronation of Edward V, riding with 200 horsemen to London to support the Duke of Gloucester against the Queen.¹¹ During Buckingham's rising Welles was a captain of soldiers at York,¹² and during Richard III's subsequent visit to York he subscribed £10 for the present.¹³ During the rising of Lambert Simnell in early 1487 Henry VII wrote to the citizens of York asking them "to kepe due watch and warde for the suretie" of the city. The Council apptd. proper persons to be wardens of the

¹ Benson & Hatcher, *Old and New Sarum*, 172.

² Fine Rolls, 13 Hen. VII (m.1); *ibid.* 18 Hen. VII (m.4).

³ One may, however, refer to a pardon of 18 Mar. 1473:—John Wells of Maksey, N'hants., esq., *alias* s. of Margaret, duchess of Somerset, *alias* late of Gaynespark in Thydon-Garmon, Essex, *alias* late of London. Though hopeful and scandalous, yet reference to G.E.C. proves the gentleman to have been John, lord Welles, *b.* 1448!

⁴ Not John Welles, the Norwich alderman 1477-95; nor of Hoarcross, Staffs., 1502-14; nor the John Welles of Kingston, Surrey, with a wife Emma, *d.* 1499.

⁵ *L. & P., Hen. VIII*, i. 1803 (2 m.4).

⁶ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 245.

⁷ Will of Richard Welles of London, pr. in P.C.C., 1505 (41 Holgrave).

⁸ Drake, *Eboracum*, 363.

⁹ Davies, *York Records*, 121.

¹⁰ *Early Chan. Proc.* 67/53.

¹¹ Davies, *op. cit.* 151.

¹² *ibid.* 155.

¹³ *ibid.*

six wards. During the time of this special warding, ald. William Welles, ex mayor and warden or captain of the watch at Bootham Bar, was "stricken to deth" by John Robson, milner, a disloyal citizen.¹

WELLESBORNE, JOHN (1405-65); of Wycombe; Yeoman of the Crown 1445-60. M.P. Wycombe 1447, 1449 (1).

S. and h. of John Wellesborne, M.P. Wycombe (*d.* 1422/5); *m.*, prob. in 1437,² Cecily, who survived him; son Thomas M.P. (1440-85).

Elector, Wycombe, 1425, 1426, 1427, 1429, 1431, 1432, 1433, 1435, 1437, 1442, 1450, 1453—*i.e.* whenever not elected. As of Wycombe, he was a feoffee of Amersham, 1430;³ he was dealing with lands in Little Missenden, Bucks., in 1435. Styled "junior", he was a feoffee for Edmund Hampden in Nov. 1442; eschr., Oxon. and Berks., 1444-5; a party to a lease in Wycombe 1446. As King's servant, yeoman of the crown, he was granted a pension of 6*d.* a day out of the issues of Oxon. and Berks., Oct. 1445, which was exempted from resumption 1449/50, and he was still one of the 23 yeomen of the crown in the King's Household in 1454; again exempted 1455, and he had livery of clothes as yeomen of the crown in 1456 and 1459. He survived the revolution, and was suing as an executor of Margaret, widow of John Hulys, for land in Chipping Wycombe in 1461.⁴

D. 1465; will, dat. 6 Sept. 1465, pr. 10 Feb. 1466. To be bur. in St. Mary's, Woolnoth. He leaves everything to Cecily, his wife, and Thomas, his son, and they to be exors. (P.C.C., 12 Godyn).

WELLESBORNE, THOMAS (1440-84/5); of Chipping Wycombe. Yeoman of the Chamber 1476-80; Keeper of Woodstock 1476-80. M.P. Wycombe 1478.

S. and h. of John Wellesborne M.P. (1405-65).

During the Readeption John Barantyne of Haseley, Oxon., and Thomas Wellesborne of Chipping Wycombe, gent., were pledges for John More to whom the temporalities of the abbey of Godstow were committed.⁵ He must have supported the Readeption for his arrest was ordered, 4 June 1471; pardoned 24 Dec. 1471;⁶ one of those to give seisin of Clewer, Berks., Mar. 1476;⁷ yeoman of the chamber by 3 Dec. 1476, when made keeper of Woodstock at 4*d.* a day,⁸ and yeoman of the crown on 12 June 1477 when the keeping of land in Shipton-under-Wychwood was granted to him.⁹ Eschr., Bucks. and Beds., 1478-80. John Fox took his place as keeper of Woodstock in Mar. 1480. Richard III pardoned him, 27 Jan. 1484,¹⁰ and Henry VII pardoned Giles Wellesborne of Wycombe, gent., 16 May 1486, who may be his son, which may indicate his death.

WELTDEN, RICHARD (1425-80); of Newcastle. Servt. to Geo. Nevill, abp. of York. Lawyer. M.P. Newcastle-on-Tyne 1450-1, 1467-8.

He is called "the younger" in the 1450 Return—cannot therefore be the Richard Weltden, servant of the great wardrobe 1430-50, who was given the office

¹ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from the York Corporation Minutes, vi. fo. 98b.

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 160.

³ *Cal. Cl. Rolls* (1430), 43.

⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/300.

⁵ Fine Roll, 49 Hen. VI (m.2).

⁶ As late of Chipping Wycombe, yeoman, *alias* of Rickmansworth, Herts.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii, p. 430. ⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1476), 603. ⁹ Fine Roll, 17 Edw. IV (m.9).

¹⁰ As "late of Wycombe, gent., late eschr., *alias* of Blechenden, Oxon." (m.3).

of tronage and pesage in Newcastle in 1450.¹ The "elder" and the "younger" were commissioned to press ships and mariners in the Tyne, 30 Apr. 1451, so that he was probably son "of the Wardrobe".²

Pardoned, 1 Nov. 1455, as Richard Weltden of Newcastle, gent. (m.16); J.P. Nhd., of the quorum, 10 Dec. 1455 to 25 June 1460. In 1463 with Elizabeth his wife, heiress of John and Jane Oliver, he sued the feoffees of the late Sir John Fastolf for lands in Southwark and Rochester.³ In 1456/69 with Elizabeth, his wife, widow of Richard Langham, he sued for the manor of Langham, Suffolk.⁴ In 1475/80 the abbot of Thame, Oxon., sued Richard Weltden, servant to the late archbp. of York, concerning a corrody which had been paid to Weltden since 1461.⁵ We think all these references are to the M.P.; but there certainly was an almost contemporary Richard son of Simon Weltden,⁶ and a Simon certainly was an elector in Newcastle and Nhd. 1447 to 1467, which puts his son too late to have been M.P. in 1450.

WELTDEN, THOMAS (1408-70); of Newcastle and of Thornhaugh. Controller of Customs. M.P. NORTHUMBERLAND 1460-1.

S. and h. of Simon Weltden of same, M.P. Newcastle 1426, by Elizabeth da. of Thomas Middleton; m. c. Jan. 1424 Margaret da. of William Garnet; succeeded by his son Simon.⁷

Elector, Nhd., 1449 (2), 1467; sheriff Nhd. 1446-7; escheator 1450. Controller of customs in Newcastle, 19 Nov. 1450; reappointed 27 May 1461; on comms. 1451, 1455.

WELYWROUGHT, THOMAS (1405-75); of Colyford, Devon; lawyer. Servt. to the Earl of Devon. M.P. Plymouth 1449-50.

He was made, jointly with the Earl of Devon, keeper of the lands of Sir William Bodrugan in Cornwall, 1442; a feoffee for the earl of Devon in 1442, and was acting as attorney for him in 1445; pardoned 1452, as "of Colyford, Devon". He was still alive in Jan. 1471, and still acting as a feoffee for the Courtenays.

WENLOCK, Sir JOHN (1400-71), K.G.; of Sommaries, Beds. (Lord Wenlock 1461.) Constable of Bamboro' 1447-50; Chief Butler 1460-8; Lieutenant of Calais 1469-70; soldier. M.P. BEDFORDSHIRE 1433, 1437, 1439-40, 1447, 1449 (1), 1455-6 (SPEAKER), (? 1460). Sumnd. 1461-2, 1463-5, 1467-8, 1469, 1470-1.

S. of William Wenlock, M.P. Beds. 1404, by Margaret Breton, heiress of Houghton-Conquest, Beds.; m. (1) Elizabeth (d. c. 1461), da. and coh. of Sir John Drayton (d. 1417) of Kempston, Beds.; (2) Agnes, or Alice,⁸ widow of Sir John Fray, Chief Baron. She survived him and re-married Sir John Say, another Speaker, and d. 1478.

¹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 188; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1446), 395; *ibid.* (1452), 28; *ibid.* (1450), 418.

² But Dr. Hunter Blair thinks he was second s. of Simon Waltden by Elizabeth da. of Thomas Middleton.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 29/277.

⁴ *ibid.* 26/351.

⁵ *ibid.* 67/134.

⁶ *ibid.* 29/287.

⁷ *Northumberland Co. History*, x. pp. 327-9.

⁸ The Lancastrian Pardon Roll of 4 Jan. 1471 includes John Wenlock, knt., and "Alice", his wife; but the will of 1478 is that of Lady "Annes" Say. She leaves money for masses for all three husbands—a Chief Baron and two Speakers, but they are not referred to as Speakers.

He took part in the invasion of France, and had a grant of land at Gisors, 16 Aug. 1421; constable of Vernon by Apr. 1422; back in England, Jan. 1433, when he witnessed a Beds. deed.¹ But he returned to France after Parlt. rose, for he accounts for his mission to France 1433/4.² Pardoned with Elizabeth his wife, June 1437, as "bro. and h. of Thomas Wenlock" (m.15); eschr., Beds. and Bucks., 1438-9; overseas on embassies for the King, July and Nov. 1441;³ with the Duke of York in France 1442, and one of the embassy empowered to treat for peace with France, Sept. 1442.⁴ Sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1444-5; pardoned, 1446; entered the service of the Queen, first as her usher, then as Chamberlain; constable of Bamburgh 1447; kntd. 1447/8; laid the first stone of Queen's college, Cambridge, 15 Apr. 1448; elector, Beds., 1449 (1) when elected to Parlt.

He was wounded at St. Albans, May 1455, fighting on the Lancastrian side, but when elected to the Parlt. called shortly afterwards he was chosen as Speaker, and was thenceforth Yorkist. He was pardoned Mar. 1458, as of Sommereys, Beds., kn., *alias* late of London (m.30); sent to Mons in Nov. 1458 on a marriage project between the houses of York and Burgundy; returned thence with Warwick and was present at Ludford, whence he escaped with Salisbury "in a little ship" to Calais. The Parlt. of 1459 attainted him. He took part in the raid on Sandwich, and the march on London, where, with Salisbury and Cobham, he enforced the surrender of the Tower, 19 July 1460. Chief Butler 1460-8.⁵ He may have sat in the 1460 Parlt. for Beds., but he was not again Speaker. He was with the Earl of March in Ludlow when the Duke of York was killed at Wakefield; helped at the victory at Mortimer's Cross, 4 Feb. 1461; shared the march on London,⁶ and was elected K.G., 8 Feb. 1461. He commanded the rearward at Ferry Bridge on the 28, and survived Towton, 29 Mar. 1461. On 1 May he was summoned to the Lords as Lord Wenlock, with a seat on the council.

In Nov. 1461 he became governor to the infant da. of the Duke of Norfolk. In Dec. 1462 he was besieging Dunstanboro, and was made governor of Bamborough. He was repeatedly on embassies—to Burgundy, Oct. 1462; to St. Omer, July 1463; to Louis XI, Mar. 1466; in Picardy again in Feb. 1469, and negotiating with the Hanse towns in May. By this time he was Warwick's lieutenant in Calais, but he kept Warwick out of Calais when Warwick and Clarence fled after Loosecoat Field. Soon after, however, he went over to Warwick,⁷ and joined him in Paris. He landed with Queen Margaret at Weymouth, and fell at Tewkesbury, 4 May 1471 at the age of 71.⁸ Some say that the Duke of Somerset killed him to prevent fresh treachery.

WENNINGTON (WELYNTON) (*alias* CANE), ROBERT (1410-65); of Dartmouth; Sea-captain and pirate. M.P. Dartmouth 1449 (1), 1449-50.

Some would make him come from Winnington, Ches., and be connected with

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 268.

² *Enr. Accts.* F. 21 Hen. VI, N.

³ *Exchq. Accts.*, various.

⁴ *Foedera*, V. i. 115.

⁵ He accounts as Chief Butler 39 Hen. VI-8 Ed. IV (Butlerage Accts.).

⁶ His cook, John Bishop, remained in London and led the men of London in the looting of the convoy destined for Queen Margaret's army after St. Albans battle (*Gregory's Chronicle*—Camden Soc. 1876, p. 214).

⁷ Philip de Commines gives a long account of his doings at Calais (ed. Dupont. iii. 201, etc.).

⁸ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir John Wenlock.

Thomas Daniel ; but in view of his *alias* (Caen) this seems unlikely ;¹ *m.* by 1443, Jane, perhaps da. and prob. h. of William Monfort.²

In Sept. 1437 he was one of the shipowners of Dartmouth bound in £6 to pay the customs and subsidies there on 1 Nov. 1437 ;² a witness at Dartmouth, May 1438, 1440 ;² in 1439 a comn. was issued to John Pole and Wennington to enquire into whose hands had come the tackle and cargo of a carack of Venice, cast away in a storm near Dartmouth, and to restore the same to the owners. He was selling a Spanish prize *la Marye* in Jan. 1443 ;² in 1443/4 he was sued for failure to bring an answer to a letter sent by the King to the duke of Brittany, demanding restoration of goods taken by Bretons on the *Michael* of Dartmouth.³ He had taken a French ship, sailing under letters of safe conduct in 1445, beating and slaying some ; but as "merchant of Dartmouth", he was pardoned, 1446 (*m.*43). Bailiff of Dartmouth 1445-6 ; mayor 1447-8, 1456-7.²

In desperate straits over the French war, the Govt. turned to Wennington, the business man, Apr. 1449. He was given charge of the fleet and bound to serve the King at sea "for cleansing of the same and rebuking of the robbers and pirates thereof".⁴ The use he made of the fleet was not propitious ; he fell in with 100 sail—Hanse, Dutch and Flemish—all friendly flags, sailing with salt from the Bay of Bourgneuf. He captured them all, and, as he wrote to Daniel, "had brought them all within Wight."⁵ The Govt. could neither prevent nor punish the outrage, though his arrest was ordered, 28 July 1450, for the minor offence of imprisoning and coercing Walter Rendel (*q.v.*).⁶ But in May 1451, at last, Govt. had to pay £4,666 to the duke of Burgundy for damage done to Dutch and Flemish shipping by Robert "Caen".⁷ The Pardon Roll of 4 Jan. 1458 makes it quite clear that "Caen" was the *alias* of Wennington ; and this gives us good evidence as to who killed the earl of Suffolk. It was in May 1450, when the duke of Exeter was Lord High Admiral and Wennington commanded the Fleet, that, according to French accounts Suffolk was waylaid at sea by a pirate in *Nicholas of the Tower* and summarily executed, his head being struck off over the gunwale. They give the christian name of the pirate as Robert and say that he came from Caen.⁷ So the identification of the murderer as Robert Wennington, the Vice Admiral of England, is probably correct. He obtained a pardon in 1452 as plain "merchant of Dartmouth", and in 1458 as "Robert Wennington of Dartmouth, merchant, *alias* mariner, *alias* Robert Cane, merchant *alias* shipman" (*m.*34). With Robert Gambon he was made receiver of dues in Exeter and Dartmouth, 1 Apr. 1455 ; mayor again 1456-7.

If his complicity in Suffolk's murder was known to the Yorkists, it was approved of, and on 10 Feb. 1462 he was granted for life a £10 pension from the customs of Exeter and Dartmouth.

He was dead by 1466, when his widow, Jane, signed a bond.⁸

WENTWORTH, Sir HENRY (1447-99); of Nettlestead, Suff., and of Pontefract,⁹

¹ *Cheshire Visitr.* 252.

² Watkin, *Dartmouth* (Devon Assoc. Trans. 1935).

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 15/52.

⁴ Stevenson, *L. & P.* i. 489.

⁵ *Paston Letters*, i. 84-6.

⁶ *Devon, Issues*, Easter, 29 Hen. VI.

⁷ Ramsay, *Lancaster and York*, ii. 121.

⁸ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, C. 146/1081 ; to which is appended a clear impression of a seal.

⁹ 22 Oct. 1494 ; licence to curate of Escrick to marry in the chapel of the manor house of Deighton, Sir Henry Wentworth of Pontefract, knt. and Lady Elizabeth Scrope of Deighton (*Test. Ebor.* iv. 341).

Yorks. Sq. of the Household 1468-85; knt. of the Body 1489-99. M.P. (? SUFFOLK 1484); YORKSHIRE 1491-2.

S. and h. of Sir Philip Wentworth M.P. (1424-64) by Mary (Clifford); *m.* (1) by Feb. 1484 Anne da. of Sir John Say the Speaker, (2) 1494¹ Elizabeth da. of John Nevill, Marquess Montagu, and widow of Thomas, lord Scrope of Masham.²

He and his uncle Henry were pardoned, 1 Apr. 1462, restored to his father's lands by Parlt. 1464.³ When next pardoned—30 July 1468—he was “esquire of the Household”. After the Readeption he was pardoned, 4 Dec. 1471, as of Nettlestead, and of Goxhill, Lincs. He went in the King's army to France in 1475⁴ with 4 men-at-arms and 24 archers; kntd. 18 Jan. 1478; Suff. elector 1478. His grandmother Margery, lady Roos, *d.* 1478, and he had livery of her lands, being then 30 years old. J.P. Suff., 27 Mar. 1480 to Aug. 1485; sheriff, Norf. and Suff., 1481-2; as King's servant to Richard III he obtained a £5 pension out of Suff., 1484; pardoned, Mar. 1484, wherein he is called tenant of Gt. Limburgh (Gt. Limber) and Pointon (Ponton), Lincs., of Chatham and Kingston, Kent, as well as of Nettlestede, Suff., and Parlington, Yorks., *alias* of London—so that he was perhaps M.P. in 1484.

The Lancastrian record of his family ensured favour and office after Bosworth; J.P. Suff., 8 July 1486, Cumbd. and Yorks., 1489, all till death; had a £100 annuity as knt. of the body and grant of the stewardship of Knaresboro, constable of that castle, 24 June 1489;⁵ sheriff, Yorks., 1489-90, 1 May to 26 Nov. 1492. He raised men against Warbeck in Yorks.,⁶ and *d.* Aug. 1499. Will, dat. 17 Aug. 1499, pr. 27 Feb. 1501. To be bur. at the pleasure of Almighty God. Bequests to das. Jane and Dorothy; to his w. Elizabeth, lady Scrope, and she residuary legatee; bequests to sons Richard and Edward. Exors.:—w. Elizabeth, Henry Tey knt., Robert Crayn esq. (P.C.C., 20 Moone). Bur. in Newhouse Abbey.²

WENTWORTH, Sir PHILIP (1424-64); of Nettlestead, King's Serjeant 1446-50; Squire of the Body 1449-52; King's Carver 1452-60. M.P. SUFFOLK 1447, 1449 (1), 1453-4, 1459. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Roger Wentworth of North Elmsall, Yorks. (*d.* 1452), by Margaret, widow of John, lord Roos (1396-1421), and da. and h. of Sir Philip Despencer of Nettlestead, Suffolk; *m.* Mary, da. of John, lord Clifford (1388-1422) by a da. of “Hotspur”.

In 1446, already a King's serjeant, he was granted various moneys seized by him on wool exported without licence. In Feb. 1447, immediately after the Parlt. at Bury where Gloucester died, Wentworth (usher of the chamber) had a grant of Gloucester's house at Ashingdon, Essex; also, jointly with Sir Edward Hull (*q.v.*), other forfeited lands, and a yearly grant of wine. In June the King's serjeants, Wentworth and Nicholas Ellis, were made surveyors of customs in Hull; sheriff, Norf. and Suff., 1447-8; squire of the body by Feb. 1449;⁷ made steward of Feckenham, Worcs., June 1449; J.P. Suffolk, 13 May 1449 to 1461; on all the Lancastrian comms. for Suffolk from 1449 to May 1460; and exempted from resumption, as squire of the body, 1449-50. Constable of Llanstefan castle, May 1450; kntd. 1450/2; on comms. in Lincs., Kent, Bucks., and the Midlands,

¹ See note ⁹ on p. 933. ² *Comp. Peer.* iv. 292. ³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 548. ⁴ *Foedera*, V. iii. 57.

⁵ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 454. He was assisting Howard, earl of Surrey, from Knaresboro after the troubles in the North 1489.

⁶ Gairdner, *L. & P. Hen. VII*, i. 112.

⁷ Issue Rolls, 773, 788, 791.

1452-3, rallying the Lancastrian cause; he and Richard Tunstall (*q.v.*) were paid £100 at the Exchq.—reward for services—2 Nov. 1452;¹ King's carver by 1454.²

He bore the royal standard at the first battle of St. Albans, where his bro.-in-law was slain (22 May 1455). The Pastons allege that he cast the standard down, fled the field, and took refuge in Suffolk. But he was pardoned, Oct. 1455, and exempted in the subsequent Parlt. He was sent on an embassy to Scotland in 1457,³ and in Aug. 1457 the earl of Worcester, Fleming the King's chaplain, and Sir Philip Wentworth, "the King's Household servants", were sent as the King's orators and special messengers to offer the King's obedience to the Pope⁴—sent, too, to the Diet of Mantua when summoned by the Pope, for which he was paid 20s. a day for six months. He sat in the Coventry Parlt., and petitioned there concerning the Fastolf wardship.⁵ On the same occasion sheriff, Norf. and Suff., 1459-60, and steward of the honor of Clare, forfeited by the Duke of York. As late as 17 June 1460 he was receiving grants of custodies.

He survived Northampton, and fought at Towton, 28 Mar. 1461, for which he was attainted; escaped to Scotland, and in Nov. 1462 he was holding Dunstanborough for Queen Margaret, with Sir Richard Tunstall and (Cardinal) Morton. They surrendered, 26 Dec. 1462.⁶ Again he rejoined Margaret, and was at the battle of Hexham, 14 May 1464, where he was taken. He was beheaded at Middleham castle, 18 May 1464.⁷

WENTWORTH, (Sir) ROGER (1465-1539); of Codham, Essex. M.P. Ipswich 1483 (June), 1489-90.

S. and h. of Henry Wentworth of same by Elizabeth da. of Henry Howard. M. Anne da. of Humphrey Tyrell of Warley, Essex, by Isabel da. and h. of John Helyon of Belchamp Walter, Essex;⁸ issue Sir John.⁹

A feoffee in Essex, 1484; sheriff 1499-1500; at the reception of Catherine of Aragon, and kntd. 1501; comn. of subsidy, Essex, 1504; exempted from being pricked for sheriff, Dec. 1507; but so pricked 14 Nov. 1509 (though he did not account for the office). At the funeral of Henry VII, and pardoned 1509.⁸ He and his wife sold Bakewell to Sir Harry Vernon (*q.v.*) in 1502.

J.P. Essex, 20 Dec. 1512 till death; sheriff, 9 Nov. 1517 till 9 Jan. 1518; comnr. of subsidy 1523 and 1524. He bore the basin and towels at the Greenwich banquet, 7 July 1517; attended on Queen Catherine at the Field of the Cloth of Gold, 1520; accompanied the King to the meeting with Charles V at Canterbury, 1522; served in the army overseas under the Duke of Suffolk, Aug. 1523;¹⁰ on gaol delivery at Colchester, 1530; required to provide 50 men against the northern rebels, 1536.

He was dead by 24 Feb. 1540, when livery of lands was granted to his s. and h. John Wentworth.¹¹

¹ See note 7 on p. 934.

² That year he began protracted litigation with John Paston M.P. over the wardship of Thomas Fastolf of Cowhaw, in regard to which there had been conflicting grants.

³ *Foedera*, V. ii. 75.

⁴ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 302.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.* v. 371.

⁶ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 264.

⁷ Scofield, *Edward IV*, i. 333; *Comp. Peer.* iv. 292.

⁸ Pardon Roll, 1509—of Codham in Wetheresfeld and of Gosfeld, Essex, kntd., and Anne his widow, da. and h. of Isabel da. and h. of John Helyon of Belechamp Water, Essex, esq., and also one of the heirs of Thomas Rolf, late serjt.-at-law.

⁹ *Visitn. Essex*, 314.

¹⁰ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, iii. p. 1370.

¹¹ *ibid.* XI. ii. 436 (16).

WENYNGTON see WENNINGTON.

WEObLEY (WEBBELEY), JOHN ; of Hereford, tailor. M.P. Hereford city 1450-1.

He was an elector of Hereford city 1442, and was pardoned 8 Sept. 1452, as "John Webley of Hereford, tailor, *alias* yeoman" (m.20). He held no office in the town.

WESENHAM, THOMAS (1395-60) ; of Pipewell, N'hants. ; of Conington ; Serjt. of the Pantry 1427-51. M.P. HUNTINGDONSHIRE 1437, 1442, 1453-4. Lancastrian.

S. of Robert Wesenham, living 1430.

Serjt. of the pantry by 1427 and pardoned all arrears ; a feoffee (and esq.) in Berks., 1433 ; sworn to the peace in Hunts., 1434 ; and as serjt. of the pantry, for good services to Henry V and the King, made water bailiff of Bristol, Feb. 1434 ; on several comns. in Hunts., 1439 to June 1460 ; "serjt. pantler for the mouth" for life, 1438 ; he and his deputy at Bristol were pardoned arrears, 1440 ; made surveyor of all officers in the port of Bristol, Apr. 1441. He made fine for "Grymbaudesmanoir" in Diddington, 1440/1 ;¹ was apptd. to attend on Eleanor Cobham, duchess of Gloucester, while imprisoned at Leeds castle, 1441-2 ;² pardoned offences against the Statute of Liveries, Jan. 1445 ; appears as a squire of the Household at the coronation of Queen Margaret ; was granted £30 as of special grace, 1 July 1447 ;³ exempted from resumption by the 1449-50 Parlt. in regard to his office of "pantler of oure mouth",⁴ being then apparently an assessor of the subsidy granted by that Parlt.⁵ The Bristol office was, however, resumed. By 1451 he is called serjt.-at-arms ; sumnd. to attend the great council for Hunts., May 1455 ; pardoned by the Yorkists, 20 Nov. 1455, as of Pipewell, N'hants., esq. ; again 8 Feb. 1458, as late of Conington, Hunts., *alias* late serjt. of the pantry (m.34).

D. 10 Nov. 1460, when Robert, aged 66,⁶ was his bro. and h. ; lands—Hunts.

WEST, JOHN (1390-1455) ; of Brockenborough,⁷ lawyer. M.P. Malmesbury 1422, 1423, 1425, 1427, 1429-30, 1431, 1432, 1433, 1435, 1450-1.

Sworn to the peace in Wilts. 1434 ; an elector 1449 (1). Robert West, M.P. Malmesbury in 1445, may well be his son. In 1449 he was a collector of the 10th and 15th granted by the first Parlt. of that year, and was described as of Brockenborough.⁸ He is not the yeoman purveyor of the catery of 1454, nor the coroner of 1467-77.

WEST, ROBERT (1415-65) ; of Malmesbury, gent. M.P. Malmesbury 1449 (1), 1459.

Perhaps s. of John West (*q.v.*), an attorney and ten times M.P.

In 1445, as "of Malmesbury, gent.", he was a collr. of the subsidy in Wilts. ;⁹ an elector for Wilts. 1449 (1), when returned for Malmesbury ; pardoned 3 Feb.

¹ *Hunts. Feet of Fines*, G. J. Turner, 107.

² Issue Rolls, 1441, 1442.

³ Issue Roll, No. 768.

⁴ *Rot. Parl.* v. 195.

⁵ Fine Roll, 28 Hen. VI (m.12).

⁶ The Pardon Roll of 10 Feb. 1462 includes Robert Wesenham of Pipewell, N'hants., bro. and h. of Thomas Wesenham, decd. (m.40).

⁷ Brockenborough is two miles N.W. of Malmesbury.

⁸ Fine Roll, 27 Hen. VI (m.7).

⁹ Fine Roll, 24 Hen. VI (m.7).

1455, as "late of Malmesbury, Wilts., gent.", for failing to appear to answer a debt of £6 in Bristol.

WEST, THOMAS (1405-65); of the Household or Exchequer. Customer; Constable of Leeds, 1451; Clerk of the Markets 1445-61; Keeper of the Armoury in the Tower, 1453-60. M.P. Lostwithiel, 1449 (1), 1455-6.

Apptd. customer of Gt. Yarmouth, Nov. 1438; a collector of customs and subsidy at Ipswich, 1440-1.¹ He was then probably a servant of the Household or of the Exchequer, for in Nov. 1441 he was sent to the sheriff of Norfolk and Suffolk to take delivery of Eleanor da. and h. of Robert de Sidney knt., deceased. He had a share in the reversion of the office of constable of Leeds, Jan. 1443; clerk of the markets of the Household, Oct. 1445; for which he accounted, 1445-61.² The Parliament of 1449 (1), in which he sat, apptd. West one of the four Squires who were to receive the issues from the lands of the King's wards and to hold the same for the payment of the King's Household.³ He evidently became constable of Leeds castle, for in Dec. 1451 the letters patent of 1443 were ratified. He was sent to Southampton on a piracy comm., 1448; jointly with John Roger (*q.v.*) he was charged with keeping the armoury in the Tower, to hold by self or deputy after the death of John Malpas, Mar. 1453; one of the twelve squires in attendance at the Privy Council, 1454.⁴

He does not occur after 1461.

WESTBOURNE, JOHN (1415-75); of Hastings, gent. M.P. Hastings 1449-50; East Grinstead 1450-1.⁵

He occurs on the Hundred court rolls of Wittering, Sussex, in 1434.⁶ A juror at Ore in Hastings, 1461.⁶ In 1460/7 John Westbourne of Hastings, gent., and John Butler of Odymer (Udimore), Sussex, yeoman, were pledges for the prosecution of a chancery suit concerning Echingham's lands in Kent.⁷ He was amerced 3*d.* as a free suitor absent from the Baldslow Hundred court in 1474.⁸

WESTCLIFF (WESTELYVE), JOHN (1470-1525); of Sandwich. Town clerk 1493-7; King's bailiff 1509-24. M.P. Sandwich 1504, 1510, 1512-4, 1515.

He was town clerk of Sandwich, 1493 to 1497;⁹ mayor (Dec.) 1500-1, 1504-5, 1508-9, 1510-1 and 1520-2.¹⁰ Elected to Parlt. 18 Dec. 1503; this Parlt. was dissolved Apr. 1504, but on 16 Aug. 1504, Westcliff in some capacity reported to the common council at Sandwich the success of their petition for free marts.¹¹ From 1509 to 1524 John Westcliff and Thomas Aldy were joint King's bailiffs and vergers of Sandwich.¹² He was an inveterate member of committees and deputations—active and quarrelsome. He drew a knife on another jurat on Common Council.¹³

WESTCOTE, EDMUND (1430-85); of Bristol, merchant. M.P. Bristol 1478, 1483 Jan.

¹ Issue Rolls. ² *Enr. Accts.* ³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 157. ⁴ *Privy Coun. Proc.* vi. 224.

⁵ John Westbourne of Hollington, Sussex, yeoman, submitted to the King at Chichester on 12 July 1451, stripped to the waist and prostrate to the ground before the King in the public streets, and was pardoned for any offences before that date. But we cannot think that this was a Member for Hastings.

⁶ *Sussex Rec. Soc.* xxxvii. pp. 136, 202.

⁷ *Geneal. N.S.* xxi. 137.

⁸ *Sussex Rec. Soc.* xxxvii. p. 167.

⁹ W. Boys, *Sandwich*, 425.

¹⁰ *ibid.* ii. 418.

¹¹ Sandwich Records, *passim*, per Miss E. S. Scroggs.

¹² W. Boys, *op. cit.*, 424.

He was one of the Bristol merchants who complained in Oct. 1460 that Sir Hugh Courtenay's ships had robbed them on the high seas off Scilly and taken their goods to Fowey; pardoned, 26 Nov. 1471, as "of Bristol, merchant, *alias* gent., *alias* Waynescote"; sheriff 1473-4; mayor of Bristol 1479.

D. 1485; will, as of Bristol, merchant, dat. 1 Sept., pr. 19 Nov. 1485. To be bur. where he dies, but if in Bristol in his psh. ch. of St. Stephens. To wife Jane £100 in plate and £100 in money. To da. Jane 200 marks in plate for her marriage. Bequests to sons Thomas, John, Edmund and Richard, and to da. Maude. Exors:—son Thomas and da. Jane. Overseers:—Henry Weston and Philip Ringstone (*q.v.*) (P.C.C., 18 Logge).

WESTHOPE, JOHN. (1400-50); of Bath. M.P. Bath 1437, 1442.

He was an exōr. and then a Councillor of Bath, 1432; treasurer in May 1435 (*Bath Corp'n. Deeds*, pp. 38, 53).

WESTON, JOHN (1420-75); of Ockham, Surrey. M.P. Shoreham 1447;¹ Guildford 1460-1.

S. and h. of William Weston of the same, M.P. (1395-1457), by Margaret (Skinner) heiress of Ockham.

In 1440 John Weston and Agnes his wife paid $\frac{1}{2}$ mark for a writ of formadon in Surrey.² But two John Westons were pardoned July 1446—one of Liphook, Hants, junior, esq. (m.32), and one "of Hyndale (Hendle) esq., tenant of the lands of Jane, widow of Thomas Wintershull, *alias* heir and tenant of the lands of William Weston, late sheriff of Surrey and Sussex." The pardons of Jan. 1458 include "Margaret Weston of Okeham, late wife of William Weston, late eschr. of Surrey and Sussex, and John Weston, gent., s. and h. of the same William" (m.38). Margaret widow of the eschr. was pardoned again, Feb. 1462.

WESTON, JOHN; of Northampton. M.P. Northampton borō' 1491-2.

Presumably the bailiff 1492-3;³ a John Weston was a feoffee of Charlcot, Warw., for William Lucy (*q.v.*) in 1493/4.⁴

WESTON, WILLIAM (1395-1457); of Ockham, Surrey, gent. M.P. Guildford 1423, 1431; SURREY 1447.

Perhaps s. of William Weston M.P. Guildford 1415, 1419; *m.* Margaret, da. and h. of John Skinner of Ockham.

Elector, Surrey, 1419 when called "junior", 1423, 1425, 1426, 1435, 1449 (1), 1450, 1453.⁵ On a Surrey comn. 1430; sworn to the peace in Surrey as "of Ockham, esq.", 1434; eschr., Surrey and Sussex, Nov. 1451-Dec. 1453; pardoned his outlawry for failing to appear *re* a debt of 100s., 1451.

D. shortly before 6 Jan. 1458, when Margaret Weston of Okeham, late wife of William Weston, late eschr. of Surrey and Sussex, and John Weston, gent., s. and h. of said William Weston, were pardoned (m.38). His son John was also M.P.

¹ The representation of Guildford by this man in 1460, and also by William Weston and the Skinners, ensures this identification so far as Guildford is concerned. But the Shoreham M.P. may be the John Weston who was Groom of the Robes and King's servant in 1437 to 1441. In any case, neither the M.P. for Shoreham nor the M.P. for Guildford can be the John Weston who was serjeant-at-law 1430 to 1441, nor the man of the same name who was M.P. for Surrey 1427, 1431, 1435.

² Fine Roll, 19 Hen. VI (m.23).

³ Called John "West" (*Northampton boro' records*, ii. 558); but this may be Mr. Cox's reading of John Weston.

⁴ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, i. No. 835.

⁵ Always called "gent."

WESTON, WILLIAM (1403-60); ? of Cricklade. M.P. Devizes 1449 (1); Chippenham 1449-50.

When Thomas Weston died in 1423, seised of land in Cricklade, his s. and h. was William aged 20.¹ Also a William Weston was a tenant of the bishop in Salisbury, 1455.²

WETHERBY, JOHN (1440-1505); of Wymondham, Norf. M.P. Nottingham boro' 1497.

As no Nottingham burgess of this name appears, the Member may be John Wetherby of Wymondham, Norf., whose wife Agnes (aged 50 in 1492) was a sis. and coh. of Christine wife of John Russe of Yarmouth (*q.v.*).³ Wetherby was paid his wages in 1500.⁴ He was dead by 1509 when Sir Edmund Jenney (*q.v.*), exor. of the will of John Wetherby of Wymondham, was pardoned.⁵

WHATTON, JOHN (1400-60); of Mountsorell, esq. M.P. LEICESTERSHIRE 1459.

S. and h. of Robert Whatton of Long Whatton, *d.* 1452, by Catherine (Leake). Presumably it was this John who was commissioner of weights and measures in Leicester in 1422. He married Agnes who may have been a St. Jermayn; for, on 18 July 1452, there was a demise by Stephen Brown (*q.v.*) and others to Thomas Berners and Margaret, da. and h. of John St. Jermayn and to Margaret's heirs, of certain rents in London—successive remainders to right heirs of John St. Jermayn, the heirs of Jane late wife of Thomas Goodlok, of Margaret late wife of John Philpot knight, and of Agnes late wife of John Whatton.⁶

He was an elector of Notts. in 1455; escheator, Warw. and Leics., 1459-60.

Dead by 1462, for "Robert son and heir of John Whatton, late escheator of Warw. and Leics., *alias* of Mountsorell, Leics., gent.", was pardoned, 1 May 1462 (m.26).

WHETTENHALE, WILLIAM (1420-75); Serjeant of the Cellar 1449-53. M.P. Cricklade 1447.

Already serjeant of the cellar when he and John Northfolk were granted the office of the "sealing of worsted cloths" at Norwich, Mar. 1449;⁷ therefore he was probably a King's servant when he and his partner Childe (*q.v.*) were returned for Cricklade in 1447; exempted from resumption, 1449-50; shared in a grant of forfeited goods, 1451; called of the King's Household when a feoffee in Rotherhithe, Mar. 1453; and "of the King's cellar" when he and Henry Werham were made keepers of the armoury and artillery at Pontefract, July 1453; yeoman of the bottles, 1454; accounted for Eltham Park, 1452-3;⁸ sued by Robert Weston for the manor of Clopham, Surrey, and for defamation in 1467/72.⁹

During the Readeption (1470-1) of Henry VI, William Wettenhale of London, gent., and Thomas Aleyn of London, gent., were manucaptors for Edward Hungerford and Edward Basyng (*qq.v.*) to whom was committed the keeping of

¹ Inq. *p.m.*, 2 Hen. VI, No. 13.

³ Cal. Inq. Hen. VII, i. No. 794.

⁵ L. & P. Hen. VIII, i. 438 (4 m.18).

⁷ Cal. Pat. Rolls (1449).

⁹ Early Chan. Proc. 39/129.

² Ex inf. Mrs. Vaughan Nash.

⁴ Records of Nottingham, iii. 70.

⁶ Cat. Anc. Deeds, ii. p. 33.

⁸ Enr. Accts. F. 31 Henry VI, C.

Corsham and Stretton St. Margaret, Wilts.,¹ which indicates a connection with Wilts. and Cricklade.

WHICHCOT (WYCOTYS), JOHN (1420-1476/8); of Harpswell, Lincs., merchant. Deputy Butler of Hull 1458-67. M.P. Bletchingley 1460-1.

Presumably a Salop Whichcot. Eschr., Salop, 1450-1; deputy butler, Hull, 11 May 1458, renewed May 1459 and 10 July 1461. A co-trustee with Warwick, Dec. 1461, who presumably found him the Stafford seat at Bletchingley. Pardoned, 28 July 1462, "of Harpeswell, esq., *alias* late escheator of Salop" (m.18). In 1463 he was appointed to apportion the subsidy in Lindsey.² J.P. Lindsey, 20 Feb. 1463 to 1471, 27 Feb. 1472 till death. Sheriff, Lincs., 1465-6. On Lincs. comns. from 1461, chiefly sewers. Pardoned, 1468, "John Whichecote, merchant of the Staple of Calais, *alias* esq., *alias* of Harpeswell, *alias* of Lincoln, *alias* of Retford, Notts., *alias* late sheriff" (m.4); and again by Warwick's government which he seems to have supported. To judge from his comns. he died 8 Nov. 1475/23 Nov. 1478.

WHITCOMB, ROBERT (1390-1450); of Shrewsbury. M.P. Shrewsbury 1420, 1421 (1), 1421 (2), 1422, 1431, 1432, 1433, 1442.

Bailiff of Shrewsbury 1420, 1426, 1432, 1437, 1441, apparently returning himself to Parliament. His da. and h., Jane, *m.* Thomas Luyt, M.P. Shrewsbury in 1449.³

WHITE, (Sir) WILLIAM (1445-1504); ald. of London, draper.⁴ Porter of the Gt. Wardrobe 1485-1500. M.P. London 1489-90.

S. of William White of Tickhill, Yorks., by Cecily; *m.* (1) Margaret, (2) Agnes.

Auditor of London 1479-82, 1488-90; master of Draper's Co. 1484-6, 1489-90, 1493, 1498, 1503; alderman, 31 Aug. 1482 onwards;⁵ sheriff 1482-3; on 20 Nov. 1485 he was granted the office of "portitor within the wardrobe in the city of London",⁶ and this was re-granted to him as King's servant, 8 Apr. 1487. Because Sir Thomas FitzWilliam, member for the city and prospective Speaker, retired in order to be elected for Lincs. co., William White was elected to fill the vacancy before Parlt. met, 7 Jan. 1489—he was then auditor; kntd. while M.P. 1489; mayor of London 1489-90—while M.P.; comnr. of sewers, 1499.⁷

D. 1504. Will of Sir William White, citizen, draper, freeman, and alderman of London. To be bur. in St. Swithin's, Candlewick. Masses for the souls of his parents, William and Cecily, and of Margaret, late his w. Bequests to par. ch. of Tykhill, Yorks., where he was born; to nephew Nicholas White; to Robert White his bro., vicar of Harworth; to Robert his s., to John and Robert White of Tykhill, bros. of Nicholas. Exors.:—his w. Agnes and Lawrence Aylmer (P.C.C., 4 Holgrave).

¹ The M.P. and serjt. of the cellar cannot be William the s. and h. of Alderman William Whetnal of London, who died 1457, when the said son was 23 (Fine Roll, 49 Henry VI (m.3)).

² Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV (m.19). ³ H. T. Weyman, *Shropshire Members of Parliament*.

⁴ He is difficult to distinguish from his contemporary mercer namesake. It was this latter who was pardoned, late of Ross, Heref., in 1471, and occurs in 1493 (Jor. 10, fo. 22). See also Jor. 8, fo. 23d.; *Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1484, 360.

⁵ A. B. Beaven, *Aldermen of London*, ii.

⁶ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 169. But this King's servant may be the other William White.

⁷ Rep. i. fo. 49.

WHITE, WILLIAM (1450-1505); ald. of York, dyer and merchant. M.P. York city 1495.

Took out his freedom in York, 1472; entered *Corpus Christi* guild, 1472; a chamberlain of York, 1480.¹ In 1475/85 John Martin of London, draper, sued him as "stakeholder" for the stakes of a horse race made between Martin and Miles Bysney.² Sheriff, 1481-2; elected alderman, Apr. 1486; entered the merchants' guild, 1490; elected mayor *vice* John Ferriby (*q.v.*) deceased, 28 Mar. 1491; returned M.P., 27 Sept. 1495.³

He *m.* 17 Nov. 1503, Agnes Barker of St. Michael, Ousebridge;³ was re-elected mayor, Jan. 1505.⁴ *D.* Feb. 1505; will of William White, cit. and ald. of York, dat. 11 Nov. 1504, pr. at York 27 Feb. 1505. To be bur. in St. John's par. ch. Mentions w. Agnes and sons William and Robert (*Test. Ebor.* iv, 121).

WHITGREVE, HUMPHREY (1425-85); of Burton by Stafford. M.P. Stafford boro' 1449-50, 1450-1.

S. and h. of Robert Whitgreve of the same, M.P. (1385-1449); *m.* a da. of Ralf Egerton of Wrymehill, Staffs., M.P.⁴

He was bailiff to the sheriff, Sir John Stanley, 1464-5; pardoned outlawry for debt in 1472; elector, Staffs., 1472; was sued in Chancery by Jane da. of Thomas Whitgreve for detention of deeds, 1475/85.⁵ *D.* 1485.

WHITGREVE, ROBERT (1385-1452); of Burton by Stafford. King's Serjeant 1423-52; Steward of the Earl of Stafford; Teller of the Exchequer 1428-50; lawyer.

M.P. Stafford boro' 1411, 1416 (1), 1420, 1421 (1), 1421 (2), 1422, 1423-4, 1425, 1426, 1427-8, 1428, 1431, 1432, 1433, 1435, 1437, 1442, (and probably 1414 (1), 1414 (2), 1417, 1439-40); STAFFORDSHIRE 1445-6, 1449-50.

S. of William Whitgreve, bailiff of Stafford in 1410. "Being bred up in ye study of ye municipall laws was much employed by Humphrey, earl of Stafford." He had a grant from the crown in 1421, and was a King's Serjt. with a £10 annuity by 1423—exempted 1449/50;⁶ mustered soldiers for Ireland, 1428; a Teller of the Exchq. with £20 a year, 1428-52.⁷ As Teller he was sent to Dieppe in 1432,⁸ and in 1443 to Portsmouth to supervise the embarkation of the army for France. In Staffs. he was an eschr., 1427-8, 1431-2, 1434-5, 1438-9, and 1441-2; pardoned 1437; elector 1447, 1449 (1);⁹ J.P., 1439 till 1450. He was at the coronation of Queen Margaret, 1445;¹⁰ exempted from all offices, 1448; yet he was steward and constable of Newcastle-under-Lyme 1448.¹¹ He bought Bridgford, Staffs., from Sir Richard Vernon 1425/6; was a trustee for the Chetwund settlement in 1440; and died 1452, being succeeded by his son Humphrey, M.P. for Stafford, named after the Earl. He had a grant of arms, *c.* 1433, from Humphrey, earl of Stafford:—Nine pieces azure and or with a chevron gules in each piece of gold. He probably sat in 22 out of 24 Parlt. consecutively for 40 years—a record for all time. His descendants in the male line are still of Burton by Stafford.¹²

¹ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 67/49.

³ *Test. Ebor.* iii. 363.

⁴ *Staffs. Colls.* (1917), pp. 233-4.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 52/179.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* v. 195.

⁷ He accts. as teller 19-31 Hen. VI (Issue Rolls).

⁸ *Privy Coun. Proc.* iv. 266.

⁹ Heading the list—the only two Parlt. to which he was not elected.

¹⁰ *Exchr. Accts.* 361/6.

¹¹ T. Pape, *Mediæval Newcastle-under-Lyme*, 126.

¹² *Staffs. Colls.* (1917), 173.

WHITHORN, RICHARD ; of Wilton, gent. M.P. Wilton 1435, 1439-40.

Perhaps he was son of John Whithorn, of Wilton, M.P. for Wilton between 1414 and 1433, receiver of the Duke of Bedford in Wilts. ; pardoned 1437. Also there is this curious entry from the patent rolls of 25 Henry VI (quoted in *Rot. Parl.* v. 448) :—Humphrey, Duke of Gloucester, deceased, had claimed that John Whithan, gent., of Wilton, was his *nativus*, and had imprisoned him for seven years, and he had gone blind. He is now restored to his lands.

But of Richard Whithorn, not a word.

WHITING, NICHOLAS (1430-1500) ; of Gittisham, Devon. M.P. Tavistock 1478.

Devon elector 1453, 1472 ; one of the Devon men pardoned for livery, called " of Gydsam ", 1467.

D. 1500 ; will, dat. 5 Mar., pr. 16 May 1500. To be bur. in St. Michaels, " Gydesham ". Bequests to John Hacah, and to son John Whytyng his sole exor. (P.C.C., 4 Moone).

WHITING, ROBERT. M.P. Northampton boro' 1467-8.

Undiscovered ; but there was a Robert Whiting of Devon who *d.* 1500, leaving a s. and h. Christopher, aged 28. There is no reason however why this man should have sat for Northampton which borough usually returned local burgesses at this time. An Ambrose Whiting occurs in Northampton in 1613.

WHITINGTON, THOMAS (1430-91) ; of Rodmarton, Glos. ; lawyer ; 2nd Baron of the Exchr. 1481-5. M.P. Malmesbury 1478.

S. and h. of Robert Whittington of St. Brevill, Glos., by a da. of Hyett of Gloucester ; *m.* Alice da. of Thomas Ball of Monmouth.¹

Elector, Glos., 1467, 1472 ; on Glos. comns. 1467, 1477 ; sheriff, Glos., 1474-5 ; J.P. Glos., of the quorum, 6 Nov. 1479 to 1485, 27 Feb. 1486 till death. Apptd. 2nd Baron of the Exchr., 3 Feb. 1481, succeeding John Clerk.² Pardoned, 8 Nov. 1484, as " of Rodmarton, Glos., gent., *alias* late 2nd Baron, *alias* late sheriff, *alias* late of London, gent." (m.8). On Glos. comns. from 1482 to the subsidy comn. of Jan. 1488, including all those of 1483-4, and the Gloucester gaol deliveries.

D. shortly before 25 Apr. 1491, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Glos.³

WHITINGTON, WILLIAM (1410-75) ; of Pauntley, Glos., esq. M.P. GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1455-6.

S. and h. of Guy Whittington M.P., Glos., 1420, 1432, by a da. of Upton of Haselor, Warw. ; *m.* Elizabeth da. and h. of Remfrey Arundel, and his s. John *m.* a da. of Sir Richard Croft⁴ (q.v.).

It is probably this man who was sworn to the peace in Oxon. in 1434. Though the sheriff, in making the return, calls him *notabilis armiger*, the pardon roll, signed on 12 Nov. 1455 just after his election, calls him " of Paunteley, gent." (m.20). He was J.P. Glos., 10 June 1464 to Dec. 1470, but on 27 Oct. 1470 the Readeption govt. put him on a Glos. comn. with Clarence and Warwick. On 21 May 1472 William Whittington, John Poke and Sexton, merchts. of Bristol, complain that the

¹ *Visitn. Glos.* 178.

³ *Fine Roll*, 6 Hen. VII (m.1).

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1481), 230.

⁴ *Visitn. Glos.* p. 268.

goods they shipped to Spain had been seized by two pirates of Cornwall and carried to Cornwall.

WHITLEY, RICHARD (1435-71); of Devon, lawyer. M.P. Barnstaple 1467-8.

Admtd. to Lincoln's Inn 1458, master of the revels 1462-3, pensioner 1466-71. In 1464 Thomas Noreys (*q.v.*) and Richard Whitley of London, gent., were mainpernors for Sir Thomas Hungerford.¹ On 14 Feb. 1465 the keeping of Banstead and Walton manors, Surrey, was granted to Richard Whitle and John Kendale on the mainprise of John Keyme of London, gent., and Robert Hille (*q.v.*) of "Honne" (Houndhill or Onn), Staffs.;² and on 13 June 1467, Richard Whitley of London, gent. and William Hammond were mainpernors for John Fortescue and John Rysseley esqs.³ An arbitrator in Cornwall 1467 and a witness to a Cornish deed for John Glynn (*q.v.*) the same year.³ He and his wife Elizabeth had the custody of the lands and heir of Nicholas Carew, May 1470.

D. 30 June 1471, when Richard, aged 20, s. of his bro. Thomas, was his heir. Lands—Devon, Cornwall.

WHITNEY (WHYTENEY), EUSTACE (1411-80); of Whitney, Heref., esq. M.P. HEREFORDSHIRE 1467-8.

S. of Robert Whitney M.P. (*d.* 1441), by Alice da. of Thomas Vaughan of Hergest; *m.* (1) Jane, da. of Thomas Russell by whom he had his h. Robert; and (2) Jane, da. of Robert Clifford.

Elector, Heref., 1447 and 1467 when he and Thomas Monyngton, the other elected M.P., head the list of electors. Pardoned, Jan. 1458, "of Whitney in the marches of Wales, esq., late of Colepychard, Heref., late of Hereford". On Heref. comms. 1457, with Devereux July 1460, and Aug. 1461. J.P. Heref., 17 July 1461 till death; apportioner of subsidy in Heref. 1463.⁵

To judge from his J.P.ships he must have died 1480/1. Robert Whitney his s. was sheriff in 1476.

WHITOXMEDE see WHITTOCKSMEAD.

WHITTINGHAM, (Sir) ROBERT (1420-71); of Salden. Usher of the Chamber 1448-60; Keeper of the Queen's Wardrobe 1458-61. M.P. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 1453-4, (? 1459). Lancastrian.

S. and h. of Sir Robert Whittingham of the same M.P., treasurer of Calais (1390-1452) by his wife Agnes; *m.* 1448, Catherine da. and coh. of Gatewyne. Sir John Fastolf calls her in 1456 "my right welbeloved sister".⁶ Their da. and h. *m.* Sir John Verney M.P., from whom descend all the Verneys of Steeple-Claydon.

As King's Serjeant, he and Kate Gatewyne had a joint grant of a 40 mark pension, Feb. 1448; Saldeyn, Bucks., was settled on their marriage.⁷ As usher of the chamber, he had licence to exhume and convey to France the body of the Duc de Bourbon, Feb. 1451. He was not one of those King's servants who were

¹ Fine Roll, 4 Edw. IV.

² Fine Roll, 8 Edw. IV (m.20).

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. pp. 518, 549.

⁴ Aged 30 at his father's death (*Ancestry of John Whitney*, Henry Melville, New York, 1896).

⁵ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV (m.20).

⁶ *Paston Letters*, i. 371, 379.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1450), 376.

denounced in 1450; and with William Say (*q.v.*) he was made joint bailiff of Sandwich, June 1451. He owned also Pendley, Herts., and from 1449 onwards was on Herts. comns., including the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459; sheriff, Beds. and Bucks., 1451-2; J.P. Bucks., 4 Aug. 1453 (after election) till 1461; J.P. Herts., 11 Nov. 1457 to 1461. The Act of Resumption of 1455 was not to apply to Saldeyn, which had been granted to his father, Sir Robert, in 1450.¹ He and his father's widow Agnes were both pardoned by the Yorkists, 7 Oct. 1455, "late of the Household, esq., late sheriff". If he had indeed lost his post in the Household after St. Albans, he was brought back in Sept. 1456 as receiver general of the rents of the Prince of Wales. On 24 Apr. 1458 Whittingham was keeper of the Queen's wardrobe; pardoned 1458.²

His comns. seem to show that he was in England till after Northampton fight, July 1460; though Miss Scofield says he was with the Duke of Somerset in Guisnes.³ He was probably at Wakefield, 30 Dec. 1460, and was certainly knighted by the Prince of Wales after St. Albans, 17 Feb. 1461. After the battle he was sent on with Hampden and Heron to London, but they were refused entry.⁴ Edward IV set £100 on his head, 6 Mar. 1461—the maximum. He fought at Towton, 28 Mar., and fled north with Queen Margaret to Scotland.⁵ In June he was vainly besieging Carlisle;⁶ in July he was soliciting aid in France, but the envoys were arrested by the new King Louis XI.⁷ He and Hungerford wrote to the Queen, 30 Aug. 1461:—They were at Dieppe, where they had a safe conduct, but expected to be summoned to the King—advise Margaret not to come to France until they write again.⁸ They remained in France, semi-prisoners, till Mar. 1462; and then got away to Scotland.⁹ By June, Whittingham was back in France, with the Queen, Montfort and Finderne, and helped at the signing of the Treaty of Tours, 28 June 1462.¹⁰ Sailing with French troops they seized Alnwick, Nov. 1462, and left as garrison Hungerford, Whittingham, Finderne and 500 Frenchmen.¹¹ Alnwick was retaken before the end of the year, but Whittingham managed to rejoin the Queen. Somehow he survived both Hedgley Moor and Hexham, and when Queen Margaret sailed from Bamburgh to Sluys in Aug. 1463, she had with her the Duke of Exeter, Morton the future Cardinal, Montfort and her faithful keeper of the wardrobe, Sir Robert Whittingham.¹² Thenceforward these exiles, joined by Fortescu and Hampden, lived with Margaret, a shadow Court, at her father's castle of St. Mighel in Bar—forgotten for seven years. They came back in Apr. 1471, and, on 4 May 1471, Whittingham was killed fighting at Tewkesbury.¹³

WHITTLE (WHYTELL), HUMPHREY. M.P. Bridgnorth 1491-2.

Not a burgess of the town for there is no trace of him in the local records. Probably one of the family of Whytell of Wheathill, Salop.¹⁴

WHITTOCKSMEAD (WHITOXMEDE), JOHN (1410-82); of Benacre by Melksham;¹⁵ Bailiff of the Bishop of Salisbury; King's Serjeant-at-arms 1448.

M.P. Devizes 1433; Downton 1442; Salisbury 1449 (1); Bath 1449-50;

¹ *Rot. Parl.* v. 315.

² "Of Pendley, Herts., late Sheriff, bailiff of Sandwich, exor. of the wills of Sir Robt. Whittingham and of Sir Andrew Ogard, *alias* J.P. Bucks." (m.27).

³ Scofield, *Edw. IV*, i. 143. ⁴ *ibid.* i. 145. ⁵ *ibid.* i. 165. ⁶ *ibid.* i. 180. ⁷ *ibid.* i. 188.

⁸ *Paston Letters*, ii. 45-7. ⁹ Scofield, *Edw. IV*, i. 241. ¹⁰ *ibid.* i. 252. ¹¹ *ibid.* i. 262.

¹² *ibid.* i. 301. ¹³ *ibid.* i. 367. ¹⁴ *Ex inf.* H. T. Weyman. ¹⁵ *Paston Letters*, i. 140.

WILTSHIRE 1450-1; Calne 1455-6; (? 1459); (? 1460); (? 1461); Wilton 1463-5; 1467-8; (? 1470-1); Cricklade 1472-5. Lancastrian.

Perhaps s. of that John Whittocksmead who was M.P. for Bath 1399-1432; whether it was father or son who sat for Devizes in 1433 is doubtful; *m.* Blanche sis. of John ap Harry of Preston Wynne, Heref.¹

He was a Hungerford feoffee, 1437; elector, Bath 1437, and Wilts. 1442 when returned for Downton; he and John Coventry of Devizes acquired jointly the Manor of Lydiard-Tregoze, Wilts., Oct. 1444; one of those to be prayed for at St. Loo's chantry at Calne in 1446; and by 1448, at latest, he was bailiff for the bishop of Salisbury.² The same year he is called a serjeant-at-arms. In Aug. 1450 James Gresham writes to Paston:—"Had heard from Whittoxmede (which Gairdner prints as two words, as though it were a place) that there were 9,000 or 10,000 men up in Wiltshire."³ Whittocksmead should have known, for he was J.P. Wilts., of the quorum, 20 May 1450 to 1471, and 4 Apr. 1472 till death; eschr., Hants and Wilts., 1451-2; on Wilts. comns. from 1449 onwards, including the Lancastrian ones of 1459-60. He was exor. of the will of Lord Delawarr in 1455 and frequently a feoffee. The Tropenell Cartulary speaks of him as being bailiff of Salisbury, *i.e.* of the bishop in 1455, 1459 and 1465; pardoned, Jan. 1458.⁴ As steward of the manor of Chiseldon, Wilts., belonging to Hyde Abbey, he certified to a presentation, 1457.⁵

If he sat in the Coventry Parlt. (1459) it will have been for Devizes or Bath, the returns for which are missing; he may have sat for any Wiltshire boro' in 1460, all being missing. He evidently rallied to the Lancastrian side in Oct. 1470, for he was comnr. of *o.* & *t.* in that month and was excluded from the bench on the return of Edward IV.

D., to judge from his comns., between 10 Feb. 1481 and 20 July 1483. In Chippenham church is an altar tomb with two shields:—Gold, a chevron gules between three boars' heads (WROUGHTON), and:—silver, a chevron gules between three birds sable (WHITTOCKSMEAD).⁶

WHITTON see WIGHTON.

WHYNGE see WING.

WHY.... see WHI....

WICH (WYCH), Sir HUGH (1405-68); ald. of London, mercer. M.P. London 1447.

S. of Richard Wich of Nantwich, Cheshire, by Anne; *m.* (1) Denise; (2) 1434, Jane, widow of Robert Colbroke, warden of London bridge;⁷ and (3) Alice, widow of William Holt, and da. and coh. of John Stratton esq. She *d.* in 1474 mentioning

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 58/408.

² Benson & Hatcher, *Old & New Sarum*, 698.

³ See note ¹⁵ on p. 944.

⁴ "Of Benacre, Wilts., late escheator of Hants and Wilts., *alias* J.P. Wilts., *alias* bailiff of the Liberties of the Bishop of Sarum" (m.40).

⁵ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 335.

⁶ *Geneal. N.S.* vi. 199. Mr. Storey Maskelyne writes:—Twyncho, a small hamlet adjoining Whittocksmead, is in the parish of Wellow by Bath. The arms assigned to Twyncho are identical with the arms quartered by the Gore family for Whittocksmead:—*viz.* Silver, and a chevron between three lapwings sable. Giles Gore is said to have married Elizabeth, da. and h. of John Whittocksmead. But Whittocksmeads continued at Benacre.

⁷ *Letter Book K.* 180.

in her will her lands in Essex, Southwark, and at Lewes. Her exors. were her cousin, *i.e.* bro.-in-law, Thomas Windsor (*q.v.*), and Humphrey Starkey, recorder of London.

Hugh and William Wyche were in London, 1435; Hugh was worth £21 a year in 1436; auditor of London 1436-7; sheriff 1444-5; master of the Mercers' co. 1451, 1457, 1460, 1468; alderman 11 Oct. 1458 till death; mayor of London 1461-2. He was on a few London comns. of no political significance; the wine inspector found putrid wine in his house and he was fined, 1441;¹ pardoned 1446 as "citizen and alderman (l) of London"; exempted, together with others, from the Act of Resumption of 1449-50 in respect of lands granted by them to find two priests to sing for Henry VI and his Queen;² and pardoned again 1452, as "of London, mercer"; elector, London, 1435, 1437, 1449 (1), 1449 (2), 1450, 1453, 1455, 1467. From 1450 onwards he was continually dealing with property both in London and N'hants. Also, his pardon in Aug. 1455 was granted "in consideration of his labours in the business of the Household"; in 1456 he was being paid at the Exchequer.³ He was one of the important deputation sent to Coventry, 1459, to assure the King of the city's allegiance;⁴ had licence to ship uncustomed wool, 1462; comnr. to apportion the tax-relief among the poorer inhabitants, 1463;⁵ kntd. 26 May 1465 at the Queen's coronation. He was engaged in the wool trade and in financing the Household.

D. 1468. Will, dat. 17 May 1466, pr. 18 Apr. 1468.⁶

WICHARD see WISCARD.

WICKHAM (WYCAM), WILLIAM (1445-94); of Bristol. M.P. Bristol 1483 Jan.

Perhaps s. of John Wickham, mayor of Bristol 1472-3 and an elector 1478.

William was bailiff of Bristol 1467;⁷ sheriff 1476-7; an elector 1478; mayor of Bristol 1484-5, 1486-7;⁷ on gaol delivery while mayor, July and Aug. 1487.

D. 1494; will, dat. 10 Oct., pr. 6 Nov. 1494. To be bur. at Bristol. Bequests to John s. of Henry Vaughan (*q.v.*) and to said John's w. Agnes. John and Agnes to have his house in Redelistrete. Testator's w. Alice to be exix., and Henry Vaughan, supervisor (Somerset Wills, *Som. Rec. Soc.*).

WICKHAM (WYKEHAM), WILLIAM (1405-56); of Bloxham and Broughton, Oxon., esq. M.P. OXFORDSHIRE 1442.

S. and h. of Sir Thomas Perrot, *alias* Wickham (great-nephew of William of Wickham) by a da. of William Wilkins.

Comnr. of subsidy 1431, and on other Oxon. comns. till death; sworn to the peace in Oxon., 1434; on 16 Feb. 1441 Sir Thomas Wickham settled Bloxham on

¹ Jor. 3, fo. 107.

² Rot. Parl. v. 195.

³ Issue Roll, No. 807.

⁴ Jor. 6, fo. 145.

⁵ Letter Book L. 29.

⁶ To be bur. in the tomb he has made in St. Margaret's, Lothbury. Masses "to be done solempnely by note afre the use of Sarum", for the souls of Richard and Anne, his father and mother, John Boston and William Holt, mercers, Robert Rokk, clerk, and Dionyse and Jane, late his wives. Bequests for anniversaries of Margaret Brok and William Wyche, his cousin, in St. Andrew's Church, St. Albans. Bequests to the townspeople and to the church at Nantwich, and to Mary Wyche, a nun at Catesby, N'hants. Exor.:—Alice, his wife. Overseers:—Rauf Verney (*q.v.*) and Wm. York (P.C.C. 23 Godyn).

⁷ Barrett, *Bristol*.

his s. and h. William Wickham, with remainder to Thomas, bro of William. J.P. Berks., 24 June 1449 to 22 Mar. 1452; pardoned, Nov. 1452, as of Broughton, Oxon. (m.9); J.P. Oxon., 22 Mar. 1452 till death.

D. 18 Sept. 1456, when Margaret, aged 28, wife of William Fiennes, Lord Saye and Sele (1429-71), was his da. and h.

WIDDRINGTON (WODRYNTON), (Sir) GERARD (1430-71); of Widdrington and Haughton Castle. M.P. NORTHUMBERLAND 1453-4. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Roger Widdrington of the same, dead in 1458, and g.s. of Sir John Widdrington M.P. 1403; m. Elizabeth da. of Christopher Boynton, of Sedbergh, Yorks.

He was an elector, Northumberland, 1450, 1460. In 1454 Gerard and his wife Elizabeth had a grant of Haughton Castle; and he appears on the pardon roll, 16 Jan. 1458, as "s. and h. and exor. of Roger Wodrynton" (m.38). On a Nhd. comn., 13 Nov. 1461 as esq., but kntd. by 10 Dec. 1461 when he was made J.P. for the County. Sheriff 1464-5.

He was dead by 1475 when Henry Percy, earl of Northumberland, was granted £200 from the lands, late of Gerard Widdrington knt., late deceased, during the minority of "Roger", Sir Gerard's son and heir. The same grant was repeated in 1477, save that the son's name was then given as Ralph.¹

D. shortly before 12 Aug. 1471 (or even before 8 July 1471), when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Northumberland.² Hodgson erroneously says:—In 1490 Gerard Widdrington knt., being childless, settled his estates on his nephew Sir Ralph Widdrington who had succeeded by 1491;³ Sir Ralph was pardoned in 1484.

WIDEWELL, EDMUND (1420-79); of Yarmouth, shipowner. Customer of Yarmouth 1463-79. M.P. Yarmouth 1450-1, 1463-5.

Perhaps s. of John Widewell of the same, who was exempted from all office in 1447.

Bailiff of Yarmouth 1451-2, 1456-7, 1462-3, 1464-5, 1468-9, 1474-5; J.P. Yarmouth from 14 June 1459 onwards. He was the "provost" of Yarmouth who was sued by the Barons of the Cinque Ports for the arrest of their bailiffs and attacks on their liberties in 1457.⁴ Widewell was made controller of customs in Yarmouth in June 1463, while sitting as M.P., and his appointment was renewed in Nov. 1469, and by the Readeption govt. in Oct. 1470. He was pardoned, 20 Mar. 1473, as "burgess of Yarmouth, *alias* collector of customs, etc., *alias* controller of customs there" (m.30).

D. 1479; will, dat. 11 May, pr. 25 Oct. 1479.⁵

WIGHTON (WHITTON), JOHN (1440-1500); of Cambridge. M.P. Cambridge boro' 1483 (Jan.), 1483 (June), 1484, 1485-6.

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1475), 545; (1477), 38. ² *Fine Roll*, 11 Edw. IV (m.23).

³ Hodgson, *Hist. of Nthumberland*, 2. ii. pp. 234-5. ⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 26/566.

⁵ To be bur. in St. Nicholas, Yarmouth. His mother to have for life the house she now inhabits and 10s. per annum. To his da. Margaret 100 marks for her marriage. To w. Christine her house and household goods and £40 from his ship "Le John." Residue for his soul. Exors. :—Edmund Jenney (M.P.), Thomas Duke, Thomas Banyard (P.C.C., 12 Logge).

Bailiff of Cambridge 1470 ; mayor 1477-9, 1489 ; J.P. Cambridge boro' 1483 till death.¹ In 1491 the corpn. paid 4*d.* for the expenses of the King's minstrels at the house of John Wighton.² *D.* soon after 1498.

WIGMORE (WYGMORE), THOMAS. M.P. Rochester 1449 (1).

Undiscovered, save that the will of Catherine Martin of Feversham refers to her s. John Wigmore ;³ and the said John Wigmore *d.* 1493 seised of land in Kent.⁴

WIGSTON, JOHN (1445-1512/3) ; of Leicester ; stapler of Calais. M.P. Leicester boro' 1478.

Probably s. of William Wigston of Leicester M.P. (1410-70), and bro. of Roger Wigston M.P. (1435-1507).

Mayor of Leicester 1469-70, 1480-1 ; mayor of Coventry 1490 ;⁵ comnr. for collection of subsidy apptd. in Parlt. for Coventry, 1496 ;⁶ pardoned with the other staplers of Calais, Nov. 1505 ; exor. of the will of his bro. Roger, 1506/7.

D. 1512/3 ; will of John Wigston of the Newark of Leicester, merchant, dat. 7 Dec. 1512, pr. 17 Feb. 1513.⁷ His widow, Elizabeth, died 1519.

WIGSTON, ROGER (1435-1507) ; of Leicester, merchant of the Staple.

M.P. Leicester boro' 1472-5, 1487, 1489-90.

S. of William Wigston (*q.v.*) and bro. of John (*q.v.*).

Chamberlain of Leicester 1459-60 ;⁸ mayor 1465-6, 1471-2, 1487-8.⁹ Lieut. for the merchants of Calais 1493.¹⁰ Comns., gaol delivery, Leicester, 1492, 1493 ; one of 500 merchants pardoned for technical offences, Nov. 1505. When Richard Cely met Wigston "a thyssyd" Northampton in 1491 he was asked to drink with Wigston's wife at Leicester.¹¹

D. 1507 ; will, dat. 27 Apr. 1506, pr. 21 June 1507.¹² His Inq. *p.m.* was taken at Loughborough, 4 Nov. 1507, showing that he had been seised of the manors of Chadyngworth, Whetstone, Belgrave, Wartnaby and Carlton, and premises in Willoughby Waterless, Leics. ; his s. and h. William Wigston the elder was aged 40 and more.¹³

WIGSTON, WILLIAM (1410-70) ; probably wool merchant, of Leicester.

M.P. Leicester boro' 1455-6.

Doubtless a grandson of William Wigston of Leics., "bocher", mentioned in

¹ J. Milner Gray, *Biog. Notes on Mayors of Cambridge*, 19.

² Cooper, *Annals of Cambridge*, 236. ³ *Test. Vetust.* p. 424.

⁴ Fine Roll, 9 Hen. VII (m.3).

⁵ Hartopp, *Roll of the Mayors of Leicester*, p. 39. ⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 518.

⁷ To be bur. in the college church of the Newark of Leicester "as near the chapel of my son William as it may be conveniently." Bequest to w. of her portion of 500 marks. Bequests to sons William, Thomas and Roger, and Roger's children ; and to Robert Harwar's wife and children and Harwar's little Besse £10 ; and to Robert Gillotte's children. Exors. :—w. and sons (P.C.C., 10 Fetiplace).

⁸ Bateson, *Records of the Boro' of Leicester*. ⁹ *ibid.* 449. ¹⁰ *Cely Papers*, 144. ¹¹ *ibid.* 59.

¹² P.C.C., 24 Adeane. Merchant of the Staple of Calais. To be bur. at St. Martin's, Leicester, near where his father is bur. Masses for his soul "while the world shall endure." If he dies before his w. "for as much as it is not iknown that my said wif by reason of her age ys so febill and wayke both of body and mynde that she cannot help ne order herself, I will that Sir Thos. Pulteney knt and my brother John Wigston, m'chaunt, have ov'sight and orderyng of hir." Son William to support her. Bequest to da. Cecile. Lands to s. William, who, with Sir Richard Empson, Sir Thos. Pulteney and bro. John, is exor.

¹³ Hartopp, *Roll of the Mayors of Leicester*, p. 38.

plea roll of 1368,¹ and presumed father of Roger and John Wigston who both sat for Leicester. He resided for some years in Friar Lane, St. Martin's parish; mayor 1448-9, 1459-60; an elector in Leicester 1453, 1467. In 1410/57 he sued Roger Crispe and Katherine his wife for a tenement in Leicester.² He was buried in the Lady chapel of St. Martin's Church.

WIGSTON, WILLIAM, junior (1470-1536); of Leicester, stapler of Calais. M.P. Leicester boro' 1504.

S. of John Wigston of same, M.P. (1445-1512);³ *m.* (1) Isabel, sis. of alderman Richard Gillot, mayor in 1497; (2) Agnes, by birth a Pysford of Coventry and widow of one Trotter.

Admitted a freeman of the city, 1493-4; on Leicester gaol delivery comms. from 1502 onwards, pardoned 1505, as a stapler (? also 1509 as of Belgrave, Leics., late stapler of Coventry); perhaps lieut. of the staple of Calais, 24 Apr. 1509.³ Mayor of Leicester 1499-1500, 1510-1; one of those to found first a chantry at the collegiate church of St. Mary, Leicester, 1511; and in 1513, with Thomas and Roger Wigston, "the hospital of William Wigston".⁴ He was mayor of Calais in Nov. 1514,⁵ and a subsidy comnr. for Leicester 1523 and 1524.

D. 8 July 1536, when Agnes was his widow and Thomas Wigston, clerk, aged 60, was his bro. and h.; lands in Leics. Another Inq. *p.m.* taken at Sleaford, Lincs., seven years later, stated that he had died seised of lands in Alynngton and Denton, Lincs., and that his heir then was William Wigston junior, his nephew.⁶ Will of William Wigston son of John Wigston, mercht. of the Staple of Calais, dat. 26 June, pr. 19 Aug. 1536. To be bur. in the new college of Leicester, next to w. Isabel. Bequests to w. Agnes; to bro. Mr. Thomas; to bro. Roger, and to William s. of Roger. Wife exix.; Bp. of Lincoln, supervisor. (P.C.C., 39 Hogen.) A draft of this will was drawn up before 31 Jan. 1531, and is printed by Thompson.

WILDCOT (WILCOTES), OLIVER. M.P. Chippenham 1453-4.

Perhaps another son of John Wildcot M.P. Oxfordshire 1421 (*d.* 1428), and brother of Thomas Wildcot M.P. (1420-80).

WILDCOT (WILCOTES), THOMAS (1420-72); of Dean, Oxon., esq. M.P. Bletchingley 1449-50.

Perhaps s. of John Wylcotes, M.P. Oxon. 1421 (*d.* 1428), and bro. of Oliver Wylcotes, M.P. Chippenham 1453. As Bletchingley was a Stafford borough he may be father of Thomas Wildcot M.P. (1450-1515). It is tempting to call them all Wilcox, but the alternative spelling is too frequent.

In 1460/5 Alice Alkerton sued Thomas Wylcote, gent. of Dean, as feoffee for

¹ Hartopp, *Roll of the Mayors of Leicester*, pp. 34-5.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 16/367.

³ To be distinguished from the contemporary William Wigston senior (*d.* 1535) s. of Roger Wigston M.P. (1440-1507); and from a William Wigston junior (*b.* 1507), of the next generation, nephew and heir of William senior; all seem to have been staplers and mayors of Leicester. An account of the Wigston family will be found in Prof. Hamilton Thompson's intro. to his edition of the *Wyggeston Hospital Records*.

⁴ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 2137 (16), 3499 (27): see for detailed history of this foundation *Wyggeston Hospital Records*, ed. Thompson.

⁵ Hartopp, *Roll of the Mayors of Leicester*, pp. 47-80.

⁶ *ibid.*

land in Shorthampton, Oxon.¹ In 1471 20 marks were owed to Thomas Wilcotes of Deene, Oxon., esq.

D. shortly before 30 Apr. 1472, when his writ of *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Oxon.²

WILDCOT (WYLDECOTE), THOMAS (1450-1515); of Tong, Salop, and Hexstall, Staffs. Groom of the Chamber. M.P. Bridgnorth 1487.³

Perhaps a s. of Thomas Wylddecote M.P. (1420-72); or of Thomas Wildcot of Salop (d. 1481).⁴

He sued Thomas Rugge and Thomas Bate, between 1475/80 or 1483/5, re detention of deeds in Bewdley.⁵ Groom of the chamber to Richard III, 1484, when he was granted the manor of West Capland, Som.; eschr., Salop, 1481-2 and 10 Dec. 1484 to 5 Nov. 1485; of Staffs., 5 Nov. 1501 to 29 Nov. 1509; collr. of benevolences, 1499; was "created a burgess (of Bridgnorth) for his labours in Parlt. that is in the second Parlt." of Henry VII, 1500.⁶ Pardoned 1509, as "of Tong, Salop, Hexton (Hexstall), Staffs., and London, gent., exor. of Richard Eyton, clerk, keeper of the college of Tong";⁷ pardoned and released, 14 Nov. 1511, as late eschr. of Salop, *temp.* Edw. IV, Richard III and Henry VII, and of Staffs., *temp.* Henry VII and Henry VIII.⁸ Cf. the two Hexstall M.P.s.

WILDEGRYSE, JOHN (1425-94); ald. of Coventry, draper. M.P. Coventry 1472-5, 1478.

On 25 May 1444 William Botley of Warwick and John Wylgrys of Coventry, gent., were mainpernors for Thomas Wylgrys for the keeping of a messuage at the gate of Coventry which had once belonged to the Jews; and on 21 Jan. 1453 the keeping of a messuage, probably the same, recently held by Thomas Wyldgryse was granted to John on the mainprise of William Botley (or Betley) of Coventry, gent., and Thomas Stratton of the same, gent.⁹

John was on a Coventry comn., 1457; mayor 1459-60; pardoned, 12 May 1462;¹⁰ in 1474, while M.P., he exhibited before the Barons of the Exchq. the standard measures used in Coventry for measuring cloth.¹¹

D. 12 Aug. 1494, when he left the Star Inn in Earl street to the Drapers' Company.¹²

WILKINSON, ROGER (1435-95); of Wirksworth, Derbys. Yeoman of the Chamber 1471. M.P. Derby boro' 1472-5.

On 29 June 1474, as yeoman of the chamber, he was granted the office of bailiff of Shelford, Notts., for life. With Robert and John Wilkinson his name occurs in a Wirksworth deed of 1493.¹²

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/208.

² Fine Roll, 12 Edw. IV (m.17).

³ Weyman, *M.P.s for Bridgnorth*, p. 40.

⁴ Writ *diem clausit* to eschr. of Salop, 1481 (Fine Roll, 21 Edw. IV, m.6).

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* vol. ii. p. 254 (58/154).

⁶ Weyman, *op. cit.*

⁷ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, vol. i. Part I. p. 219.

⁸ *ibid.* p. 490.

⁹ Fine Rolls, 22 Hen. VI (m.4); 32 Hen. VI (m.15).

¹⁰ As of Coventry, draper, *alias* merchant, *alias* chapman (m.19).

¹¹ T. R. Whitley, *Parliamentary Representation of the City of Coventry*, p. 30.

¹² Jeayes, *Derbyshire Charters*, No. 2691. Not Roger Wilkinson of Swineshead, Lincs. Will, dat. 2 Oct. 1499, pr. 10 July 1500 (P.C.C., 2 Moone).

WILLIAM, JOHN (1415-80); of Southampton, merchant. M.P. Southampton 1455-6.

An elector, Southampton, 1449 (1) (then mayor), 1453, 1472; sheriff 1447-8; mayor and escheator, 1448-9, 1457,¹ and evidently in 1470. In 1450/3 Richard Walker sued John William and Ellen his wife executrix of John Halstede for lands and goods late of William Halstede in Salisbury.² In 1456 he had, while mayor, seized wheat brought to be shipped according to the King's letters patent. He was on Southampton comms. in 1457, and is described as "burgess and merchant" on the pardon roll of Jan. 1458 (m.40). J.P. Southampton borough, 6 June 1461 onwards; pardoned, with other ex-Lancastrian officials, 14 May 1462, "of Southampton, merchant, *alias* late mayor and escheator" (m.19). In 1465/70 Damyan de Peggo, freeman of Southampton, sued William, then mayor, for the seizure of his oil without reason given.³ In 1470/3 William managed, as mayor, to bring an action before himself;⁴ and in 1475/80, John Williams, merchant of Southampton, was an outlaw.⁵

WILLIAMS, (Sir) JOHN (1460-1508); of Burghfield, Berks. Yeoman of the cellar 1485-1508; Forester and Lieut. of Windsor 1488-1508. M.P. Reading 1489-90,⁶ 1491-2; (? for Windsor at other times).

S. of William ap Thomas ap William ap Gwyn; *m.* Elizabeth da. and coh. of Richard More of Burghfield (*q.v.*). Issue (1) Reynold, (2) John, afterwards Lord Williams of Thame.⁷

He came from France and up from Milford Haven to Bosworth with Henry Tudor; made groom for our mouth in our cellar, bailiff of Burley, Herts.,⁸ and parker of Oakley, Salop.⁹ In 1486, keeper of the artillery in Warwick castle; forester of Windsor, 1488; as cellarer he was granted a house in Cripplegate forfeited by Stafford of Grafton, 1488; present at Court at York's creation 1494; joint custodian of Hippenscombe Hey, Wilts., 1495; J.P. Berks., 10 July 1495 till death; present at the election of the mayor of Reading, 23 Oct. 1496; kntd. at Blackheath 1497; called yeoman of the crown in 1501;¹⁰ sheriff, Berks. and Oxon., 1502-3; subsidy commr. for Berks. (apptd. in Parlt.) 1504; jointly with John Biggs, bailiff of Surrey 1504; J.P. Oxon., 26 July 1504 till death; lieut. of Windsor in place of Sir William Norris (*q.v.*) deceased, 26 Apr. 1507; sheriff, Som. and Dorset, 1507 till death.

D. shortly before 23 July 1508.¹¹ His widow and exix. Isabel (Elizabeth) was pardoned 1509, as of "Birfield", Finchampstead and Stratfield-Mortimer, Berks., and of Playnsfield, Som.¹²

WILLIAMSON, WALTER. M.P. Hastings 1491-2.

A *Simon* Williamson was chamberlain of Dover 1440, living 1463;¹³ a Walter Williamson was bailiff of Winchester 1518; mayor of Winchester 1529.¹⁴

¹ Davies, *Southampton*.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 18/179.

³ *ibid.* 32/313.

⁴ *ibid.* 49/58.

⁵ *ibid.* 66/40.

⁶ He entered the Guild Mercht. of Reading—fine condoned—and was elected burgess to Parlt. the same day (*Guilding, Reading Diaries*, i. 86, 87).

⁷ *Geneal. N.S.* ii. 110; Lipscombe, *Bucks.* ⁸ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 76.

⁹ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 380. ¹⁰ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 499.

¹¹ *Inq. p.m.* 24 Hen. VII, C. Vol. 22, No. 20. ¹² *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 418, 1 (m.13).

¹³ Add. MSS. 29810, Brit. Mus. ¹⁴ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, ii. pp. 1333, 2330.

WILLOUGHBY, Sir JOHN (1421-77); of Broke, Wilts.
SHIRE 1467-8; SOMERSET 1472-5.

M.P. WILT-

S. and h. of John Willoughby (*d.* 1437) by Jane (Welby);¹ *m.* by 1448 Anne da. and coh. of Sir Edmund Cheyne of Broke by Alice aunt and in her issue h. of Humphrey Stafford, earl of Devon (*q.v.*). With her Willoughby acquired Broke house by Westbury; the other coh. *m.* Sir John Coleshill (*q.v.*) and Thomas Strangways (*q.v.*).²

On Lincs. comn. 1445; elector, Wilts., 1453; sheriff, Wilts., 1453-4; J.P. Wilts., 16 Mar. 1453 to 1470, 20 June 1471 till death. Sheriff, Som. and Dorset, 1455-6; had licence for a portable altar 1451; pardoned, Feb. 1455, "of Broke next Westbury esq., *alias* late of Boston, Lincs.", together with his wife, and in 1458, adding his sheriffdoms. A weekly market at Westbury was granted to him and Sir Thomas Seymour, Dec. 1460.³

He was on the Lancastrian comn. of array in Dec. 1459, and fought as Lancastrian at Towton;⁴ but kntd. 27 June 1461, and pardoned all forfeitures 24 July 1461 "of Broke kn., *alias* of Frampton, Lincs." Again pardoned with the other Lancastrian officials, Feb. 1462, and Mar. 1463. M.P. Wilts. 1467 and on all Wilts. comns. save those of the Readeption, which govt. pardoned him, 14 Feb. 1471. While M.P. for Somerset he was again made sheriff of Wilts., 1472-3.

D. 1477, succeeded by his s. Sir Robert, aged 25, who was sumnd. as first Lord Willoughby de Broke, 1489, and became Steward of the Household. Sir John's second s., Sir William (*b. c.* 1455), was a Member of the Commons House (*q.v.*).

WILLOUGHBY, Sir WILLIAM (1455-1513); of Bere, Dorset. Constable of Norwich and Master of the Harriers 1485-7; lawyer. M.P. SOMERSET 1491-2.

Yr. s. of Sir John Willoughby M.P. (1421-77) by Anne (Cheyne), and therefore yr. bro. of the first Lord Willoughby de Broke; *m.* Isabel.

Pardoned, Nov. 1484, but only as one of a number of feoffees in Norfolk. He must, however, have been with Henry Tudor in France. Kntd. at Bosworth; for service beyond seas and on this side, he was made constable of Norwich, 24 Sept. 1485;⁵ master of the King's harriers with wages from the ulnage on cloth in Somerset, 15 Oct. 1485⁶—both exempted from resumption in 1485-6⁷ but not later. Charlton and Shipton, Somerset, and Clifton, Glos., forfeited by Lord Zouch, were granted to him, 19 July 1486;⁸ J.P. Somerset, of the quorum, 1487 till death, and, later, of Dorset and Wilts. also. With his bro. lord Willoughby of Broke and Sir Robert Poyntz he was comsmd. to raise 2,000 men in Wilts., Hants, Glos., and Somerset to lead against Scotland, 21 Feb. 1497—but that effort did not get far. He was at Court—at York's creation 1494, at Catherine's reception 1501, at Henry VII's funeral; on Somerset comns. from 1497; subsidy commr. for Dorset, 1504, apptd. in Parl.

D. 1513;⁹ will, dat. 28 Nov. 1512, pr. 1513. To be bur. at Bere, Dorset.

¹ *Comp. Peer.* vii. pp. 452a, 478.

² *Geneal. N.S.* xxiv. 109.

³ *Cal. Charter Roll* (1460), p. 137.

⁴ Scofield, *Edw. IV.* i. 165.

⁵ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 54.

⁶ *ibid.* 88.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 371.

⁸ Campbell, *op. cit.* i. 509.

⁹ Last comn. of the peace, 4 Feb. 1513.

Masses for self and dame Isabel his w., and for John Willoughby and Anne his w. (parents) and for John Newborough (*q.v.*) and Thomas Malet. To various charities and churches; and to nephew Nicholas Willoughby who is exor. Supervisor:—William Carent (P.C.C., 30 Fetiplace).

WILLY (WILYS), JOHN (1405–70); of Salisbury, draper. M.P. Old Sarum 1437; Wilton 1439–40; Marlborough 1447; Old Sarum 1449 (1), 1449–50.

William Harper and John Willy, draper, conveyed a tenement in Minster Street, Salisbury, to Robert Warmwell in 1442, and in 1447 John Willy and Margaret his wife acquired two cottages in Castle street, Salisbury, from Warmwell.¹ A comn. was apptd. in 1451, because Willy of Salisbury had arrested the goods and merchandise of John Perryn of Guernsey, and Willy was to be brought before the King and Council in Chancery. In 1452 he was exempted for life from jury office, or from being elected burgess of any boro' to come to Parlt., because of defective hearing and weakness of body; pardoned that year as "merchant of Salisbury" (m.20); as citizen of Salisbury he enfeoffed William Swayne (*q.v.*) and Robert Sawser of his property, 1455; conveyed to Thomas Tropenell (*q.v.*) and other feoffees a tenement in Chippers lane, Salisbury, Aug. 1455; witnessed a charter in Salisbury, Oct. 1465.²

WILLY, WILLIAM (1410–70); of Norwich. M.P. Yarmouth 1449 (1).

In May 1462 a comn. was apptd. to enquire into the report that Thomas Brigge and William Willy were stirring up insurrections and false rumours in Norwich and elsewhere. He was dead by 1467/72, when John Palmer, a feoffee to uses of the will of William Willy the elder, was sued for a house in Norwich, late of William Willy the elder, and sold to William Willy the younger.³

WILMOT, RICHARD (1445–99); keeper of Dorchester Gaol. M.P. Dorchester 1491–2.

For his good service he was granted the office of keeper of Dorchester goal with the profit of the office, 29 Jan. 1488;⁴ grant renewed, 1489. He granted a burgage in Durnelane, Dorchester, to Thomas Hoskyns and Alice his wife, 10 Mar. 1492.⁵ Recently dead, 7 Nov. 1499, when the keepership of the gaol was void by the death of Richard Wilmot.⁶

WILN (WYLN), ROBERT (1415–80); of Melbourne, Derbys., gent. Yeoman of the Crown and Chamber 1437–60. M.P. Derby boro' 1453–4. Lancastrian.

Gervase Wiln was M.P. Derby boro' 1307.

Made yeoman of the crown with 6d. a day out of Oxon. and Berks. in Mar. 1437; exempted from resumption 1449/50 in respect of this office;⁷ and had livery of clothes as yeoman of the chamber in 1455 and 1458.⁸ In Feb. 1460, Robert Wiln, gentleman usher of the chamber, was granted for life the office of

¹ *Tropenell Cart.* i. 151, 236.

² *ibid.* i. 165, 240.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 30/112. There was another William Willy, probably a Welshman judging by the names of his companions, who was to be arrested by Jasper Tudor, earl of Pembroke, in 1459.

⁴ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 231.

⁵ Mayo & Gould, *Dorchester*, 309.

⁶ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1499), 185.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* v. 192.

⁸ *Exchr. Accts.* 361/6.

keeper of the park of Sheriff-Hutton, Yorks. ; pardoned, Dec. 1461, as " Robert Willyn of Melbourne, Derbys., gent." ;¹ again pardoned after the Readeption, as " of Melbourne, esq., *alias* of Geronden, Leics." ; sued by a priest in 1475/85 for detention of deeds of a messuage in Melbourne.²

WILSHAM (WYLSHAM), JOHN. M.P. Hastings 1467-8.
Undiscovered.

WILTON, HENRY (1435-1500) ; of Norwich. M.P. Norwich 1478.

Perhaps s. of John Wilton of Wilton by Blofield, Norf., gent., 1462.³

Feoffee for Sir Henry Ingles (*q.v.*) in Norfolk, 1456 ;⁴ as " of Norwich, gent." , he was exempted from office, 1464 ; a feoffee in Norwich, 1473 ; on gaol delivery, Norwich, 1487 ; apptd. by Parlt. to comn. on collrs. of subsidy for Norwich, 1496. Presumably dead before 1509, as not on that pardon roll.

WILYS see WILLY.

WIMBILL, WILLIAM (1455-87) ; of Ipswich. M.P. Ipswich 1485-6.

Perhaps s. of Robert Wimbill, bailiff of Ipswich in 1469.

He held various town offices 1484-6 only.

D. 1486/7 ; will, dat. 1 May 1485, pr. 24 Nov. 1487. To be bur. in St. Stephens, Ipswich. Houses to w. for life, except one, which is to go to the child, whether boy or girl, with which my w. is pregnant. Exors. :—w. Anne, Thomas Baldry, his mother, John Edgar, and Thomas Drayll (P.C.C., 5 Milles).

WIMESWOLD see WYMESWOLD.

WIND (WYND), RICHARD (1425-85) ; of Rye. M.P. Rye 1472-5, 1483 (Jan.).

About 1448/9 Richard Vynde was caught asleep on the watch at Rye and was condemned to lose his arms.⁵ A jurat 1451 to 1483. The Rye Chamberlain's accts. record payment to Wind as M.P. In 1474 he was paid 13s. 4d. and the next year 6s. 6d. as he was about to go to Parlt. He was also allowed 6d. for washing and 6d. for clothes.⁶ In 1483 he was allowed for 15 days at 2s. a day for the first Parlt. of that year.⁷ In 1476 he was a Rye representative at the Brotherhood meeting of the Cinque Ports at Romney.⁸ Mayor of Rye 1477-9.⁸

WINDSOR, THOMAS (1441⁹-85) ; of Stanwell, Mdsx., and of West Hagbourne, Berks. Usher of Chamber 1483-5 ; Const. of Windsor 1484-5 ; lawyer.

M.P. MIDDLESEX (? 1470-1), 1478, (? 1484).

S. and h. of Miles Windsor of Stanwell (*d.* 1452), by Jane da. of Walter Green of Bridgnorth ;¹⁰ *m.* 1466¹¹ Elizabeth da. and coh. of John Andrews of Baylham (*q.v.*) Suff., she *rem.* Sir Robert Lytton (*q.v.*).

He was pardoned, 20 Feb. 1456, as s. and h. of Miles Windsor of Stanwell ;

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1461), 85.

² *Early Chan. Proc.* 58/364.

³ Pardoned, 1462, as of Wilton by Blofield, Norf., gent. (m.30).

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. p. 241.

⁵ *Hist. MSS. Comn. Report V* (Rye MSS.), p. 490.

⁶ *ibid.* 494, 495.

⁷ Rye Chamberlain's accts. (1483), ii. fol. 33.

⁸ L. Vidler, *Rye*.

⁹ Aged 11 at his father's death.

¹⁰ The feoffees of Stanwell and Hawkesborn for Miles Windsor were pardoned 1456—Sir Gervase Clifton (*q.v.*), Walter Green (*q.v.*), Thomas Frowick (*q.v.*), and Thomas Windsor (m.9).

¹¹ He had licence to settle Stanwell on himself and wife Elizabeth and heirs, 1 Feb 1466.

a feoffee for John Bamme (*q.v.*) in Billingsgate, 1461, and still so in 1482.¹ Probably he is the Thomas Windsor, herald of the King, sent overseas with Wenlock (*q.v.*) in May 1461.² An elector, Mdsx., 1467; frequently a feoffee in Mdsx. and Essex, and for Lord Hastings in N'hants., 1461-85; J.P. Mdsx., of the quorum, 17 Jan. to Apr. 1471, and 10 Nov. 1475 till death; on comns., Mdsx., 1476 to the array, Dec. 1484, and including the subsidy comns. of Apr. and Aug. 1483, but not that of Feb. 1484. Perhaps M.P. 1484. Pardoned, 10 May 1472, as of Stanwell, late of London, late of Beylham, Suff. (m.29); exor. to his mother-in-law "Dame" Elizabeth Andrews,³ and in 1478 of the will of William York of London, gent.,⁴ and of his wife's sister and coheir Alice Wyche⁵—therefore probably a lawyer. Windsor was sumnd. for knighthood at Edward V's coronation, but neither event took place.

He took out a pardon under Richard III, 13 Mar. 1484,⁶ and being cousin to the Catesbys, that King made him usher of the chamber and constable of Windsor with £30 a year, 9 Apr. 1484.⁷ It would appear that his lands were seized after Bosworth, for on 22 Sept. 1485 he was pardoned and his lands ordered to be restored; next day he was granted Kennington manor to farm at £20 a year.⁸ He may even have been wounded at Bosworth, for he died 29 Sept. 1485, bur. at Stanwell. His s. and h. Andrew, afterwards first Lord Windsor, was then aged 18. The son, widow, and Francis Catesby had a regrant of the farm of Kennington, 12 Nov. 1485,⁹ and the widow was pardoned all his arrears of account as constable of Windsor, 2 Mar. 1486.¹⁰

Will of Thomas Windsor of Stanwell, dat. 13 Aug. 1479, pr. 15 Feb. 1486.¹¹ Bur. at Stanwell. M.I.

WING (WHYNGE), JOHN (1415-75); of Rowden, Wilts. Lawyer? M.P. Chippenham 1449-50; Downton 1450-1.

The Pardon Roll, 9 Dec. 1468, includes John Wynges, "late of Rowden, Wilts., yeoman" (m.11). He was attorney for John Cheyne of Pynne in 1470, and attorney for George Rede in Great Cheverell, Wilts., the same year.¹²

WING, THOMAS. M.P. Southwark 1459.
Undiscovered.

WINGFIELD, Sir JOHN (1428-81); of Letheringham, Suff. P.C. 1462.
M.P. SUFFOLK 1478.

S. and h. of Sir Robert Wingfield of same M.P. (1400-54) by Elizabeth (Gawsell). He *m.* Elizabeth,¹³ da. of Sir John FitzLewis of West Horndon, Essex, by Anne da. of John Montagu, earl of Salisbury; by her he had 12 sons and

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv, vi.

² Issue Roll, No. 823.

³ *Test. Vetusta*, 331.

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii, p. 555. ⁵ *Test. Vetusta*, 337. ⁶ As of Stanwell, Mdsx., esq. (m.19).

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 391.

⁸ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 32.

⁹ Palmer's Index to the Fine Rolls.

¹⁰ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 336.

¹¹ To be bur. at Stanwell, and to have a plain tomb of "marbyl of a competetent higg." Masses for self, parents, and Dame Alice Wyche and John Andrew and Elizabeth. His das. Elizabeth and Alice to be content with what they have received. Bequest to yr. s. Anthony; lands to s. Andrew; da. Anne to have 100 marks for her marriage to George s. and h. of William Puttenham. Residue to w. Elizabeth. Exors. :—w. Elizabeth, Sir John Cokett, Edward Cheseman. Overseer :—my cousin John Catesby (P.C.C., 14 Logge).

¹² *Tropenell Cart.* ii. 267, 268.

¹³ She is bur. at Letheringham; will, dat. 14 July 1497, pr. at Norwich, 22 Dec. 1500 (*ibid.* pp. 1-2).

4 daughters. His s. and h. Sir John and his s. Edward *m. das.* respectively of Lord Audley and Earl Rivers;² his son Sir Richard was K.G. and father of eight by Katherine sister of Elizabeth Wydevile; his younger brother Sir Robert (*d.* 1481)² was M.P.; his sister *m.* Sir William Brandon.³

He founded a chantry at Stradbroke, 1455;⁴ sheriff, Norf. and Suff., 1454-5 and 1462-3; pardoned, Nov. 1455; on Suffolk comns. from 1456 to the array of Dec. 1484, including the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459; elector, Suffolk, 1459; J.P. Suffolk, 8 July 1457 to 12 May 1460, 13 June to 4 Dec. 1470, 4 July 1471 to 3 Sept. 1481, 1485 to 28 Feb. 1494; kntd., 26 June 1461; pardoned, with other ex-Lancastrian officers, 2 Feb. 1462 and 1469; P.C., with £40 a year, 1462;³ an apportioner of the subsidy, Suffolk, in 1463;⁵ on a comn., Wilts., 1469; and in Essex, July 1471. He was pardoned by Warwick's government, Feb. 1471; sheriff, Norfolk and Suffolk, 1471-2; was granted a weekly market and two yearly fairs at Laxfield, Suff., Nov. 1472.⁶ He was called "King's Counsellor" when sent to negotiate with the French embassy at Amiens, 20 July 1477. He took no part under Richard III, but was granted in Apr. 1487, for his services and losses, £40 a year from the Duchy of Norfolk lands in Surrey and Sussex.

D. 10 May 1481; buried at Letheringham. M.I.⁷

WINGFIELD (WYNGGEFELD), Sir ROBERT (1400-54); of Letheringham, Suffolk. M.P. HERTFORDSHIRE 1449-50.

S. and h. of Sir Robert Wingfield of the same, M.P., by Elizabeth, da. of John Russell of Strensham; *m.* Elizabeth, da. and coh. of Sir Robert Gawsell by Elizabeth, da. of Richard, earl of Arundel, and widow of Thomas Mowbray, duke of Norfolk (*d.* 1399). Sir Robert had issue—Sir John Wingfield M.P., William, and Sir Robert Wingfield M.P.

Kntd. 19 May 1426. According to the *Paston Letters* he had got John Liston outlawed in Nottinghamshire, "who had been awarded 700 marks damages against Sir Robert in an assize in Suffolk"; so a comn. was apptd. in Suffolk touching the evil doers who with Robert Wingfield knt. had committed riots, Dec. 1447. In the result he was put into the Marshalsea prison and pardoned, Feb. 1448. The "riots" were the Duke of Norfolk's view of the matter; for in Sept. 1448 Wingfield was complaining of the Duke that he had brought "canons" by night and besieged Letheringham, and set coals of fire in the litters of his beds, and carried away his goods to the value of £1,200 and William Brandon's goods as well.⁸ Wingfield was denounced in Parlt. in 1450 as one of the King's misguiding advisers, but he was on comns. again by 1451. He died, however, 1454.

WINGFIELD, Sir ROBERT (1430-81); of East Harling, Norfolk. Controller of the Household 1474-81. M.P. SUFFOLK 1455-6;⁹ NORFOLK 1472-5.⁹ Yorkist.

² Davy, *Suffolk Pedigrees*.

² *Muniments of Family of Wingfield*.

³ His 9th s. is the ancestor of the Powerscourt family. His da. Katherine *m.* Robert Brewes (*q.v.*); his s. Sir William (*d. s.p.* 1491), *m.* Jane, da. of Thomas and sister of William Waldegrave (*q.v.*).

⁴ *Mun. Wingfield*, pp. 22-3.

⁵ Fine Roll, 3 Edward IV. M.P.s were not appointed. ⁶ *Cal. Charter Rolls*, vi, 240.

⁷ *Mun. Wingfield*, p. 2; *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Humphrey Wingfield.

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1448), 236.

⁹ Whenever returned to Parliament, his brother was the sheriff making the return!

Yr. s. of Sir Robert Wingfield of Letheringham M.P. (1400-54) by Elizabeth (Gawsell); and yr. bro. to Sir John Wingfield M.P. (1428-81); *m.* Anne da. and h. of Sir Robert Harling, of East Harling, Norfolk, and Lownde, Suffolk, and widow of Sir William Chamberlain. She was pardoned, May 1484,¹ survived till 1488, but had no issue.

He should have gone to France in 1450, but his Letters of Protection were withdrawn, 24 Jan. 1451; pardoned, 6 Feb. 1455, as "of Framlingham castle, esq., alias late of Letheringham"—evidently the Duke of Norfolk's servant, living at the Duke's castle; on Norfolk comns. 1460 to 1480; kntd., 15 Dec. 1464/20 Feb. 1466, probably with the others at Queen Elizabeth's coronation, 26 May 1465; J.P. Norfolk, 20 Feb. 1466 to 1470, removed at the Readeption. He went into exile and returned with Edward IV.

J.P. Norfolk, 20 June 1471 till death; J.P. Suffolk, 4 July 1471 to 10 Nov. 1475; J.P. Surrey, 16 Oct. to 10 Nov. 1475; called "King's Knight" in 1471. John Paston writes to Sir John Paston, 23 Jan. 1472, that he cannot get £10 out of Sir Robert Wingfield, who says he shall have the fairest harness they can buy for silver in London "but money can I not get".² On 21 Sept. 1472 he writes—the duke of Norfolk and duke of Suffolk were agreed more than a fortnight ago to have Sir Robert Wingfield and Sir Richard Harcourt as knights for the shire.³ Sir Robert had been pardoned, 12 Feb. 1472 "of Estharlyng, knt." Before the 1472-5 Parliament was dissolved he had been made controller of the Household, and on 14 Apr. 1475 he had a grant of free warren and a weekly market and two yearly fairs at East Harling.⁴ Doubtless as controller he offered John Paston 20 marks for a cloth of gold, but Paston wanted more.⁵ At the same time Sir Robert seems to have been on the duke of Suffolk's council with his brother Sir John, Sir Richard Harcourt, Sir Thomas Brewes and Sir William Calthorpe.⁶ In Dec. 1476 he was made parker of Lopham, Norfolk, and steward of the lands of the late duke in Norfolk and Suffolk during the minority of Anne of Norfolk. At Christmas 1478 the controller was made steward of the lordship of Richmond in Norfolk and Suffolk; in 1479 he intended to build at Brigham;⁷ the custody of a minor was granted him, 13 Aug. 1480; but on 13 Nov. 1481 he was "lately deceased".⁸ His accounts as controller for 1479-80 are among the *Exchequer Accounts*.

WINNESLEY (WYNNESLEY), RICHARD (1395-1445); bailiff of the Abbot's Liberty. M.P. Leominster 1422, 1427, 1432, 1442.

On a Shropshire comn. 1439; 40 marks were owed to him in Heref. 1433; sworn to the peace in Heref. 1434; elector, Heref., 1435, 1442 (when returned for the boro' by himself as abbot's bailiff).⁹ In 1447 there was a different bailiff of the Abbot's Liberty, and Winnesley was not returned. He was perhaps dead, but a

¹ "Of Est Harlyng, widow of the Contrroller of the Household to Edward IV, Receiver of the Honor of Richmond in Norfolk and Suffolk, formerly wife of Sir William Chamberlain" (*m.* 13). ² *Paston Letters*, iii. 35. ³ *ibid.* iii. 53.

⁴ *Cal. Charter Rolls* (1475), 243.

⁵ *Paston Letters*, iii. 149.

⁶ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. p. 69.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1479), 154.

⁸ *ibid.* (1481), 285.

⁹ The Leominster return for 1442 is peculiar in that the indenture is made between Richard Winnesley, bailiff of the liberty of the Abbot of Reading in Leominster, of the one part, and Thomas Kerver, bailiff of the boro' of Leominster, of the other part; so that Winnesley returned himself.

Wynsley of Todyngton (Toddington), Glos., *alias* Richard Wymesley of Webbley (Weobley), was pardoned, 30 June 1468 (m.11).

WINSLOW (WYNSELAWE), THOMAS (1400-63); of Eldersfield, Worcs., and Ramsbury, Wilts. Steward of Marlborough 1461-3. Lawyer. M.P. WORCESTERSHIRE 1449-50; WILTSHIRE 1455-6.

S. and h. of William Winslowe of Ramsbury, yeoman of the chamber and pavillioner to Richard II (*d.* 1414), by Agnes, da. and event. h. of Sir Thomas Poure of Blackbourton, Oxon., and Garford, Berks. His mother *rem.* Robert Andrew of Blunsdon, Wilts. (*d.* 1437 *s.p.*).¹ *M.* Agnes, second da. of John Throckmorton M.P. (1385-1445), and had Elizabeth, *m.* John Terrambere and Humphrey Seymour; Isabel, *m.* Ralph Seymour; Agnes, *m.* John Gifford of Twyford, Bucks.; and Jane, *m.* Henry Hall.

Eschr. Glos., 1440-1; the feoffees settled Wanting-Bryan on his mother Agnes for life, with remainder to Thomas Winslow and Agnes his wife, Dec. 1441;² with Agnes his wife he presented to the church of Wendlebury, Oxon. in 1443 and 1452; elector, Worcs., 1442, 1449 (1); and of Glos. 1447; J.P. Worcs., of the quorum, 18 Dec. 1444 to 25 Jan. 1459. He was commissioned in Sept. 1450 to raise the King's lieges against traitors in Wilts—this was in connection with Cade's rebellion. He is called Thomas Winslow "of Ramsbury" in a Throckmorton deed of 1451; pardoned, 17 Nov. 1452, as "of Eldersfield, Worcs., gent., *alias* of Ramsbury, Wilts." (m.4). He sold his manor of Bryans, Berks., to John Roger M.P. in 1456 for 240 marks. In 1458 he was settling lands in Oxon. and Wilts. on the marriage of his da. Elizabeth.

D. shortly before 21 Mar. 1463, when George Darrell was granted the stewardship of Marlborough and Devizes, Wilts., in the King's hands by reason of the death of Thomas Winslow. Whether Thomas Winslow of the Exchequer, who was returned for Lyme Regis in 1455-6, was a relation remains doubtful.

WINSLOW (WYNSELOWE), THOMAS (1420-81); of the Exchequer; customer and draper of London; and of Bundish, Essex. M.P. Lyme Regis 1455-6; London 1463-5.

Clerk of the Exchequer to Robert Rolleston, the Under Treasurer, 13 July 1446, when was paid 20s. for writing diverse rolls for the Treasurer in the present parliament held at Westminster;³ and associated with Lord Saye, the Treasurer (1449-50), as administrator of the estate of William Crowmer (*q.v.*),⁴ and as Saye's partner in a ship later (1454) charged with piracy by the burgomaster of Dordrecht. He was regularly paid £20 at the Exchequer from 8 Apr. 1451, and was surely the M.P. for the Treasury boro' of Lyme Regis in 1455. A collr. of customs and subsidy in the port of London 1451-8; auditor of the city of London 1454-6; pardoned as collr. of customs in the port of London 1458;⁴ pardoned again 1468—"draper, late of Burndysshe, Essex, late controller of customs". He was also an important member of the city corpn.—one of those sent in June 1460 to persuade the earls to keep out of the city;⁵ and in Oct. 1460 on the comn. apptd. by the Common

¹ In 1437 the feoffees of Robert Andrew empower Winslow to deliver seisin of Wanting-Bryan to Agnes, widow of Robert Andrew.

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 195.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1 Feb. 1458 (m.11).

³ Issue Roll, Easter 24 Hen. VI, No. 762.

⁵ *Jor.* 6, fo. 238.

Council to promote the interests of the city in the coming Parlt.¹ At the Queen's coronation, 1465, he waited on the mayor as chief butler of England.²

D. 17 May 1481, when his das. Margaret w. of William "Umge" (?) and Elizabeth wife of Richard Hawkins, aged respectively 32 and 31, were his heirs. Lands—Bundish, Essex.

WINTER, EDMUND (1420-80); of Ipswich, pewterer. M.P. Ipswich 1453-4.

Perhaps a yr. s. of Edmund Winter M.P. Norfolk (*d.* 1447).³

He first appears in a list of "ambidexters", *i.e.* jurymen who took money from both sides, 1451.⁴ John Smith and Winter were elected burgesses for Ipswich as early as 15 Sept. 1452, and on 6 May 1453 "the said Edmund hath granted that he will serve at his own charges".⁵ Chamberlain of Ipswich 1452-3; bailiff 1456-7, 1459-60 (making the Nov. 1459 return), 1462-3, 1466-7, 1476-7.⁶ Edmund and William Winter were feoffees in Ipswich, Nov. 1459, surviving Aug. 1461.⁷ Edmund's house in Ipswich was called Woodhouse, 1465. In 1467 John Gosse and Winter were bailiffs and justices of Ipswich.⁸ Described as "merchant of Ipswich" he sued Thomas Elys, merch. of Norwich, in 1467/72; and at the same time he sued Elys and Sir Thomas Brewes concerning an outrageous award made by Brewes as umpire between Winter and Elys, after it had been agreed to supersede the said Brewes by another arbitrator.⁹ In 1473, 62s. 10d. was owed to Edmund Winter of Ipswich, pewterer.

Dead by 1494/5, when John Winter esq. held land in Norf., with remainder to the heirs of the body of Edmund Winter and Olive his wife.¹⁰

WINTER, HENRY (1440-94); of Newbold, Leics. M.P. Bletchingley 1472-5.

He can best be identified with the Henry Winter who *d.* 12 Apr. 1494, seised of Newbold, Worthington and Breedon, Leics., which he held of the Duchy of Lancaster—his s. and h. Robert was then 24.¹¹ We cannot say who might control Bletchingley in 1472, unless it were the Lady Margaret. It may be the Leics. man who in 1463 was a collector of the subsidy in Derbyshire¹² and was on 16 Apr. 1464 apptd. customer of Southampton.¹³

WINTER, JOHN (1415-70); of Canterbury. M.P. Canterbury 1449-50.

John Winter of Canterbury was one of those pardoned for being out with Cade in 1450; he was a commr. in Kent in 1458; an elector of Canterbury 1460; and mayor of the city 1459-60. As such, he opened the gates to the earls when they came in June 1460—or perhaps the "three Captains" pushed him aside and opened the gates themselves.

¹ Jor. 6, fo. 272.

² Jor. 7, fo. 98.

³ Davy, Add. MS. 19156 (287).

⁴ *Paston Letters*, i. 192.

⁵ Bacon, *Ipswich*, 110.

⁶ He is also described as "Bailiff of Ipswich" when witness to a Norfolk deed dat. 28 Nov. 1470.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. pp. 180, 195, 219.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 10/231.

⁹ *ibid.* 44/241; 45/344.

¹⁰ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.*

¹¹ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.*, i. p. 476.

¹² Fine Roll, 3 Edward IV (m.15).

¹³ Fine Roll, 4 Edward IV (m.5).

D. 1470; will, dat. 10 Apr. 1469, pr. at Canterbury 18 Dec. 1470.¹ His widow Jane *d.* 1492, will pr. at Canterbury. M.I. (brass) in St. Margaret's ch., Canterbury.

WISCARD (WYCHARD), THOMAS (1415-69); ? of Clifton, Beds., esq. M.P. BEDFORDSHIRE 1453-4.

A most elusive man; Miss Fletcher could not find him. The third letter is undoubtedly "c" on the Return, not "t". Two hundred years earlier a Geoffrey Wiscard was of Clifton by Biggleswade; and the M.P. was probably the Thomas Wysshard recently dead in 1469. Debt owed to Thomas Wyssard in Beds., 1 June 1469, and sued for by Alice, late w. of Thomas Wysshard and John Hunt, exors. of the will of Thomas Wysshard esq.² In 1465 Thomas Rede (*q.v.*), claiming through his mother, da. and h. of Nicholas Grimbaud, sued Thomas Wysshard and Alice his wife for Chalversterne (Chawston), Beds., and Alice declared that the land was her inheritance.³ The name derives from the Norman Guiscard (*cf.* Roger Guiscard), just as Walter and William came from Gualtier and Guillaume.

WISE, JOHN (1420-77); of Salisbury, draper. M.P. Salisbury 1463-5.

Mayor of Salisbury in 1454 and 1460-1. D. 1477; will pr. 1477 in P.C.C. (33 Wattys), as of Salisbury.

WISE, ROBERT; cadet of Marystow, Devon. M.P. Plympton 1442.

He took part with Thomas Wise (*q.v.*) in the looting of the Irish horses in 1440, and was probably a cadet of Sydenham though his name is not in the printed pedigrees of that family.

WISE (WYSE), THOMAS (1417⁴-74); of Sydenham in Marystow, Devon. King's esquire. M.P. DEVONSHIRE 1432, 1447, 1450-1.

S. and h. of Oliver Wise (*d.* 1421), and nephew of John Wise, M.P. for Bodmin in 1422;⁴ *m.* the heiress of Robert Britt of Shottiscombe. Their son John had Alice Wyse, mother of John Russell, first earl of Bedford.

Eschr. of Devon 1438-9. In Dec. 1440 a ship laden with horses from Ireland and consigned to Brittany had been driven by tempests into Dartmouth. The King's esquire, Thomas Wise, maintained that ship and horses were forfeit to the King, and informed the King. The King granted the horses to his esquire, reserving six of the best for the King. But in 1441 merchants of Ireland sued Thomas Wise for seizing horses from their ship, "*The Christopher of Sluys*", sailing from Drogheda to Brittany, and we know not who kept the horses.⁵

On Devon comms. 1439 to 1450; J.P. Devon, 6 May 1440 to 26 Nov. 1451; pardoned 1446, as of Sidenham, Devon, esq. (m.15); sent to Cornwall to take some prisoners, Feb. 1446;⁶ an elector, Devon, 1449 (2) and 1472; again on

¹ To be bur. in St. Margaret's next Thomas Forster (*q.v.*). Two tenements at Yrencrosse in St. Margarets for a lamp. Tenements formerly of his father Laurence Winter to wife Jane for life, reversion to John Rotherham (*q.v.*) and Alice "his wife my daughter", charged with 20 marks each, to Jane da. of William Denington (formerly husband of his da. Alice), to Amice da. of Thomas Forster esq. (*q.v.*), and to Alice da. of Nicholas Baker. All other lands to wife for life, reversion to da. Alice and to said Alice Baker, remainder to Jane Forster, da. of his da. Alice. Residue to w., and she exor. with John Rotherham and James Aas (Cant. Prob. Reg. A. i. ff. 332d-333).

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1469), 143.

³ *Geneal. N.S.* xix, pp. 101, 102.

⁴ *Inq. p.m.* Oliver Wise (C. 139.23.27). ⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 45/25. ⁶ Issue Roll.

comns. of array, etc., all Lancastrian, up to June 1460, but pardoned June 1462.¹

D. shortly before 6 May 1474, when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Devon.²

WISEMAN, SIMON (1440³-97); of Thornham, esq. M.P. SUFFOLK (? 1487), 1491-2.

S. of John Wiseman of same (d. 1480/6), by Anne Wyndham; m. Margaret da. of (Edward) de Bokenham, and had John, William, and das.⁴

On Suffolk comns. from the array of May 1484 onwards, including the array of May 1491, and the subsidy of Jan. 1488; J.P. Suffolk, 20 Sept. 1485 to 28 Feb. 1494 and 20 Nov. 1496 till death. At Easter 1486 he was suing an attorney of the Court of King's bench for half Tasburgh manor, Norf.;⁵ sheriff, Norf. and Suff., 1489-90; a feoffee for Lord Morley in Norfolk, 1490;⁶ was owed £20 in Suffolk 1494.

D. shortly before 21 Oct. 1497, when the writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschrs. of Norfolk and Suffolk.⁷

WISPINGTON (WYSPYNGTON), NICHOLAS (1400-50); ald. of York.

M.P. York city 1439-40.

Wispington is in Lincs.; he m. Jane.

Made free of York city, 1425; chamberlain 1431;⁸ was a beneficiary under the will of Nicholas Blackburn of York, 1431/2;⁹ entered the guild, 1432.⁸ Under the will of William Ormeshead of York, 1435, he is mentioned as Nicholas s. of Nicholas Wispington;¹⁰ sheriff of York, 1433-4; described as alderman in the comn. to raise a loan in York, Feb. 1436; elector of York city, 1437, 1442.

WITHAM (WYTHOM), (Sir) HUGH (1410-53); of Kirton in Holland, Lincs. Customer, etc. M.P. Taunton 1449-50.

In 1440/1 Hugh s. of Margaret Witham sued John Kirton for interest on the money entrusted to William English, late husband of Kirton's wife.¹¹ He was exempted from holding office 1442; called King's squire, 22 Feb. 1445, when made troner and peseur in Boston; J.P. Holland, 4 Feb. 1444 till death; J.P. Kesteven and Lindsey, 12 Mar. 1448 till death; gauger in the port of Boston, 16 July 1449; one of the collectors of customs and subsidy at King's Lynn in July 1452.¹²

About 1450 Tailboys writes to Lord Beaumont "Hugh Withom has said that he would be in peace and not malign me; notwithstanding with three servants he has attacked my servant at Boston, and wounded him and thrown him in prison." The Lord Welles had come and taken away Tailboys' servant, probably to Lincoln castle.¹³ On Lincs. comns. 1445 till Feb. 1453, when called knt. He was perhaps kntd. at Xmas 1452, and died before the end of 1453. He certainly was kntd., for in 1460/5 Richard Walcote sued William Orme, feoffee of Hugh Withom knt., for the manor of Kirton in Holland; and Richard Halmar of Weston, Lincs., sued Katherine, late wife and exix. of Hugh Witham knt. for damages—he having

¹ Pardon Roll, June 1462, as of Norton Sydenham *alias* late of Keme, Devon, esq. (m.20).

² Fine Roll, 14 Edw. IV (m.18).

³ Or even 1435—for how else explain that John s. of Simon Wyseman sued for deeds concerning lands in Thetford in 1480/3 (*Early Chan. Proc.* 36/49).

⁴ Davy, Suffolk Collns.—Brit. Mus., Add. MS. 19156, 28 to 42.

⁵ *Geneal. N.S.* xxii. 29. ⁶ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 521. ⁷ Fine Roll, 13 Hen. VII (m.1).

⁸ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records. ⁹ *Test. Ebor.* v. 18. ¹⁰ *ibid.* ii. 19.

¹¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 11/205. ¹² Issue Roll, 30 Hen. VI, No. 788. ¹³ *Paston Letters*, ii. 96-7.

been carried off while a child by the said Hugh and sold to Henry Bosome of St. Neots.¹

We cannot explain why he sat for the bp. of Winchester's boro' of Taunton; but there are no Hugh Withams at all in Somerset. He may, however, have been brother to Thomas Witham, Chancellor of the King's Exchequer, 1455-60, who could easily have found a seat, as well as a post, for a relation.

WITHY (WYTHYG), THOMAS (1400-56); ald. of Oxford; tailor.² M.P. Oxford boro' 1449 (1).

Probably s. of Richard Wythyg, M.P. Oxford 1429, 1431.

Chamberlain of Oxford 1429-30; elector 1442; was sued for tenements in Oxford, 1433/43.³ J.P. for the town, 4 Oct. 1444 till death; an ald. from 1445, when a parishioner of St. Michael's parish at the south gate of Oxford.⁴ He was still ald. 18 Nov. 1455,² but *d.* soon after, for his will, which has no date, signature or proof, includes a deed dat. 20 Oct. 1454, by which he and his wife Margaret enfeoff Sir Richard Tunstall (*q.v.*), Richard Spragat (*q.v.*) and others of four tenements in Oxford, "so that the craft of tailours should keep a priest singing masses" at 4 marks a year, praying for Thomas Wythyg and Margaret.⁵

WODE or WODE.... see WOOD or WOOD....

WODRYNTON see WIDDRINGTON.

WOLATON, JOHN. M.P. Calne 1453-4.

A man of this name owned a tenement in London in 1460.

WOLFE, JOHN (1425-83); of Kentisbury, Devon; servant to the Bp. of Winchester. M.P. Taunton 1453-4; Downton 1459; Taunton 1460-1; and probably somewhere in 1470-1.

S. of Geoffrey Wolfe of Kentisbury (Pole, *Collections*, pp. 406, 430).

Pardoned 1449; eschr., Devon and Corn., 1453-4, being apptd. while M.P.; exempted from all office, Mar. 1457; and in Dec. 1457 John Wolfe, King's squire, and his heirs were granted free warren in Kentisbury with licence to enclose, to build a town, to embattle, crenellate and machicolate.⁶ Wolfe was pardoned, 27 Mar. 1458, as "of Kentysbury esq., *alias* late of Wolvesnemet,⁷ Devon, late of Combemartin, late of Bokelondmanor, Devon, late of Stoke, Hants, of Merewell and Otterburn, Hants, *alias* late of London" (m.9). In Oct. 1458 he was made, during pleasure, controller of customs and deputy butler in Bridgwater. His final pardon, after the Readeption, 2 Dec. 1471, makes it clear that he was a servant of William of Waynflete, bp. of Winchester, who controlled the boroughs of Taunton and Downton and lived at Farnham; so that it is quite likely that his servant Wolfe sat in the Readeption Parlt. Pardon to John Wolfe of Kentisbury esq., *alias* late of Westminster, *alias* late of London, *alias* of Winchester, *alias* of Farnham, Surrey, esq.

D. 31 Mar. 1483, when Anthony, aged 24, was his s. and h. Lands—Devon.

WOLSELEY, RALPH (1425-1504); of Wolseley, Staffs. Baron of the Exchequer 1467-70, 1478-84. M.P. Newcastle-under-Lyme 1449-50; Gatton 1478. Yorkist.

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 28/471, 29/72.

² *Ex inf.* Dr. Salter.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 39/71.

⁴ *Oxford City Documents*; *Munimenta Civ. Oxon.* p. 207.

⁵ *Liber Albus*, pp. 74, 81.

⁶ *Cal. Charter Rolls*, vi. 129.

⁷ Now Woolfin in Down St. Mary, probably a contraction of Woolfinemet.

S. and h. of Thomas Wolseley of same (*d.* 1478), by Margery da. of John Broughton of Longdon, Staffs. *M.* (1) Agnes da. of Sir Thomas and sis. of Walter Blount, lord Mountjoy; (2) *c.* 1468 Margaret da. of Sir Robert Aston of Tixall, Staffs., and widow of Kinnersley, of Loxley, Staffs.

He was granted the pannage of Cannock Chase, 1446; exempted from all juries, etc., 1448; in London practising at the bar, and a Yorkist 1456. Under the Yorkist govt. he was commissioned to arrest the Lancastrian, Edward Basset; and made receiver of the forfeited estates of Lancastrians in Essex, Salop and Cambs., 1461; J.P. Staffs., of the quorum, 11 Dec. 1463 to 1485, Nov. 1486 to Jan. 1496, and May 1501 till death. He acquired land at Dover and was victualler of Calais (under his brother-in-law, lord Mountjoy), 4 July 1465 to 13 Dec. 1466, when the mayors of the staple became *ex officio* victuallers. He was in some partnership with Hugh Wych, the governor of the Mint, who was prosecuted in 1467.¹ But in 1467 Wolseley was made a Puisne Baron of the Exchequer. Edward IV granted him licence to crenelate and empark 1,000 acres at Wolseley, 3 July 1469, and then the Lancastrians returned and he was deprived of his post at the Exchequer. He sued Sir John Gresley, his neighbour at Colton, "for malicious indictment of complainant and his father for felony" at Gresley in a dispute as to common rights at Wolseley, 1470;² and he had in the following years endless disputes with Gresley and with the Bp. of Lichfield over his enclosures at Wolseley.³ He bought land nearby at Colton and Broughton.⁴ He was re-apptd. as 4th Baron of the Exchequer, 8 Mar. 1478, but he lost the post again 24 Sept. 1484, nor was he restored by Henry VII. In 1480 he sued his predecessor's executors for money he had had from the customers of Southampton for the robes of the 4th Baron.⁵ A litigious and powerful person!

D. 25 Mar. 1504, John, aged 30, being his s. and h. An early 17th century writer calls him "ye greatest man that ever was of this Family," little dreaming of Cromwell's Peer, or of Sir Charles the radical, or of Sir Garnet Wolseley.⁶

WOLSTON, (Sir) GUY (1435-1504); of Apethorpe. Usher of the Chamber 1466-79; Squire of the Body 1479-83; Constable of Fotheringhay 1464. *M.P.* NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 1472-5.

Perhaps s. of William Wolston; elector, N'hants., 1447; *m.* (1) Margaret (*d.* 1476), widow of John Pynchebek of Lincs.,⁷ (2) Margaret.⁸

Eschr., N'hants. and Rtld., 1465-6; sheriff, N'hants., 1468-9, 1491-2. J.P. N'hants., 16 Nov. 1467 to 16 Mar. 1468, 12 July to 16 Nov. 1470, 28 May 1472 to 7 Dec. 1500; J.P. Hunts., 26 June 1502 till death; on many N'hants. comms. including 1483-5. As King's servt. and on account of good services rendered to the King and his father, he was granted the keeping of Fotheringhay, Sept. 1464; as King's squire and usher of the chamber, he had the keeping of lands in Chesham,

¹ *Early Chan. Proc.* 44/198.

² *ibid.* 32/300.

³ *Staffs. Colls.*, 1934, pp. 77-94.

⁴ *Staffs. Colls.*, 1917, pp. 234-5.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 61/457.

⁶ *Staffs. Colls.*, 1934, 94.

⁷ Writ of *diem clausit* on Margaret wife of Guy Wolston and widow of John Pynchebek, issued to the eschr. of Lincs., 28 Oct. 1476 (Fine Roll, 16 Edw. IV, m.17).

⁸ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1488) mention a Guy Wolston and Elizabeth his wife, late wife of John Middleton, mercer of London. This cannot be a second wife to Sir Guy, as Dame Margaret the mother of his married da. was alive in 1498. Wolston was kntd. by 1488, and this man is not so described.

Bucks., Sept. 1466. Pardoned 1471, as of Apethorpe, *alias* verderer of the bailiwick of King's Cliff in the forest of Rockingham. He is not otherwise mentioned during the Readeption. Between 1475 and 1479 he had several small grants of custodies, and 20 Feb. 1480 he was granted 50 marks a year out of the Honor of Richmond in Lincs. His grants were all exempted from resumption in Jan. 1483.¹ Kntd., 24 Nov. 1487; pardoned 1499, as "late squire of the body to Edward IV *alias* late receiver of lands of Constance, countess of Wilts." (m.41).

D. shortly before 22 Aug. 1504.² His da. and h. Audrey m. Thomas, s. and h. of Sir Richard Empson, for which marriage Empson paid £100.³

WOLSTON, JOHN (1400-50); of Staverton, Devon. M.P. Barnstaple 1433, 1435; Tavistock 1437; Plymouth 1442.

Elector, Devon, 1429. He held lands at Newton, Totnes, Bovy and Tor Bryan, Devon;⁴ as of Staverton, frequently a feoffee, 1430-5;⁵ acted as agent for Exeter cathedral in 1448 and for bishop Lacy in 1449.⁴ In 1445 John Carswell of Totnes and John Wolston of Staverton, heirs of Thomas Gyll the younger (*q.v.*), late of Hacche Arundel, sued Agnes, late wife of Thomas Pomeray, *re* muniments in Devon.⁶ D. c. 1450.⁷

WOOD, CHRISTOPHER (1435-90); of Dorset. M.P. Shaftesbury 1460-1.

Perhaps s. of John Wood, M.P. Melcombe 1442. Pardoned, 8 Feb. 1488 as one of the feoffees of John Newburgh (*q.v.*) (m.3).

WOOD, JOHN. M.P. Melcombe 1442.

Melcombe is in Dorset, and a John Wood was a Dorset elector in 1453. Also there was a Christopher Wood who was Member for Melcombe in 1460. Therefore one may guess John Wood to be a local man, probably a burgess of Melcombe.

WOOD (WODE), JOHN (1415-85); of Midhurst, gent. M.P. Midhurst 1435 "jun.", 1437 "jun.", 1442, 1467-8.

Perhaps son or grandson of John Wood M.P. Horsham 1414.

The Pardon Roll of 1452 includes John Wood of Midhurst, *alias* of London (m.22); eschr., Surrey and Sussex, 1460-1, called jun.; elector, Midhurst, 1460 "jun.", 1472 and 1478; on many Surrey comms. 1469 to 1483, including the Lancastrian comm. Oct. 1470 and the subsidy comm. Apr. 1483 (called "junior"). Pardoned 1 Dec. 1471, as late of London, jun., gent., late eschr. of Surrey and Sussex, *alias* jun. of Midhurst, esq. On 16 Nov. 1480 John Wode of Midhurst, gent., and Clement Gibryssh of the same, yeoman, were mainpernors for Thomas, prior of Shulbrede.⁸

D. c. 1485; but he was not either Sir John Wood, the Speaker (1425-84), nor John Wood (1435-85), the Master of the Ordnance, nor John Woody (1420-80) of Ifield, Sussex. With all these varying Woods, sometimes with an "e" at the

¹ Rot. Parl. vi. 201.

² On 22 Aug. 1504 the stewardship of Nassington, N'hants., lately held by Sir Guy Wolston decd., was granted to Sir David Philip (*q.v.*). On 13 Oct. 1504 a mandate was issued to the eschr. of N'hants. for an Inq. p.m. (Fine Roll, 20 Hen. VII, m.1).

³ Cat. Anc. Deeds, iv. 507.

⁴ Cal. Cl. Rolls (1429-35), 103, 169, 302.

⁵ N. and Q. (10th Series), Vol. x. pp. 95, 152.

⁴ Ex inf. J. J. Alexander.

⁶ Early Chan. Proc. 13/226.

⁸ Fine Roll, 20 Edw. IV (m.2).

end which might read "Woody", all called sen. or jun. throughout life, it is impossible to say whether the Member for Sussex in 1472-5, called senior, should be the Midhurst man. On the whole, it seems more probable that the Member for Sussex in 1472 should really be either the Speaker or John Woody.

WOOD, (Sir) JOHN (1425-84); of Molesey, Surrey; of the Exchequer; Under Treasurer 1452-5, 1482-3; Treasurer 1483-4. M.P. SUSSEX 1449-50; SURREY 1460-1; SUSSEX 1472-5; SURREY 1478, 1483 (Jan.) (SPEAKER), (? 1484).

S. and h. of John Wood, farmer of Walton-on-Thames; m. Elizabeth sis. of Margaret Michell; she survived him.

The identification of this Speaker depends on three Pardon Rolls. 19 Jan. 1458, "of London, esq., *alias* gent., *alias* of Mulsey, Surrey, *alias* late undertreasurer of England" (m.45); 1471, "late of Molesey, esq., late clerk to the Treasurer of England, *alias* s. and h. of John Wood late farmer of Walton, Surrey"; 6 May 1484, "late of Molesey, esq., *alias* late sheriff of Surrey and Sussex, *alias* late of Ryvers hall in Sussex, *alias* late sheriff of Essex and Herts., *alias* late Under-Treasurer, *alias* knight, Treasurer of England" (m.16).

Sir John Wood, therefore, is not the Master of the Ordnance, nor the keeper of the Mint, nor "elder" nor "younger", but is the Speaker and was the John Wood employed at the Exchequer 1444-5,¹ the Under Treasurer and Treasurer.² He was clerk to the Treasurer, *alias* Under Treasurer of England, from c. June 1452 to c. June 1455.³ In the 1455-6 Parlt. the Commons petitioned accusing John Wood, clerk to the Treasurer of England, of converting over £4,500 to his own use from the export of wool, exported in the King's name. Petition rejected:—*Le roi s'avisera*.² He ceased to be Under Treasurer; but he was not then removed from the bench. J.P. Surrey, 29 June 1452 to 15 Jan. 1459, 24 Dec. 1460 to 1461, 8 Apr. 1464 till death; J.P. Sussex, 13 Dec. 1453 to 16 Dec. 1460, 5 July 1461 to 7 Nov. 1470, 12 July 1480 till death—always of the quorum; on comns. 1456-65 including the Lancastrian array of Dec. 1459. Apptd. keeper of swans on Thames, 12 Apr. 1462; sheriff, Surrey and Sussex, 1475-6, 1478-9. A special comn. of *oyer et terminer* to survey the Thames, dat. 7 Dec. 1476, consisted of:—bp. of Salisbury, the Treasurer of the Household, Fowler the Attorney General (*q.v.*), Nicholas Gaynesford (*q.v.*), John Wood of Hampton Court, and 20 others.³ One may judge that he was still, and ever, at the Treasury. In 1482 he was operating jointly with Vaughan (*q.v.*) and was again Under Treasurer.⁴ Elected Speaker, 21 Jan. 1483, and kntd. at the rising of Parlt., 18 Feb. 1483. Made Treasurer of England, 17 May 1483; re-apptd., 2 July 1483.⁵ The *Dict. Nat. Biog.* calls him special friend of Richard III, and though it was another John Wood who was with Richard in the North, this may well be. He is named first on the Sussex comns.; and the strong London comn. of *oyer*, 28 Aug. 1483, begins with the dukes of Buckingham and Norf., the earls of Arundel and Kent, the lords of Abergavenny and Cobham, and then follows John Wood kntd., Treasurer of England, before all the judges. The comnrs.-general in the office of Admiralty of England, apptd. 8 Apr. 1484, were Wood the Treasurer, Brackenbury, constable of the Tower,

¹ Issue Rolls.

² *Rot. Parl.* v. 335-6.

³ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1476), 23.

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. 306; *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1482), 315.

⁵ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1483), 349, 361.

and three lawyers—Wood and Brackenbury being King's Vice-Admirals.¹ He stands first on the Surrey comm. of array, 1 May 1484.

D. 25 Oct. 1484; when Jane, aged 30, wife of Thomas Exham, and Isabel, aged 34, wife of Edward Dawtre, were his kinswomen and heirs. Lands—Surrey and Essex. In Feb. 1485 were pardoned John Michel of Willingham, Cambs., and Margaret Michel, widow, and sis. and h. of Elizabeth, late wife of John Wode, knt. (m.1). It is strange that he left no discoverable will.

This permanent official of the Treasury had had hardly any grants, and if he acquired wealth to buy Ryvers hall, Sussex, it was not by the methods of the favourites or by those of Sir Robert Strelley. It is possible that he is the John Wood who sat for Midhurst in 1467–8.

WOOD, JOHN (1430–85); of Bedstone, Salop, esq.² Master of the Ordnance 1463–70, 1471–7; keeper of the Mint 1468–85. M.P. Newcastle-on-Tyne 1467–8.

Eschr. of Salop, 1455–6. Called King's servitor, he was made master of the Ordnance for life, with 6*d.* a day and a livery of the King's squires, 21 Feb. 1463;³ porter and constable of Newcastle-on-Tyne, 26 Aug. 1464; exempted in 1467–8.⁴ As master of the Ordnance he spent £33 for stuff for the jousts at the Queen's coronation, 1465—including 200 spears and 150 tilting lances.⁵ His constablenesship of Newcastle was followed by a grant of forfeited lands in Nhd.,⁶ a comm. of *oyer* there, and his appt. as deputy butler and collr. of customs and subsidy in Newcastle³ all in 1467. In Apr. he was returned for Newcastle. In Oct. 1468, after Parlt. was dissolved, Wood, the master of the Ordnance, was made keeper of the Mint in place of Sir Thomas Montgomery.⁷ The pardon of 24 Apr. 1469 describes him as "esq., master of the Ordnance, late of Bedstone, late escheator."

From 1468 to 1485 he accounts as keeper of the Mints at London and Canterbury⁸ (during 1476–8 jointly with Thomas Bowes (*q.v.*)). The Readeption govt. replaced him for a moment by Sir John Delves, but "our servant, John Wood esq., warden of the Mint", was exempted in 1472⁹ and pardoned—*alias* master of the Ordnance, *alias* of London—in Aug. 1472. In Mar. 1474 he was joined in his constablenesship of Newcastle by the earl of Northumberland. In Nov. 1477 his long tenure of office at the Ordnance ended and the post was given to John Sturgeon (*q.v.*). He certainly held the wardenship of the Mint till 1482, and it was confirmed to him by Richard III, Feb. 1484, though the reversion thereof after Wood's death had been granted to James Haute, sq. of the body, in 1482.

He probably *d.* soon after 1485 when he ceased to account. It will be seen that only the 1469 Pardon Roll, the omission of "Knight" in Feb. 1484, and the

¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1484), 391.

² Mr. Weyman finds no other trace of him at Bedstone or in Salop. A family of Jaye probably held Bedstone at the time. As eschrs. were nearly always resident in the counties they escheated, Wood may have had to give a formal local domicile and he may have been connected with Jaye by marriage.

³ *Rot. Parl.* v. 540.

⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1467), 547.

⁵ *Err. Accts.* F. 7 Edw. IV, B. to F, 17 Edw. IV, A; *Exchq. Accts.* 294, 295.

⁶ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 97.

⁷ *Issue Rolls*, *passim*.

⁸ Writs of Privy Seal, file 802, No. 1630.

⁹ *ibid.* (1468), 112.

accounts of the Mint in 1485, distinguish John Wood M.P., warden of the Mint, from Sir John Wood, M.P., Speaker and Treasurer of England. But obviously they were two. Which, if either, was clerk of the Gt. Wardrobe 1459-60, or Usher at the receipt of the Exchq. 1462 to 1469, or victualler of Calais 1461-4,¹ may never be determined. The warden of the Mint was returned for Newcastle-on-Tyne because he was constable there.

WOOD, JOHN (1440-75); of Keele, Staffs., lawyer. M.P. Newcastle-under-Lyme 1472-5.

Probably s. of Robert Wood (pardoned 1462 as of Uttoxeter gent., *alias* late of Keele) by Isabel, widow of Thomas Dethick of Uttoxeter.² In 1467 William Lagow surrendered into his lord's hands his lands, etc., in Penkhill, Clayton and Sea-bridge, Wolstanton, Shelton and Hanley, to the use of Stephen, prior of Trentham, John Wode of Keele, John Lagow his son, and John Fenton.³ J.P. Staffs., of the quorum, 16 Nov. 1468 to 4 Dec. 1470, 4 Apr. 1473 to 12 Feb. 1474.

WOOD, RICHARD (1410-75); of Nottingham. M.P. Nottingham boro' 1453-4.

Bailiff of Nottingham 1441-2; mayor 1457-8, 1465-6.⁴ His share of the 1473 subsidy of one-tenth was 2½d.⁵

WOOD, ROBERT ATTE (1410-61); ald. of Oxford; glover or a pieman. M.P. Oxford boro' 1453-4, 1460-1.

Elector, Oxford boro', 1442; pardoned, 26 Aug. 1446, as "of Oxford, glover, *alias* yeoman" (m.27); J.P. Oxford boro' 1449 till death; ald. from 1452⁶ to Apr. 1460;⁷ mayor of Oxford, 1454, 1458, called "Attewood".⁸ No longer ald., probably dead in 1471. There was also one of the same name in Oxford in 1460, called a pieman, another a painter, and the latter a felon, Dec. 1460.⁹

WOOD, THOMAS ATTE (1415-85); of Colchester, merchant. M.P. Colchester 1450-1.

S. and h. of Stephen Attewode.

Bailiff of Colchester, 1445, 1449, 1452; pardoned, 12 Nov. 1452, as "of Colchester, merchant, *alias* gent." In 1493 John Grigges and Agnes his wife, da. and h. of Thomas Attewood, s. and h. of Stephen Attewood, sued for lands in Great Burstead, Essex.¹⁰

WOOD, THOMAS (1445-1502); of Childrey, Berks. Serjt.-at-law 1485; Justice 1495; Chief Justice C.P. 1500-2. M.P. Wallingford 1478, (? 1483 Jan., 1484). Sumnd. 1489-90, 1491-2, 1495, 1497.

Thomas Wood junior occurs as a juror at Woodstock in Nov. 1470 and at Burford in Sept. 1473.⁹ No longer junior he got an exemplification of his charters concerning Childrey, 10 Nov. 1478; J.P. Berks., of the quorum, 14 Apr. 1478 till death; on Berks. comms. from the subsidy of 1 Aug. 1483 to the subsidy of Jan. 1488, including both arrays of 1484. Apptd. King's serjeant-at-law, 30 June 1486;¹¹

¹ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

³ T. Pape, *Mediæval Newcastle-under-Lyme*, 196.

⁵ *Thoroton Soc. Trans.*, 1924, p. 73.

⁷ *Ex inf.* Dr. Salter.

⁹ *Anc. Indicts. K.B.* (*penes* A. T. Butler, Her. Coll.).

¹¹ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 478.

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, ii. 553.

⁴ Stevenson, *Rec. Nott.* ii. app.

⁶ *Munimenta Civ. Ox.* 214.

⁸ *Liber Albus*, 74, 131.

¹⁰ *Geneal. N.S.* xxv. 43.

J.P. Cornwall, Devon, Hants, Wilts., and Somerset from 1487. He and Thomas Englefield had the custody of lands of Nicholas Stuckley with the marriage of the heir, Thomas, Apr. 1489. Repeatedly on gaol delivery comns. in Reading, Winchester, Windsor and Salisbury; a feoffee of the King's will, 1496; a feoffee of Sandon, Essex, for Richard Plomer (*q.v.*).¹ He was made Justice of the Common Pleas, 24 Nov. 1495; Chief Justice of the same, 20 Oct. 1500; kntd. 1 Aug. 1501/6 Feb. 1502.

D., to judge from his comns., 1 June/17 Sept. 1502.

WOOD (WODE), WILLIAM; of Worcester? M.P. Worcester city 1449 (1).

He was an elector for Worcestershire 1449 (2). There was a John Wood who was M.P. for Worcester in 1413, but the Worcester records are lost and the name is too common.

WOOD, WILLIAM ATTE (1445-1501); of Canterbury, fuller. M.P. Canterbury 1491-2, 1495, 1497.

Pardoned, 22 Sept. 1473, as of Canterbury, fuller, *alias* late of Faversham, yeoman (m.7). He and Henry Couper, clerk, were to examine and take recognisances from William Berton at Canterbury, 30 Mar. 1497; J.P. Kent, 16 Dec. 1497 till death; comnr. of gaol delivery at Canterbury, 1498.

D. 1501, when will pr. at Canterbury, as of St. Mary Bredin, Canterbury—exors. :—Robert Boone and James Whitals.²

WOODFOLD (WODEFOLD), GILES; of Lewes. M.P. Lewes 1442, 1449 (1).

Perhaps s. of William Woodfold M.P. Lewes 1421-3. In Feb. 1434 money was owing to *William* Woodfold in Sussex; and a *Robert* Woodfold was Member for Lewes in 1447.

WOODFOLD (WODEFOLD), ROBERT; of Lewes. M.P. Lewes 1447.

Probably related to William Woodfold, M.P. for Lewes 1421, 1423, and to Giles Woodfold, M.P. Lewes 1442, 1449 (1). In 1452 Robert Woodfold was a feoffee in Sussex.

WOODWARD, EDWARD (1440-96); alderman of Oxford, clothier. M.P. Oxford boro' 1491-2.

Bailiff of Oxford 1467, alderman from 1478, mayor 1480-1, 1482-3, 1493-4;³ J.P. Oxford town, 3 Oct. 1480 till death. In 1472 a man of Thame granted a messuage and two shops in Oxford to Edward Woodward of Oxford, clothier.⁴ He lived at Pery Hall,⁵ owned the "King's Head",⁶ and the "Red Cock" in St. Peter's parish, and this alderman of Oxford had lent the prior of Bicester £9 for servants' clothing in 1492.⁷

D. 9 Oct. 1496, when Thomas, aged 27, was his s. and h.; lands—3 houses in Oxford, lands in Chalgrove and much else in St. Peter's par., in the bailly, etc.⁸ Will, dat. 20 July, pr. 29 Nov. 1496. To be bur. in St. Martins. His shop at Carfax to the town. To w. Mawde £100 and houses in Oxford for life *dum sola*.

¹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. p. 205.

³ *Liber Albus*, 131.

⁴ *ibid.* 79.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. p. 518.

² Cant. Prob. Reg., A. Accts. i. f. 154.

⁵ *ibid.* 93n.

⁶ *Visitn. Oxon.* 74.

⁸ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. 25.

Bequests to sons Richard and Thomas and das. Jane and Margaret. Mentions lands at Witney, Deddington, Chalgrove, etc. To s. Lionel all his books of law "Cyvell and Canon". Exors.:—wife, s. Thomas, and "Sir" Walter Geffrey, clerk. Overseer:—Thomas Jane, doctor (P.C.C., 3 Horne).

WOODY, JOHN (1420–80); of Ifield, Sussex, gent.; lawyer? M.P. Bramber 1467–8, called "junior".

Perhaps s. of John Woody of same, M.P. Lewes 1435; but in 1440 John and Richard Woodye were heirs of a John Wodye in Westmeston, Sussex.¹

In 1449 John was one of those founding a chantry at Horsham, and also a feoffee at Cuckfield. He was indeed so frequently a feoffee² that he may have been a lawyer. John Wody elder and yr. occur in a Sussex fine of 1449/50.³ An elector, Sussex, 1449 (1), and called "of Ifeld" 1460.⁴ The "elder" occurs as late as 1466,⁵ but "younger" of Ifeld deals with land round Horsham from 1466 onwards.⁶ In 1464/70 John Woody junior (s. of Jane da. of Jane sis. of Walter Urry) and Margaret the other da. of John at Stone sued Bartholomew Bolney (*q.v.*) and others for lands in Horsham.⁷ As junior he was under-sheriff at Southwark in 1466, and was robbed at Betchworth that same year.⁸ Pardoned, 24 Apr. 1469, "late of Ifeld junior, gent., *alias* late of Crausley (Crawley)"; and again by Warwick's govt., 22 Jan. 1471, "*alias* Wode."⁹ Called "of East Grinstead," he sold land there to Richard Lewkenor (*q.v.*) 1473;¹⁰ called "of Ifeld junior" he was pardoned outlawry 1476. And then—senior, gent., and junior, gent., are concerned with the Botiler chantry at Horsham in 1478.¹¹ On 14 Feb. 1478, as junr., he was granted the keeping of the temporalities of the bp. of Chichester.¹² The last heard of either senior or junior is in 1479 when Richard and Thomas Alfray (*q.v.*) release to John Wody and his heirs land in East Grinstead.¹³ Decidedly there were too many John Wodys, or Woods, available for Bramber in 1467.

WORSOP, JOHN (1415–74); of London, draper. Controller of Customs 1453–61. M.P. Horsham 1460–1.

In 1443 Thomas Kirkeby, grocer, sued John Worsop, draper, on a bond in London.¹⁴ He held a tenement in London 1448. Controller of customs in port of London, 4 Mar. 1453. Pardoned for illegal wool export as citizen and draper of London, 1454. Controller of subsidy of tonage and poundage in London, 20 Oct. 1456; to search the houses of the Genoa merchants, 1458; controller of great customs in London, 1 Dec. 1458. He was not reappointed in 1461, but remained "draper of London".

D. 13 May 1474, when William, aged 28, was his s. and h. Lands—Dorset and Somerset. Will of John Worsop, citizen and draper of London, dat. 8 Apr., pr. 5 Aug. 1474. To be bur. St. Marys atte Bowe, London. Mentions lands at

¹ *Sussex Feet of Fines*, 253.

² *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 63, 120.

³ *Sussex Feet of Fines*, 263.

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, v. 2.

⁵ *ibid.* iii. 352.

⁶ *ibid.* iii. 346.

⁷ *Early Chan. Proc.* 33/17.

⁸ *Anc. Indicts. K.B.* (*penes* A. T. Butler, Her. Coll.).

⁹ With sword, daggers and knives, he feloniously took six sealed boxes of Richard Colepeper's in 1466, when he is called Wody of Peasmarsh, Sussex (*Year Book* 10 *Edw. IV*, Selden Soc., 126).

¹⁰ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 59.

¹¹ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1478), 114.

¹² *Fine Roll*, 17 *Edw. IV* (m.9).

¹³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. 361.

¹⁴ *Early Chan. Proc.* 15/156.

Ingatestone, Essex. Bequests to Isabel Kendale and Jane Rykyll his das. and to Jane his w. Exors. :—Jane his w. and John Poley (P.C.C., 16 Watty's).

WORSOP, WILLIAM (1430-90); of Ipswich, esq. Lawyer. M.P. Ipswich 1459, 1463-5, 1472-5.

S. of Richard Worsop of Nottingham.¹

He was one of the two coroners who were party to the Suffolk return in 1459. In 1459 the M.P.s were to be paid 18*d.* a day if Parl. sits at Coventry or York, but 12*d.* a day if at London. In 1463 Worsop was to have 20*d.* a day if at York and 16*d.* a day if London, but his colleague Loppbam had only 12*d.* In 1472 Worsop's pay came down to 5*s.* a week and Walworth his colleague only 3*s.* 4*d.* a week.² William Worsop esq. was a feoffee of land in London with John Walworth gent. (*q.v.*);³ and in 1482 as "of Ipswich esq." he was pardoned outlawry for not appearing. As he was coroner of Suff. in 1459, and of Ipswich 1480-1,⁴ he was probably a lawyer.

WORTESLEY see WROTTESLEY.

WORTH (WOTHE), WALTER (1415-70); of Dorchester. M.P. Dorchester 1449 (1).

He was an elector for Dorchester and for Dorset in 1460.

WORTHY, JOHN, junior (1415-70); of Halstead, Essex. M.P. Totnes 1437, 1442; Maldon 1449 (1), 1450-1.

A feoffee in Essex for the Abbot of Coggeshall in 1453. An Essex elector in 1455; delivering seisin in 1459; pardoned as John Worthy of Halstead, Essex, 1465. According to the *Essex Visitation* he married Elizabeth da. and h. of John Warner of Halstead, leaving a da. and h., Elizabeth. If so, he died about 1470.

Totnes was a Zouch boro' at this time, but we think these M.P.s are one man, probably a lawyer. But John "Werthe" of Plympton esq., late of Holditch and late of Tiverton, Devon, was pardoned 1452; and Walter Worthy was mayor of Dartmouth in 1392.

WORTLEY, ROBERT (1460-1506); of Sandwich. M.P. Sandwich 1497.

Perhaps a yr. or illeg. s. of Sir Thomas Wortley of Yorks.

He was granted for life the office of bailiff of Stafford green, 6 Mar. 1484—Sir Thomas Wortley, of Chesterfield and of Yorks., being then sheriff of Staffs. Elected for Sandwich, 8 Dec. 1496.⁵

D. 1506. Will, dat. 10 Sept., pr. 12 Oct. 1506.⁶ To be bur. in St. Mary's, Sandwich, under his wife's stone. All his lands in Yorks. to his s. John Wortley, yeoman of the crown. Elizabeth Broke, his wife's da., to have 20 marks of her father's bequest. Residue to John Hobart and John Pinnock of Sandwich and they exors. Mr. Bolney (*q.v.*), of Canterbury, supervisor.⁶

WOTTON (WUTTON), ROGER (1385-1460); of Warwick. M.P. Warwick boro' 1410, 1411, 1413, 1414 (1), 1414 (2), 1419, 1422, 1425, 1442, (? 1445-6), 1447, 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1459.

¹ Bacon, *Ipswich*, 132.

⁴ Bacon, *Ipswich*, 144.

² *ibid.* 117, etc.

⁵ Boys, *Sandwich*, 408.

³ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 37.

⁶ P.C.C., 11 Adeane.

This may be one man or father and son; in Feb. 1417 a debt was owing to Roger Wutton of Warwick. He was coroner of Warwick in 1456,¹ and is called of Warwick in the 1449 (1) return.

WOTHE see WORTH.

WRANGWISH, THOMAS (1435-95); ald. of York; lawyer. M.P. York city 1472, 1483 (2), 1483 (3), 1484.²

Made free of York city, 1457;³ entered *Corpus Christi* guild, 1462; chamberlain, 1463;³ sheriff, 1466-7; master of the Merchants' guild, 1471 and 1472;³ mayor, 1476-7, 1484-5; elector, 1478. Alderman from 21 Sept. 1472/1474, when he and Richard York were paid £83 4s. for their services in the Parlt., that is at the rate of 4s. a day each.⁴ In 1478 he was paid for going to Middleham castle to confer with the Duke of Gloucester.⁵ In 1480 he rode to London "to be of the King's Counsell".⁶ He was a favourite with the Duke of Gloucester and the duke's nominee for election as mayor.⁷ Named to attend the King with sixty archers on his way to Scotland, 20 Apr. 1481.⁸ Elected to Parlt., June 1483, and rode to London to support the Duke against the Queen.⁹ In the same year he was a captain of soldiers at York, and subscribed £10 for a present to Richard III when he came there.¹⁰ As King's servant, 4 Mar. 1484, he was granted 20 marks annually out of the issue of Sheriff Hutton. He must have made peace with Henry VII for, though no longer M.P. in May 1487, he sat on comms. of gaol delivery, and of *o. et t.* General pardon, as ald. of York, 9 July 1489.

D. probably 1490, buried at St. Crux? He left s. William (common sergeant-of-the-mace, 1500), and a younger s. who was vicar of Leeds, 1500. Wife Alison.³

WRAYTON (WRATTON), PIERS (1440-1500); from Holton, Lancs.; of Westminster; Keeper of the King's beds *c.* 1471 till death; Yeoman of the Crown 1473; Keeper of Windsor castle 1485. M.P. Appleby 1478.

As groom of the wardrobe and of the King's beds, he was granted the office of water bailiff of Bristol for life, 20 July 1471, but he surrendered the grant, 18 Nov. 1478. As of Holton, Lancs., he mainperned John Cresty, 28 Nov. 1472.¹¹ Yeoman of the crown from Easter 1473, and as such, on 27 Nov. 1475, he was granted the house under the Exchequer at Westminster with a door towards the King's palace there, and near a house called "helle". On 15 Jan. 1477 he and another of the King's servants were granted the keeping of the Gatehouse of the Palace of Westminster, on the west towards King st., towards Little Woolstaple on the north, and the Sanctuary on the south. On 18 Nov. 1478 he was granted the custody of Fotheringhay castle. That his office at the wardrobe was no sinecure is shown by the accounts of 1480,¹² when he received sheets, and in 1486 he was paid £7 for things needful purchased by his own hand.¹³ On 12 Dec. 1486 he was granted for life the office of keeper of the beds and other harness in the Tower of London, *alias* the Little Wardrobe, with 6d. a day and 6d. for two boys.¹⁴ On 20 Aug. 1487 he was one of the 36 yeomen of the crown. On 18 Sept. following he was made

¹ Anc. Indicts. K.B. (*penes* A. T. Butler, Her. Coll.).

² Davies, *York Records*, 144, 181/2, 184.

³ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

⁴ Davies, *ut supra*.

⁵ *ibid.* p. 59.

⁶ *ibid.* p. 105.

⁷ *ibid.* p. 140/1.

⁸ *ibid.* p. 112.

⁹ *ibid.* p. 159.

¹⁰ *ibid.* p. 155, 168.

¹¹ Fine Roll, 21 Edw. IV, m.7.

¹² *Wardrobe Accounts of Edward V*, 140-5.

¹³ Campbell, *Materials*, i. 571.

¹⁴ *ibid.* ii. 74.

keeper of the inner ward of Windsor castle, as from 22 Aug. 1485, since when he had held the office.¹ On 18 Oct. 1491 his grant for life of office of keeping the King's beds was changed to one in survivorship with William Smith, perhaps because of increasing age—Smith, as survivor, surrendered the grant on 3 July 1521.

WRESTE, RICHARD. M.P. Chichester 1491-2.
Undiscovered.

WRIGHT, JAMES (1425-75); of London and Maldon. M.P. Maldon 1467-8.

Perhaps son of James Wright, stock-fishmonger of London.² In 1461 James Wright, citizen of London, was made free of the town of Maldon and paid 20s. therefor. Bailiff of Maldon 1465-67, 1469-72—elected to Parliament while bailiff. The Bishop of London had great interest in Maldon, which may account for the frequent connection between London and Maldon. But *cf.* also John Wright, M.P. Colchester.

WRIGHT, JOHN (1425-80); of Colchester, lawyer. M.P. Colchester 1453-4, 1472-5.

An attorney, employed by the prior of St. Botolph's, London, on the plea rolls of 1450;³ elector, Colchester, 1455; bailiff, 1464, 1468, 1470;⁴ a Colchester elector and manucaptor, 1467. In 1460/5 John s. of William Gonyeld sued John Wright of Colchester, feoffee for the archbp. of York, for the manor of Heybridge, Essex.⁵

WRIGHT, RICHARD (1405-75); of Cambridge, gent.; lawyer. M.P. Cambridge boro' 1449-50.

M. Margaret, widow of Thomas Hervey of Ely.⁶

Bailiff of Cambridge 1432, 1433, 1436; mayor 1437-8, 1439-40, 1445-6, and 1449-50 when returning himself; sworn to the peace, as of Swavesey, Cambs., in 1434; J.P. Cambridge boro' 1438-60; coroner of Cambridge in 1443; elector 1427, 1429, 1453. In 1441 Wright was receiver for Sir James Butler, earl of Ormond, in Suffolk, Essex and Herts.;⁷ on the comn. for the repair of Cambridge bridge, 1444. He was owed money in N'hants. in 1462; and pardoned outlawry as "of Fulborne, Cambs., gent." in 1466. The Readeption govt. pardoned him, 12 Feb. 1471, as "of Fulburn, Cambs., gent., *alias* of Soham-Tony, Norfolk", and the Yorkists pardoned him, 1 Oct. 1472, with the same description. He was still living 1475 as a surviving feoffee for uses in Lincs.⁸

WRITHE (WRYTHE), WILLIAM; of Wilts.; lawyer. M.P. Cricklade 1450-1.

It may be suspected that we have here the father of Sir John Writh, later Wriothesley, Garter King of Arms, 16 July 1479, who *m.* the heiress of Castlecombe, Wilts., and was ancestor of the Earls of Southampton.⁹ Garter adopted the form "Wriothesley" from a desire to acquire the aristocratic antiquity of "Wrottesley". But William Wrythe the M.P. was an attorney in Wilts. and Berks. suits, 1450.¹⁰

¹ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 74.

² *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1439), 349.

³ Plea Rolls K.B., Easter 28 Hen. VI.

⁴ Rickword, *List of Mayors, etc., of Colchester*, 13.

⁵ *Early Chan. Proc.* 27/187.

⁶ *ibid.* 11/274.

⁷ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. 335.

⁸ *Early Chan. Proc.* 58/166.

⁹ G. M. Young of Oare; and *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir John Wriothesley.

¹⁰ Plea Rolls K.B., Easter 28 Hen. VI.

WRITTLE (WRYTEL), WALTER (1425-75); of White Roding and Hallingbury, Essex. Of the Exchequer 1455-72; customer 1461-8; Clarence's servant; lawyer. M.P. Maldon 1455-6; (? 1461-2, 1463-5); ESSEX 1467-8; (? 1470-1), 1472-5. Yorkist.

S. and h. of Ralph or Robert Writtle and Elizabeth (Ramsey); *m.* (1) by 1458 Jane Hynde^r (dead 1462), da. and h. of John, stepson of Ralph Butler, lord Sudeley, Treasurer, and (2) Catherine (*d.* 1493), da. of Thomas Boston.²

Eschr., Essex, 1450-1; pardoned, 13 Nov. 1452;³ clerk of the Issues of the Exchqr., 1455-6;⁴ J.P. Essex, of the quorum, 28 Nov. 1455 (while M.P.) to 15 Nov. 1458, 14 July 1461 to 1 Dec. 1470, 14 July 1472 till death; comnr. of sewers, Essex, Feb. 1456, and on other comns. in 1473. Writtle was still employed at the Exchq. in 1460,⁴ and when the Yorkists came they made him customer and surveyor in Bristol, 12 Apr. 1461; a collr. of customs and subsidy in Sandwich,⁴ and again comnr. of sewers and of *o. & t.* In May 1462 he was receiver for Sir John Say (*q.v.*).⁴ It is probable that he was again M.P. 1461-2 and 1463-5. Pardoned, still customer of Sandwich, 20 Oct. 1468;⁵ on 22 Mar. of that year Writtle, together with Urswick, recorder of London, and John Doreward (*q.v.*), had the keeping of "Shelly's" tenement in St. Mary's, Stanyng.⁶ In that month of anarchy, Sept. 1469, while Writtle was sheriff of Essex and Herts. 1468-9, Sir John Paston wrote to "Master Writtle" asking him to continue the truce with the duke of Norfolk, who was besieging Margaret Paston in Caister.⁷ Writtle, "my lord of Clarence's man", was sent down to Caister to procure an armistice but failed to stay the Duke.⁸ Again sheriff of Essex and Herts. for the Yorkists, 11 Apr. to 9 Nov. 1471; and in 1472 he seems to be a servt. or attorney for Henry Bourchier, earl of Essex,⁹ then Treasurer.

D. 18 Apr. 1475, when John,¹⁰ aged 15, was his s. and h. Lands—Essex. Will pr. 1475.¹¹

WRONG see RONGE.

WROTHE, WILLIAM (1395-1450); of Durance in Enfield, and of Newton-Wrothe, Som. M.P. MIDDLESEX 1437, 1445-6.

S. and h. of William Wrothe of the same, M.P. Mdsx. (*d.* 1410).¹²

He lived at Durance, Mdsx.; elector, Mdsx., 1420, 1426, 1429, 1432; and was sworn to the peace in Mdsx. 1434; Collinson¹² says that he lived mostly at Newton by Bridgwater.

¹ *Ex inf.* Storey Maskelyne. ² *Visitn. Essex*, p. 622; *Geneal N.S.* iv. 202. Cath. rem. John Green and Sir Ric. Haute. ³ As of White Roding, Essex, gent. ⁴ Issue Rolls, *passim*.

⁵ Late of London esq., *alias* of Little Halingbury, Essex, *alias* late eschr. for Henry V in Essex, *alias* customer of Sandwich, *alias* late of Stanstede (m.15).

⁶ Fine Roll, 8 Edw. IV (m.8).

⁷ *Paston Letters*, ii. 366.

⁸ *ibid.* p. 372.

⁹ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, vi. 422.

¹⁰ The s. John was promptly committed to the custody of the widow Catherine, Thomas Urswick (chief Baron), Humphrey Starkey, C.J., and William Essex (*q.v.*), and the boy is described as s. of Jane da. of John s. of Elizabeth late w. of Sir Ralph Botiler (*Cal. Pat. Rolls*, 1475, 514). Observe how Treasury and Exchequer formed a family party.

¹¹ To be bur. in St. German of Bobbingworth, Essex, where Nicholas Thorles is bur. Tomb to be engraved *Hic jacent Nichus Thorles miles et Walterus Wirtyll arm.* To Catherine his w. movables and she to have the marriage of their da. Jane and the custody of s. John. Mentions also lands in Charlton by Dover. Exors.:—wife Catherine and Humphrey Starkey, gent. (the C.J.) (P.C.C., 21 Wattys). ¹² Collinson, *Somerset*, iii. 63-67.

D. shortly before 8 May 1450 when his writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschrs. of Somerset, Essex, Herts. and Middlesex;¹ buried at Bridgwater, where there was a stone bearing the date of his death and that he married a da. of John Mortimer, esq.² If so, she was the Amery who died, his widow, shortly before 5 Feb. 1451, when her writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Norfolk and Suffolk.³

In May 1456 licence was granted for John Wrothe esq. s. and h. of William Wrothe, decd., to settle Newton-Pleysey (in N. Petherton), Som., on himself and Elizabeth, da. of Sir Roger Lewkenore, with remainder to his own right heirs. Long after a Thomas Wrothe of Durance was kntd. in 1547.

WROTTESELEY, Sir WALTER (1430-73); of Wrottesley, K.G.;⁴ on Warwick's Council; lieut. of Calais; soldier. M.P. STAFFORDSHIRE ? 1460-1, ? 1461-2, ? 1463-5, ? 1470-1.

S. and h. of Hugh Wrottesley of same (1400-64) by Thomasine (1410-89) da. of Sir John Gresley of Drakelow, Derbys.; m. c. 1456 Jane, da. and h. of William Baron of Reading M.P., teller of the Exchequer, and had Richard (b. 1457) who m. Sir Edmund Dudley's da. and succeeded Sir Walter at Wrottesley, William who succeeded to his mother's lands in Berks., Walter M.P. for Calne 1491, and five das. of whom Thomasine m. William, lord Stourton, Anne m. Anthony, "lord" St. Amand, Margaret m. Sir John Scrope of Castle Combe, Wilts. His widow Jane rem. Sir Richard Darell of Littlecote, Bucks.

The Earl of Warwick made Wrottesley permanent under-sheriff of Worcestershire in 1451; with Warwick he fled from Ludford to Calais, and Thomas Burdet took his place as sheriff, 26 Nov. 1459. He returned to fight at Northampton and was made sheriff, Staffs., 7 Nov. 1460, probably while M.P. Kntd. just before 25 Mar. 1461; fought at Towton; J.P. Staffs., 8 July 1461 till death. Had grants of land in South Staffs. and Dorset, forfeited by James, earl of Wiltshire, and was engaged as King's knt. His debts to the crown as sheriff were cancelled, 28 Jan. 1463. Before 22 Nov. 1464, however, he had left the King's service for that of the Earl of Warwick—Wrottesley, Sir Edward Grey, and Sir Walter Skull (*q.v.*) were the knights of Warwick's Council. Warwick gave him also Perton, Staffs., and the commote of Aven, Glamorgan. He and his brother Henry were exempted from resumption in 1467. When Rivers ceased to be Treasurer, Warwick successfully laid claim to be a hereditary Chamberlain of the Exchequer, and he appointed Wrottesley as his deputy (the other Chamberlain was John Leynton), 30 June 1468. Pardoned, 22 July 1468. At the Exchequer he probably remained till denounced as rebel with Warwick, 25 Apr. 1470—first on the list of those still free. He fled with Warwick to France, and on the way Tiptoft took and impaled his brother Henry Wrottesley at Southampton. He returned with Warwick, had Tiptoft killed, and was made Warwick's sheriff in Glamorgan with John Throckmorton as his lieut. in the Aven commote. Then in Jan. 1471 he was sent as Warwick's lieutenant to Calais. After Tewkesbury, Wrottesley and Sir Geoffrey Gate in Calais and the bastard Faucomberg in Kent were the last Lancastrians in arms. Wrottesley sent 300 soldiers to Kent about 14 Apr. 1471. Faucomberg surrendered

¹ Fine Roll, 28 Hen. VI (m.31). ² See note ¹² on p. 973. ³ *ibid.* 29 Hen. VI (m.33).

⁴ His descendant, Major Gen. the Hon. George Wrottesley, shows (*Staffs. Colls.* VI. ii. 240-1) that he was probably made K.G. 1462/7.

10 June, and Wrottesley 6 Aug. 1471. He had his pardon, but was arrested soon after landing in England and died in the Fleet prison, 10 Apr. 1473. He was never attainted, possibly because his heir was married to Sir Edmund Dudley's daughter. Arms—gold, three piles sable, a quarter ermine.¹

As Warwick's right-hand man, as Baron's son-in-law, as chamberlain at the receipt of the Exchequer, as head of a ruling family of Staffordshire, Wrottesley had every chance of sitting in Parliament, and he probably sat for Staffordshire in 1460–1. He may well have sat in 1470–1 also, in spite of being sheriff of Glamorgan. In 1461, in 1463, certainly in 1469, he must almost inevitably have sat for Staffordshire, or for a Dorset or Berkshire boro'. He might be the Speaker of the 1470–1 Parliament; he may have been Knight of the Garter.²

WROTTESELEY (WORTSELEY), WALTER (1465–1502); of Farleigh, Somerset; cadet of Wrottesley, Staffs. M.P. Calne 1491.

Third s. of Sir Walter Wrottesley of Wrottesley, Staffs. (*q.v.*) (1430–73), by Jane (Baron);³ *m.* Jane da. of John Bodefaunt, who settled the manor of Farley, Som., upon them.⁴ His sisters, Thomasine, *m.* William, lord Stourton, and Anne *m.* Sir Anthony St. Amand, who was called Lord St. Amand; both were married in Wilts.

D. Dec. 1502; will, dat. 7 Dec., pr. 17 Dec. 1502. To be bur., St. Mark's, Bristol, next to w. Jane. Bequests to Sir Edmund Gorges knt., to Lord Stourton and "my lady his wife my sister", "to my lady my mother", to bros. Richard Wrottesley of Wrottesley, and Wm. Wrottesley of Berks. Residue to sis. Anne, lady St. Amand, and Master Thomas Tyler, who were exors.

WROUGHTON, Sir CHRISTOPHER (1455–1515); of Broad Hinton and Mildenhall, Wilts. M.P. WILTSHIRE 1495.

S. and h. of John Wroughton of same M.P. (1425–96), by Jane (Darell); *m.* Jane da. of Sir Richard Choke the justice. Issue William, Thomas, John and Richard.⁶

Kntd. at Stoke fight, 16 June 1487,⁷ but appears in the Pardon Roll of 1488 as esq. (m.28). Received licence of entry into his father's lands without proof of age, 1499; pardoned, 1 July 1509, as "of Mildenhall, Medebourne and Brodehenton, Wilts."⁸ Sheriff, Wilts., 1512–3, but never J.P.

D. 4 Aug. 1515, when William, s. of his s. William, was his h., aged 6. Lands in Wilts., Glos., Som.⁹ Wardship and marriage of William granted to Sir John Seymour, knt. of the body, 14 July 1516.¹⁰

WROUGHTON, JOHN (1425–96); of Broad Hinton, esq. M.P. WILTSHIRE 1455–6; (? 1470–1).

S. and h. of John Wroughton of same (*d.* 1450/5) by Isabel da. of Edmund Hampden of Hampden; *m.* (1) Jane da. of William Darell, by whom he had Christopher (1455–1515) (*q.v.*) and (2) Margaret Carent.¹¹

¹ *Staffs. Colls.* VI. ii. New Series. pp. 201–244.

² See note 4 on p. 974.

³ *Staffs. Colls.* VI. N.S. ii. 239.

⁴ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, vol. ii. No. 491, John Bodefaunt.

⁵ Aged 40 at his father's death (*Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, vol. i. No. 1216).

⁶ *Geneal. N.S.* xiii. 98.

⁷ Shaw, *Knights of England*, ii. 25.

⁸ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, i. 266.

⁹ *Inq. p.m.* 7 Hen. VIII, vol. 30. No. 27, etc.

¹⁰ *L. & P. Hen. VIII*, *ut supra*.

¹¹ *Visitn. Wilts.* 1565; *Geneal. N.S.* xiii. 90.

Elected for Wilts. in 1455; a comnr. for Wilts. in 1457; an apportioner of the subsidy in Wilts. 1463;¹ in 1464 he was on a jury in a suit between Thomas Tropenell (*q.v.*) and Thomas Seymour.² J.P. Wilts., 24 Nov. 1466 to 20 June 1471. On comns. in 1464, Mar. 1470 and Oct. 1470. In Oct. 1470 Tocotes, Long and Wroughton were feoffees for the bp. of Salisbury.³ He was then Lancastrian and was removed from the bench by the restored Edward. Obviously he may have been M.P. for Wilts. in 1470-1. He had a general pardon in Aug. 1471. That he lived at Broad Hinton is shown by a suit brought by Richard Draper in 1467/72 on behalf of John Wroughton of "Brodynton", Wilts.⁴ In 1482 Thomas Hampden of Hampden makes a bequest in his will to "cousin John Wroughton".⁵ In Nov. 1484 he took out a pardon "John Wroughton senior, and Margaret his wife, and Thomas their son" (m.15). When Henry VII came, he made him sheriff of Wilts. 1486-7.

D. 16 Aug. 1496, when Christopher Wroughton knt., aged 40, was his s. and h. Lands—Wilts. and Somerset.

WRY.... see WRI....

WUTTON see WOTTON.

WY.... see WI....

WYCAM see WICKHAM.

WYCHARD see WISCARD.

WYCOTYS see WHICHCOT.

WYKES see WEEKS.

WYKEHAM see WICKHAM.

WYMESWOLD (WYMONDESWOLDE), WILLIAM (1400-57); of Leicester.

M.P. Leicester boro' 1453-4.

A William Wymeswold was in the retinue of the Earl of Huntingdon at Agincourt. In Feb. 1438 he was owed 8 marks in Leics.; an elector for that county, 1442 and 1450; mayor of Leicester 1442-3, 1452-3 returning himself; steward of the fair 1446-7, 1452-3;⁶ a witness in Leics. 1452.

He must have been dead in Aug. 1458, when Robert Stevyns held land in Leics. late of William Wymeswolde.⁷ Wymeswold is in Leicestershire.

WYNDHAM, JOHN (1415-75); of Norwich and Felbrigg; ? lawyer.

M.P. NORFOLK 1439-40, 1459; Ipswich 1467-8.

Parentage unknown, but cousin to the Pastons; *m.* (1) Margery, da. of Sir Robert Clifton of Denver, Norfolk, widow of Sir Edward Hastings;⁸ and (2) Elizabeth, da. of John Redisham.⁹

He prospered by siding with the bishop and the King's Council¹⁰ against the Norwich citizens, 1441-3; enfeoffed with his wife Margery in one-third of Babingley, Norfolk, Nov. 1447; quarrelled with the Pastons, 1448;¹¹ a Norfolk

¹ Fine Roll, 3 Edw. IV.

² Tropenell Cart. ii. 69.

³ Cat. Anc. Deeds, ii. 462.

⁴ Early Chan. Proc. 46/431.

⁵ Test. Vetusta, 387.

⁶ Bateson, Leicester, pp. 448, 453.

⁷ *ibid.* 426.

⁸ Paston Letters, ii. 253.

⁹ Davy, Add. MSS. 19156 (B.M.).

¹⁰ In 1443 the King's Council thanks Mr. Weindam for the finding of rioters at Norwich.

¹¹ According to the Paston Letters John Wyndham had attacked James Gloys and called the Paston women insulting names, 19 May 1448.

elector 1449; indicted along with Tuddenham, Heydon and Prentice, Oct. 1450—to the delight of the Pastons. He himself indicted Robert Leedham of riot in 1454, and in these interminable squabbles a writ of *pone* was obtained by Thomas Howes in 1458 against John Wyndham, Thomas Daniels (*q.v.*) and òrs. for maintaining a plea begun by John Andrews (*q.v.*) against Howes.¹ With pleasure a Paston reports from London, 7 Dec. 1459 (while Wyndham was in Parlt. at Coventry), that the Lord Chancellor and Lord Treasr. had answered Wyndham, “not aldermoste to hise plesir.”² He was on the Norfolk comns. of array issued by the Lancastrians in Dec. 1459 and Feb. and Mar. 1460; but, however Lancastrian, he soon fell on his feet under the Yorkist administration. Clement Paston writes to John:—“Wyndham is come to town, and he said he would get a new master,” and Clement thought he meant to be in the King’s service, and he would have Felbridge again by Michaelmas.³ In Sept. 1461, Wyndham, Debenham and Timperley (*qq.v.*) (the Duke of Norfolk’s men) had been to see Judge Yelverton and all fell out as Clement Paston thought, for on 14 Jan. 1462 John Wyndham was pardoned.⁴ He became quite Yorkist, while the Pastons were still quietly Lancastrian.⁵ Wyndham bought Felbrigg of the trustees of Sir Simon Felbrigg. Once, in his absence, Sir John Felbrigg made a forcible entry and, dragging out Wyndham’s lady by the hair of her head, who had locked herself up in a chamber to keep possession, got seisin and retained it until Wyndham got the King’s orders to the sheriff to restore him.⁶

D. 4 June 1475; bur. in the Austin Friars, Norwich; John, aged 24, was his s. and h.;⁷ lands in Norfolk.

WYNDOUT, THOMAS (1455–1500); ald. of London, mercer. M.P. London 1497.⁸

S. of Thomas Wyndout and Basill;⁹ *m.* Katherine da. of Thomas Norlonde, alderman of London.¹⁰

Apprentice to (Sir) Henry Colet¹⁰ (*q.v.*). On Nov. 1485, Wyndout was one of those who gave security up to £100 for Sir Giles Daubeney (*q.v.*) and Bartholomew Reed, masters of the Mint. In 1493 he was admtd. as constable of the staple at Westminster. In 1496 the corpn. chose him to inspect and report on the city prisons and to wait upon the King and Council.¹¹ Sheriff, London, 1497–8; alderman, 1499–1500;¹² master of the Mercers’ co. 1499.¹¹

¹ *Paston Letters*, i. 432.

² *ibid.* i. 499.

³ *ibid.* ii. 19.

⁴ Pardon Roll, 1462—of Felbridge, Norfolk, esq., *alias* of Norwich (m.48).

⁵ One Paston wrote to another, 29 Feb. 1464:—“Wyndham is here and was at the Shire House this day, and the King’s livery about his neck” (*Paston Letters*, ii. 150).

⁶ *ibid.* ii. 253.

⁷ John Wyndham the younger got a general pardon in Mar. 1469—being then aged 18. On the Pardon Roll of 1471 the same young man is pardoned as of Todington, Norfolk, *alias* late of Norwich, gent. But he *m.* the da. of John Howard, duke of Norfolk, *c.* 1475, and was ancestor of the Earls of Egremont.

⁸ A. B. Beaven. *Ald. of London*, i. 273.

⁹ See Will.

¹⁰ A. B. Beaven. *op. cit.* ii. 167.

¹¹ Jor. 10, fos. 73, 79d.

¹² A. B. Beaven, *op. cit.* ii. 19.

D. shortly before 22 May 1500.¹ Will, dat. 17 July 1499, pr. 22 May 1500.² He left a large fortune and his da. married Sir Richard Haddon's s. and h.

YAXLEY, JOHN (1445-1505); of Yaxley-by-Mellis, Suff.; serjeant-at-law. M.P. Ipswich 1491; (? somewhere 1489).

S. and h. of Richard Harbord *alias* Yaxley, J.P., by Rose Goldwell of Kent; *m.* Elizabeth (*d.* 1532), da. of Richard Broome.³

Elector, Suff., 1467, 1478; J.P. Suff., of the quorum, 29 Nov. 1485 till death. In the Parlt. of 1489-90, Southwold, Suff., was granted a charter by the mediation of Sir Henry Heydon, (Sir) James Hobart (Att.-Genl.), Edmund Jenney (*qq.v.*) and John Yaxley, apptd. for this purpose by the council. In 1490 he was steward of alienated lands in Norf. In July 1490 the bailiffs of Ipswich certified that he was a burgess of that town, free of toll, etc.⁴ Elected for Ipswich, 7 Oct. 1491;⁵ serjeant-at-law, before 18 Aug. 1492, being probably made so while M.P.;⁶ J.P. Norf., 12 Nov. 1496 till death; comnr. to appoint collectors of subsidies for Suff., so apptd. by the Parlt. of 1503-4.⁷ He was never summoned to Parlt. as Serjt.-at-law.

D. 20 July 1505; Thomas, aged 24, was s. and h.;⁸ will, dat. Whit Mon. (12 May), pr. 8 Nov. 1505.⁹ To be bur. at Mellis; all lands to wife Elizabeth "in trust that she will live sole and pray for me and that she may better help my children"; mentions sons Anthony, Christopher, and Thomas, and das. Elizabeth, Jane, and Mary; exors. :—bro. Robert Yaxley, John Garwys, esq., and s. Anthony.

YELVERTON, JOHN (1425-80); of Rougham, Norfolk; lawyer? M.P. Old Sarum 1450-1. Lancastrian.

S. and h. apparent of Sir William Yelverton of Rougham, M.P. in 1435 and 1437, Recorder of Norwich and Justice K.B. by Jane da. of "Sir" Oliver Grose. When John was returned for Old Sarum his father was a Justice of the K.B. *M.*¹⁰ Margery da. of William Mosley (and his s. Sir William Yelverton *m.* 1477 Anne da. of John Paston, M.P. (1421-66), so ending the feud between these families); and (2) Eleanor da. of Sir Thomas Brewse, and their gt. grandson was Sir Christopher Yelverton M.P.

In 1456 John Yelverton was a feoffee for Richard Bosoun at Stanfield, Norf., but he seems to have held no office, though probably he followed his father at Gray's Inn and the law. He was sub-bailiff for Henry Heydon (*q.v.*)¹¹

¹ Fine Roll, 15 Hen. VII (m.3). Mandates to eschrs. of London, Mdsx., and Herts.

² To be bur. in chapel of St. Anne, St. Anthony's, Cordwainer st., if he dies in London; if elsewhere, in holy ground. Bequests to psh. churches of Fulham, Mdsx., and Apisden (?) beside Buntingford, Herts., where parents lie. Masses for souls of self and father Thomas, and mother Basill. £66 8s. 4d. for exhibitions to Oxford and Cambridge. Bequests to w. Kateryn. Children to have reasonable portions. Exors. :—John Wynger, grocer; Bartholomew Reed, goldsmith; aldermen John Style and Thomas Baldry, mercers and citizens of London. Overseers—Sir Reynold Bray and Sir John Shaa (*qq.v.*) (P.C.C., 4 Moone).

³ Davy, *Suff. Colls.*, B.M. Add. MSS. 19156.

⁴ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. 479.

⁵ Bacon, *Annals of Ipswich*, 163.

⁶ He is not called serjeant-at-law at the time of his election, but is called so on 18 Aug. when mentioned as a feoffee at Harleston, Norf.; *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iii. 302.

⁷ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 536.

⁸ *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 496.

⁹ P.C.C., 39 Holgrave.

¹⁰ *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, art. Sir Wm. Yelverton.

¹¹ *Select Cases on the Law Merchant* (Selden Soc.), 129.

YERBURGH, WILLIAM (1420-80); of Yarborough, Lincs. M.P. Grimsby 1450-1, (and ? 1470-1).

S. and h. of Richard Yerburgh (living 1439) by Jane da. and coh. of Robert¹ (John) Atwell of Legbourne, Lincs.; m. Isabel da. and h. of Sir John Billing.²

Elector, Lincs., 1450, when elected for Grimsby; pardoned, 8 Nov. 1452, as of Yerburgh, Lincs., gent., and again 3 Mar. 1470. He was then a follower of the Earl of Warwick, and his arrest was ordered, 25 Apr. 1470. On 26 May 1471, after Tewkesbury, he was held still "disaffected" and his arrest was ordered in Lincs. But he was pardoned, 16 Apr. 1472, as "late of Yarburgh, *alias* Yerburgh, Lincs., gent., *alias* late of London" (m.31). From this description—"late of London"—we may guess that he sat in the Readeption Parlt. He was dead 1490 leaving Richard his s. and h.³

YERMAN, JOHN (1410-70); of the Exchequer. M.P. Reigate 1453-4.

In 1434 both John and Thomas Yerman were sworn to the peace in Oxfordshire. In 1440 John Wodewyk of Wycombe sued John Yerman for lands in Wycombe.³ In 1448 John Yerman esq. and John Perpoynt were ordered to arrest wool and merchandise belonging to Godard Pulham (*q.v.*) which were on ships at Chichester and had not paid customs. In fact he was a servant of the Exchequer; in Sept. 1452 he was sent by the Treasurer on similar mission to Boston, Lynn, Ipswich and Sandwich.⁴ He remained at the Treasury under the Yorkists and was clerk of the issues of the Exchequer in June 1461 at a wage of 20 marks a year.⁵ He was joined in that office with Edward More in Nov. 1462, and probably died soon after as his name does not occur again in the Issue Rolls. Robert Lytton (*q.v.*) was clerk of the issues by 1478.

YONGE see YOUNG.

YORK, Sir RICHARD (1430-98); ald. and merchant of York; mayor of the staple of Calais; ambassador 1486, 1491. M.P. York city 1472-5, 1483 (Jan.), 1483 (Oct.), 1484, 1485-6, 1489-90.

M. (1) probably Jane, da. of Richard Mauleverer of Allerton, by whom he had Richard York and Thomas;⁶ (2) Jane (*d.* 1506), widow of John Dalton and John Whitfield (*d.* 1479), by whom he had Adam and Sir John York.⁷

He became a freeman of York by purchase in 1456; chamberlain, 1459-60; sheriff, 1465-6. On 15 Jan. 1467, being mayor of the staple, he was a guest at the installation of Archbp. Neville.⁶ He entered *Corpus Christi* guild, 1469;⁶ elected mayor, 1469-70, 1482-3 (and while so, twice elected to Parlt.); master of the Merchants' guild, 1475;⁶ alderman by 1487; elector, York city, 1478. Pardoned, Feb. 1484, as of York, merchant, exor. of John Thirsk (*q.v.*) late mayor of the staple of Calais and treasurer thereof. On 2 Jan. 1487, as mayor of the staple of Calais, he was one of the Calais officers to treat with the embassy from Maximilian,⁸ and on 20 Apr. 1491 he was sent as ambassador to treat with the

¹ *Geneal. N.S.* xxxii. 97.

³ *Early Chan. Proc.* 9/457.

⁵ Issue Roll, 1 Edw. IV, 823.

⁷ Will dat. 20 Aug. 1506. Dame Johan York, vowess, late w. of Sir Richard; to be bur. in Holy Trinity beside John Whitfield late her husband; mentions "son" Henry Mindrum (*q.v.*) and Margaret, his w. and "my daughter." Lands in Hull (*Test. Ebor.* iv. 24).

⁸ Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 77; *Foedera*, V. iii. 182.

² Burke, *Peerage*.

⁴ Issue Roll, 31 Hen. VI, 791.

⁶ *Ex inf.* W. J. Paylor, from York records.

Hanse.¹ Kntd. with Todd (*q.v.*) by Hen. VII at York, July 1487 (after the victory at Stoke); and in Nov. he was granted a £20 annuity out of Hull.

D. 25 Nov. 1498, when Richard, aged 36, was his s. and h.;² will, dat. 8 Apr., pr. 17 July 1498.³ His son John was kntd. in 1549; and his da. Margaret *m.* Bernard Frobisher, and was mother of Martin Frobisher, the Elizabethan seaman.⁴

YOUNG, (Sir) JOHN (1415–81); ald. of London, grocer; Mayor of the Staple of Calais. M.P. London 1455–6. Yorkist.

Yr. s. of Thomas Young M.P. for Bristol (*d.* 1427) by Jane widow of John Canning, and yr. bro. of Thomas Young M.P. (1410–76), the Yorkist lawyer; *m.* (1) Annys, (2) Jane—issue, John, Thomas, William and das.

Pardoned for exporting uncoketted wool, 1439, and again in 1446, as “of London, grocer,” with Agnes his wife; to be arrested, May 1450, apparently on a charge of piracy; pardoned 1452. Auditor of London 1449–51,⁵ 1465; an unsuccessful candidate for alderman in July 1451; sheriff 1455–6—elected while M.P.; again pardoned Jan. 1458; alderman, Dec. 1460 till 1481, being father of the city 1478–81; master of the Grocers’ Co., 1461, 1470–1, 1476–7; mayor of London, 1466–7 (“*menne callyd hym the good Mayre*”).⁶ He was made controller of customs in Bristol, 25 Nov. 1458;⁷ pardoned all offences against the statute of 8 and 9 Henry VI, Sept. 1459; surety for his bro. Thomas Young M.P. when finally released from the Tower, 1459.⁸ He was one of the deputation to urge the Earls not to enter the city, May/June 1460, and apptd. by the Common Council on to a committee to promote the interests of the city in the coming Parlt.⁹ With other officials of the previous reign he was pardoned, 10 Feb. 1462, but only as exor. of the will of William Venour, late kpr. of the Flete prison.¹⁰ Quarrelled with Sir John Crosby (*q.v.*) 1465–6.¹¹ In 1468 and 1469 he was again pardoned with the added *alias* “of Cheshunt, Herts.” (*m.* 1). He had bought and settled at Cheshunt.

Like his bros. he was a consistent Yorkist; kntd., May 1471, for his defence of the city against the bastard Faucomberg, and pardoned.¹² In Mar. 1472 he went with a comn. to negotiate with Burgundy;¹³ mayor of the Staple in Calais, May 1476, and still in Calais, June 1478,¹⁴ though in Dec. 1477 he was an elector in

¹ *Foedera*, V. iv. 29.

² *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII*, ii. No. 139.

³ *Test. Ebor.* iv. pp. 134–7. Cit. and ald. To be bur. in St. John Evangelist, Ousebridge. To w. Jane tenements in Hull. Sons, Richard, Master Christopher D. L., Thomas, William and John; bastard sons George and Giles. Exors. :—Bp. of Carlisle, Reginald Bray knt., Master Christopher York, sons Richard and William. It must be his s. Richard of whom Davies (*York Records*, 125) says, “died 1508, buried at St. John’s Michelgate, York. Glass in east window displays kneeling effigy of Sir Richard York in his surcoat and spurs. Founded chantry there. Twice married.”

⁴ See note ⁶ on p. 979.

⁵ In 1451 he was apptd. by the Common Council to levy and use a large sum for the defence of Calais; and he was treasurer of some money collected for the King in 1453 (*Jor.* 5, fos. 58d, 100).

⁶ *Gregory’s Chronicle*—Camden Soc. 1876—p. 233.

⁷ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1458), 459.

⁸ M. I. Peake, thesis on London and the Wars of the Roses, p. 106 n. 1—cited by Miss Jay.

⁹ *Jor.* 6, fos. 238, 272.

¹⁰ In 1465/70 he sued the steward of the Marshalsea for a recognisance falsely alleged to have been entered into by Young for the appearance of Elizabeth widow of ald. Thomas Canynges (his half-bro.).

¹¹ *Jor.* 7, fos. 108, 114.

¹² Pardon Roll, 1471/2, “citizen and grocer of London, *alias* alderman, *alias* late of Bristol, merchant—late sheriff, late mayor, late executor of the will of Robert White, *alias* late of Cheshunt, Herts., knight.”

¹³ *Foedera*, V. iii. 14.

¹⁴ *Cal. Pat. Rolls* (1478), 100.

London. On 9 Dec. 1478 he was made Justice for the Almayn merchts.;¹ exempted from all service on account of infirmity, Feb. 1481. In June 1481 he founded a chantry at Chipping Norton, Oxon., to pray for Thomas and John Young and Isabel his wife.

D. 27 Nov. 1481, when John, aged 30, was his s. and h.; will dat. 8 Nov. 1481.²

YOUNG, JOHN (1425-83); of Rye. M.P. Hastings 1467-8; Rye 1478, 1484.³

Common Clerk of Rye, 1455-61; in 1474 he paid 8*d.* for a house near the churchyard; a jurat of Rye 1452-82;⁴ treasurer 1455-6. He is probably the M.P. for Hastings and for Rye, and son of a John Young who occurs in the Hastings Lathe Court Rolls, 1436 and 1443.⁵ In 1476 Rye corpn. spent money on Master Warner and John Young what time the said Master Warner was there.⁶

YOUNG, JOHN (1435-90); of Guildford, gent. M.P. Guildford 1467-8.

Perhaps s. of William Young, mayor of Guildford in 1448. There was pardoned, 1484, John Yong of Guildford, Surrey, gent., exor. of will of John Bouchier knt., lord Berners (*d.* 1474), constable of Windsor castle. Note again the close connection between Guildford and Windsor.

YOUNG (YONGE), (Sir) THOMAS (1415-77); of Shirehampton next Bristol. Serjeant-at-law and Judge. M.P. Bristol 1435, 1437, 1439-40, 1442, 1445-6, 1447, 1449 (1), 1449-50, 1450-51, 1455-6; GLOUCESTERSHIRE 1460-1, (and ? 1461-2, 1463-5). Sumnd. 1467-8, 1469, 1470-1. Yorkist.

Elder bro. of Sir John Young M.P. (1415-81), and elder s. of Thomas Young M.P. Bristol 1415 (*d.* 1427) by Jane, widow of John Canning of Bristol and da. of — Wotton—half-bro. therefore of the Cannings (*qq.v.*); *m.* Jane.

Educated at the Middle Temple; exempted from being serjt.-at-law, Oct. 1442; counsel for Exeter city, also attorney for Sir John Talbot, earl of Shrewsbury, 1447; he witnessed a deed for the Duke of York at Bury, Mar. 1449; and when the Duke went over to Ireland he made Young his attorney in England.⁷

Of course Young was Yorkist in the 1449-50 Parlt., as in that of 1450-1; and in June 1451 he presented the Commons' petition that York should be recognised as heir to the Throne; on 11 June 1451 he was committed therefor to the Tower.⁸

¹ *Letter Book L.* 161.

² To be bur. in Paternoster church, *alias* Whittington's college, near his wife Anneys. All children have been provided for save William the youngest, now apprenticed. Mentions his sons Sir Thomas, John, and das. Lady Parr, Molineux and Bunge. Residue to Dame Jane his wife. Lands at Enfield, Mdsx., and Cheshunt, Herts. Exors. (each to have £10):—Jane his w., Walter Devereux, lord Ferrers, Mr. Richard Martin, archdeacon of London, and Humphrey Starkey, serjeant-at-law and recorder of London. Supervisor, the Archbp. of York, Chancellor of England (P.C.C., 4 Logge).

³ *Item*, at the same time (Xmas. 1483) chosen to be burgesses to the Parlt.—Adam Oxenbridge and John Yonge (Rye Chamberlain's Accts., ii. f. 38).

⁴ L. Vidler, *Rye*, pp. 163, 39, 41; Rye Chamberlain's Accts. *passim*.

⁵ *Sussex Rec. Soc.* xxxvii. pp. 25, 139.

⁶ *Hist. MSS. Comn.* v. Rye, p. 476.

⁷ In 1449 the Rye corpn. went to the expense of 2*s.* 6*d.* for three felt caps given to "Young of Bristol and to Lacon and Elam, that they might the sooner be friends to us and the franchise of Tenterden" (*Hist. MSS. Com.* v. 491).

⁸ By an unfortunate slip the *Dict. Nat. Biog.* places in June 1450 his presentation of the famous petition.

How long he remained in the Tower is not clear. The *Dict. Nat. Biog.* says he was released in Apr. 1452. He certainly appears on the 1452 Pardon Roll (m.34)—Thomas Young of Bristol, gent., late of Shirehampton, near Bristol, *alias* late of London—but so many people appear on the pardon rolls who were not, and never intended to be in the Tower of London, that it is impossible to take this date as having any relation to his release from custody. We may take it that he was at least free by that date and possibly much earlier.

He was on two dozen comms. in Bristol between 1440 and 1460—also in Wilts., Wales, Somerset and Glos. J.P. Glos., of the quorum, 12 Apr. 1451 to 12 May 1474 (not even removed when he was lodged in the Tower), and 5 May 1475 till death. J.P. Wilts., 28 Jan. to Nov. 1458, and 24 Nov. 1466 to 20 June 1471. He was returned again to Parlt. for Bristol in 1455 (not in 1453) and petitioned for compensation for having been sent to the Tower; and this Yorkist Parlt. granted his petition at once. So marked was his success that in Jan. 1456 Sir John Fastolf writes advising Paston that they should try to recover the goods of the Duke of Bedford by Act of Parlt., and to consult with Young and other such of the civil law.¹ He was again “pardoned” while sitting at Westminster, Mar. 1456, as “late of London, gent.,” and in Jan. 1458 as “of Bristol and late of Shirehampton, Glos.”

He and Fortescue C.J. founded a chantry in Bristol, May 1460; and elector of Gloucester town when he sat for the county, Sept. 1460. The new administration repaid his loans and made him King’s serjeant, 1461; recorder of Bristol and King’s Serjeant-at-law, 8 Nov. 1463. He ceased to be recorder of Bristol when he was made Justice of the Common Pleas, 4 Nov. 1467;² J.P. also for Devon, Cornwall, Som., Dorset, Hants, and Wilts., 1463; but he supported the Readeption government and was removed from all these comms. and from his Justiceship of the Common Pleas in 1471. His troubles were not, however, serious, for Young of Bristol was exempted in the Parlt. of 1473 from the Act of Resumption and described as “our well-beloved Thomas Young, late one of the Justice of the Common Bench”, and he retained his yearly tun of wine from Bristol.³ On 29 Apr. 1475 he was re-apptd. Justice, this time of the King’s Bench at the same salary, and had a general pardon for all offences. He was probably kntd. at the same time.

D. 3 May 1477,⁴ when Thomas, aged 30, was his s. and h. Lands—North Wraxall, Wilts., and Easton, Som.⁵

This Yorkist Parliamentary lawyer probably sat in every Parlt., save two, for 42 years—28 years in the Commons, 14 with the Lords. The two Parlt. he missed did not suit his principles. We know more of Sir Thomas More and of Sir Reginald Bray, but these three may well match for conscience, character, consistency and courage, perhaps even for culture, with any trinity of their successors.

¹ *Paston Letters*, ii. 540.

³ *Rot. Parl.* vi. 82.

⁴ The *Dict. Nat. Biog.* says that he died in 1476 (which cannot be correct), and that he is buried in Christchurch, London.

⁵ Comm. to prove his will granted to Nic. Pytts, clerk, 27 June 1477, Lambeth (Bourchier 546). His house was in Marsh st., Bristol (Bristol Wills, 160).

² With robes and 110 marks a year.

YOUNG, Sir WILLIAM (1440-1505); of Caynton, lawyer. M.P. SALOP 1478.

S. and h. of Philip Young of the same; *m.* Margaret, da. of Nicholas Eyton of Eyton (*q.v.*).¹

He was kntd. between 1460 and 1472, when on 19 Feb. of that year he is described as kn. of "Keynton". J.P. Salop, of the quorum, from 8 Nov. 1473 to 21 Aug. 1475 and again from 17 Nov. 1485 until 12 Oct. 1496. The Shrewsbury bailiff's accounts for 1478 mark a payment for wine given to Sir William Young kn. and two other gentlemen of the Lord Prince (Prince of Wales).² Mr. Weyman says he died in 1495,³ which agrees well enough with his comns. as J.P. But on 28 Apr. 1505 a writ *diem clausit* was issued to the eschr. of Salop for Sir William Young. There is no trace of any inquest in *Cal. Inq. Hen. VII.*

YOUNG (YONGE), WILLIAM (1455-1500); probably of Charnes, Staffs. M.P. Newcastle-under-Lyme 1478.

Perhaps second s. of John Young of Charnes, mention of whom occurs in 1473,⁴ by Margaret who was living, probably a widow, in 1475.⁵ Charnes is about 8 miles from Newcastle. It was his elder bro., John, who was lord of Charnes in 1478 and 1488.

YOUNG, WILLIAM (1470-1531); of Brillys in Wittenham, Berks.; lawyer. M.P. Southwark 1491-2.

Probably not the customer and kpr. of the Records at Calais 1472-1515.⁶

William Young, gent., was attorney for the dean of the chapel of St. Nicholas in Wallingford, 1508. Eschr. for Berks. and Oxon., 1508 and 1513-4. Sat on various Berks. comns. 1507-9; J.P. Berks., 20 Dec. 1510 till death. On 23 Aug. 1513 he was apptd. feodary of lands held in chief in Oxon. and Berks., *i.e.* eschr. as above.

D. 12 May 1531, when Roger was s. and h., aged 18. Lands in Oxon. and Berks. He held Brillys of the Crown by castle guard at Windsor, and other lands of the honours of Wallingford and Woodstock.⁷

YOUNG, WILLIAM; of Lostwithiel. M.P. Liskeard 1491-2.

On 4 June 1496 William Young witnessed a deed at Lostwithiel.⁸

ZOUCH, Hon. Sir JOHN (1380-1446); of Kirklington.⁹ M.P. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 1407, 1413 (2), 1419, 1422, 1442.

Yr. s. of William, lord Zouch (1342-96); *m.* Margaret (*d.* 1451), da. and coh. of John Burgh of Kirklington.¹⁰

Kntd. by 1407; comnr., Notts., 1412-42; sheriff, Notts. and Derbys., 15 Jan. to Nov. 1426; sworn to the peace in Notts., 1434; pardoned, 1437, with his wife Margaret (*m.* 24), and again 1446 as "late" of Kirklington, Notts. (*m.* 22). Will dat. 9 Sept. 1445—lands to his wife Margaret for life. His da. and h. Elizabeth *m.* Sir Nicholas Bowett of Ripingale, Notts.¹⁰

¹ Weyman, *M.P.s for Shropshire*, p. 89.

² *ibid.* p. 90.

³ *ibid.* p. 90.

⁴ *Staffs. Cols.* 1914, 27.

⁵ *ibid.* iv. N.S. 201.

⁶ *L. & P. Hen. VIII.* i. 3595; Campbell, *Materials*, ii. 130, 508.

⁷ *Inq. p.m.*, 23 Hen. VIII, Nos. 52/108 and 109, No. 802/483.

⁸ *Cat. Anc. Deeds*, iv. 540.

⁹ He is to be distinguished from John le Zouche, esq., of Wakerley, N'hants., who flourished in that county and in Lincs., 1440-70.

¹⁰ *Ex inf.* C. Constable.

ZOUCH, Hon. (Sir) WILLIAM (1429^r-68); of Harringworth. (Lord Zouch 1467.) M.P. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 1455-6. Sumnd. 1467-8. Lancastrian.

S. and h. of William, lord Zouch of Harringworth (1402-62) by Alice, da. of Richard, lord Seymour; *m.* Katherine da. and coh. of Rowland Lenthall.

J.P. Rutland, 12 Apr. 1446 onwards; J.P. N'hants., 5 May 1448 till death. On comns. from 1449; pardoned during his father's lifetime, 12 Mar. 1462, as "junior, late of Harringworth, *alias* late of Castle Cary, Som., *alias* of Lovellys Mersshe, *alias* son and heir of William, lord Zouch" (m.32). He had licence to enter freely on his lands 29 Jan. 1463; and he was kntd. by 12 Apr. 1466, probably at Queen Elizabeth's coronation. He was sumnd. to Parlt. 28 Feb. 1467, but not in Dec. 1462, although his father was then dead.

D. 15 Jan. 1468, when John, aged 8, was his s. and h. Lands in 14 counties. Will, dat. 12 Jan. 1468, directs his burial at Harringworth.²

¹ At his father's death in Oct. 1462, he was called "aged 30 + " but that may well be 38, and it is improbable that he was born later than 1429.

² *Comp. Peer.* (G.E.C.), U-Z, p. 224.

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